

# **IEC ACEA GUIDE**

## **Securing the credibility of IEC publications containing environmentally relevant provisions**

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# About ACEA

- **Advisory Committee on Environmental Aspects**
- ACEA advises the SMB (Strategic Management Board) on environmental matters
- ACEA helps to ensure that IEC standards developers take environmental protection concerns into account in their standards
- ACEA provides a forum for the discussion of aspects and issues related to environment amongst IEC committees (TCs, SCs and SyCs)
- ACEA writes Guides (not standards, which is the role of IEC committees)
- ACEA confers horizontal functions for environmental aspects to committees in accordance with IEC Guide 108









**NEW!**  
**Guide under  
preparation**



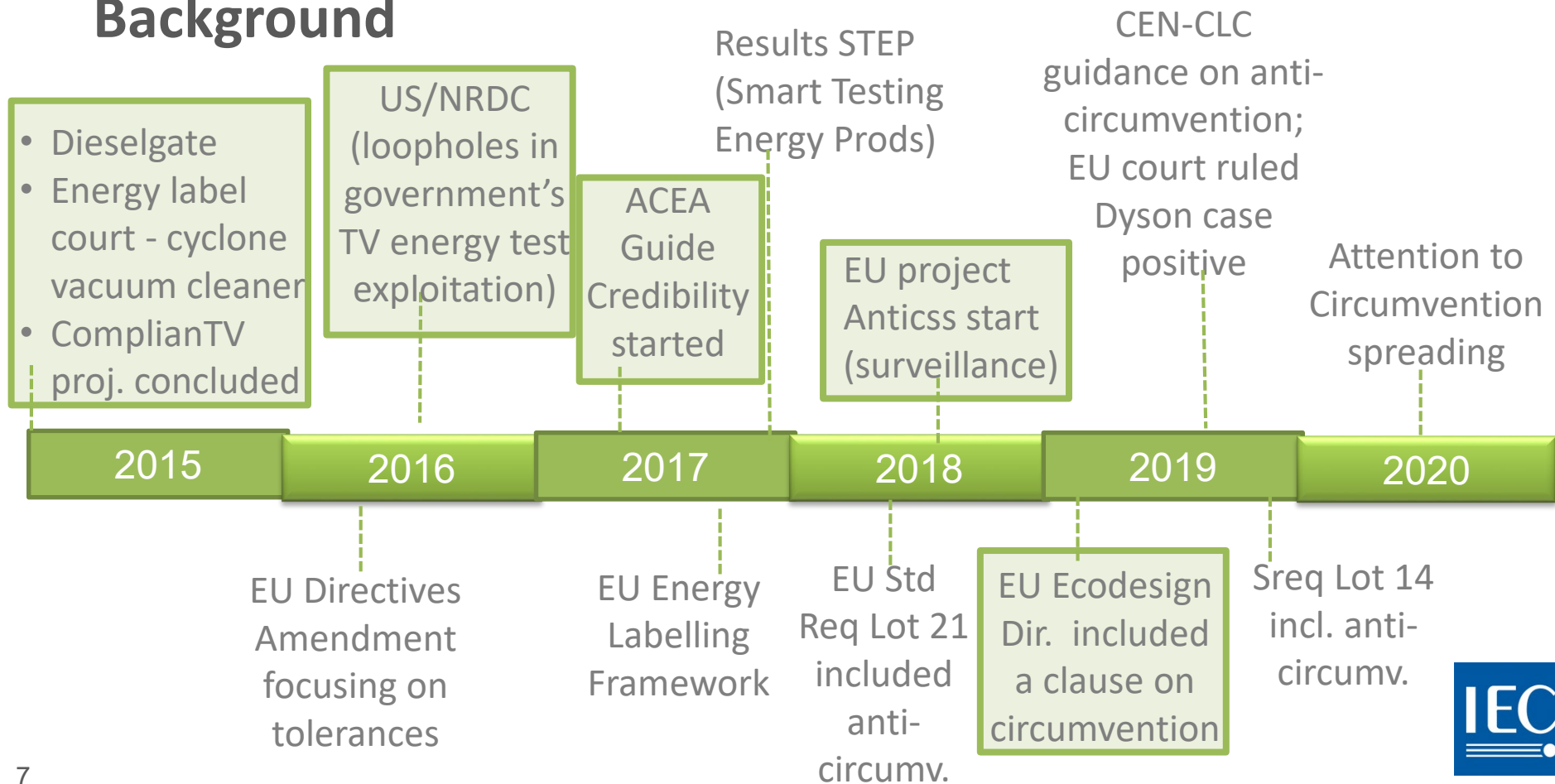


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# Background



# The Anticss project

**ANTICSS – Anti-Circumvention of  
Standards for better Market Surveillance**



- EU Horizon 2020 project
- 19 Members:

Research  
Organizations

National Energy  
Authorities

Market Surveillance  
Authorities

NGOs

Independent Test  
Laboratories

## Reported circumvention cases analysed by Anticss

Product group	Reported cases of circumvention	Reported jeopardy effects
ENER 5 Televisions	✓	✓
ENER 14 Domestic dishwashers	✓	✓
ENER 22 Domestic ovens	✓	✓
ENER 16 Household tumble driers	✓	--
ENER 20 Solid fuel local space heaters (SFLSP)	✓	--
ENER 1 Space heaters and combination heaters	--	✓
ENER 10 Room air conditioning	--	✓
ENER 11 Electric motors	--	✓
ENER 13 Domestic refrigerators and freezers	--	✓
ENER 14 Domestic washing machines	--	✓
ENER 17 Vacuum cleaners	--	✓
ENTR 6 Air-conditioning and ventilation systems	--	✓

# Anticss (cont.)

some non-conformities identified. Examples:

## 10 product groups tested within the Anticss project

Space heaters

Televisions

Room air conditioning

Domestic refrigerators

Domestic freezers, refrigerators-freezers

Domestic dishwashers

Domestic washing machines

Household tumble driers

Solid fuel local space heaters

Domestic ovens

DISHWASHERS (case DISH3) – results of ANTICSS testing	Declared	Standard test results	ANTICSS test results	Deviation Std. test vs. declared
Drying Performance Index	1,08*	0,85	0,81	-22,0%
Specific Water Consumption (l per ps)	0,64	0,68	0,91	+6,3%
Cleaning Performance Index	>1,12	1,04	1,03	-8,0%
Standard place settings	16	16	12	--

→ Circumvention;

\*) Minimum requirement by law

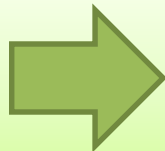
REFRIGERATING (case COLD3) – results of ANTICSS testing	Declared	Standard test results	ANTICSS test results	Deviation Declared vs. Anticss
Energy Consumption (kWh/year)	149	169	186	+24,8%
Energy Efficiency Index	18,0	20,3	22,4	+24,4%
Energy Efficiency Class	A+++	A+++	A++	1 class

→ Borderline to circumvention (loophole in standard)



# Testing standards – opportunities and challenges

Testing standards influence consumer decisions



Key to addressing representativeness

Testing standards influence industry competitiveness



Imperative to addressing also circumvention

Testing standards can affect energy savings and other environmental performance aspects



Important to optimizing the environmental impact of the product including material efficiency

# The motivation to write this Guide

- Maintain/regain the trust of IEC environmental-relevant test standards
- Technology changes and changes in user habits requires regular updates of test methods to ensure representativeness
- Products integrate increasingly more functions requiring clearer boundary settings in respect to product-system
- More attention to the risk for circumvention in our standards is needed

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# The «Credibility Guide»

- Title: «Guide to securing the credibility of IEC publications containing environmentally relevant provisions»
- *Credibility Guide* for easy reference



# The Credibility Guide – Scope

## Applicable to:

- IEC publications that contain environmentally relevant test provisions
- intended for the writers of IEC publications (IS, TS, ...)
- normatively referenced document in IEC Supplement (compulsory compliance by IEC committees)

## Excluded:

- environmentally relevant provisions not assessed by tests (e.g. those assessed by inspection)

Guide: document published by ISO or IEC giving rules, orientation, advice or recommendations relating to international standardization [ISO/IEC Dir. Part 2:2018, 3.1.7]

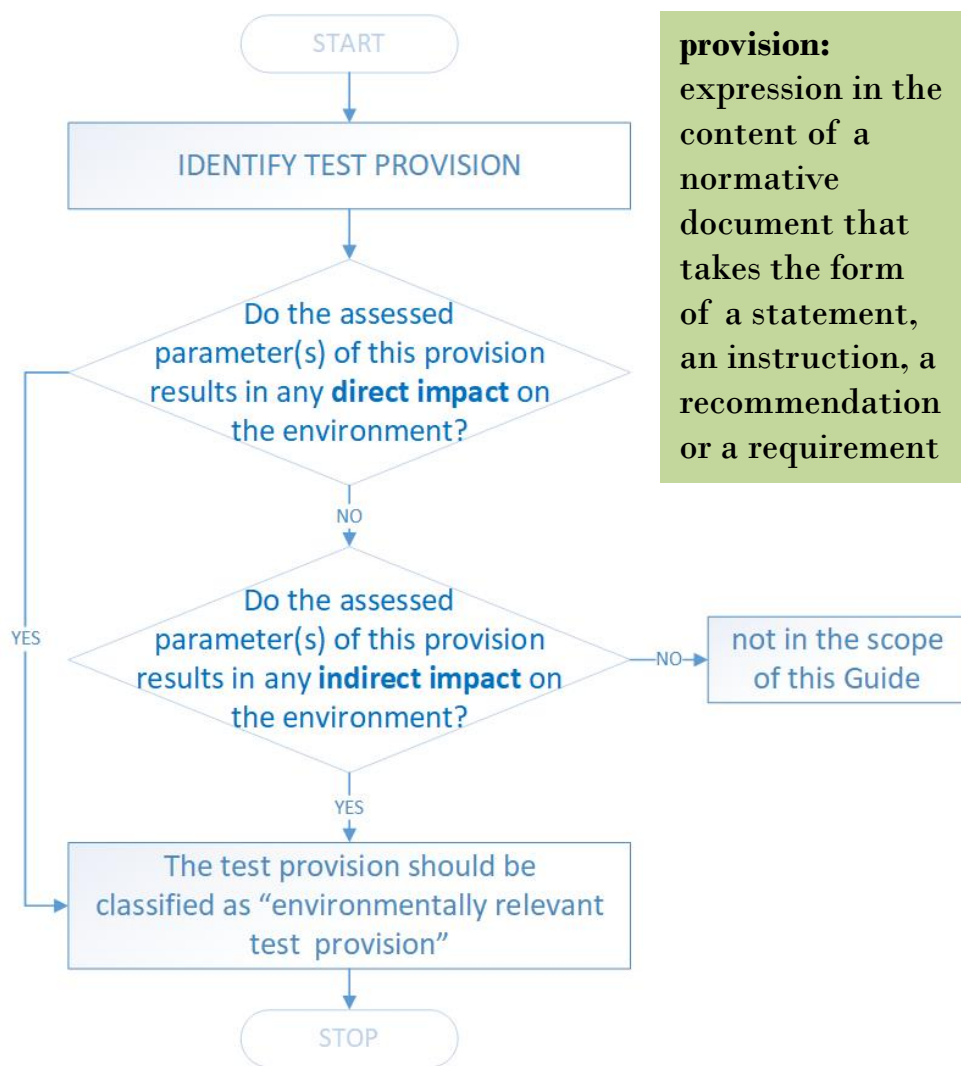


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# Environmentally relevant provisions

- Are provisions that address environmental issues (impacts)
- Environmental issues can occur due to:
  - the use of resources (e.g. energy, water and materials)
  - emissions to air, water and soil, having an adverse impact on the environment
- They can pose direct or indirect impacts on the environment:
  - Direct impact by e.g. emissions such as greenhouse gases to land, water or air during manufacture, use, or waste phases (e.g. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by a fossil fuel car)
  - indirect impact on the environment due to the consumption of energy or other resources (e.g. electric car)



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# The principles of credibility

- Representativeness
- Repeatability
- Reproducibility
- Accuracy of the measurement
- Cost
- Anti-circumvention
- Periodic review and timely maintenance

# Principles – Representativeness

- Representativeness focuses on a qualitative assessment of the degree to which the provision reflects the true population of interest
- Includes considerations on geographical location, usage period and technology coverage
- Includes changes in product technologies, measurement equipment, measurement techniques and end-user expectations



# Principles – Repeatability, Reproducibility, Accuracy and Cost

- Repeatability, reproducibility, and accuracy are the classic measurement principles
- Cost refers to cost of equipment and routine calibration, materials, time and manpower needed for determining conformity with the IEC publication

# Defining circumvention

## circumvention

activity that results in an advantageous and invalid outcome to an assessment

Note 1 to entry: The lack of validity in the assessment outcome could be due to an intentional or an unintentional act, either of which circumvent the provisions of a standard, a policy or legislation.

Note 2 to entry: The assessment is presumed to be made to a goods, service or system. Consequently, if the assessment is deemed to be advantageous, it benefits the provider of the goods, service or system.



# Principles – Anti-circumvention

## Anti-circumvention:

- Targets the obstruction of circumvention by openly addressing and minimizing risks of misusing test procedures
- Foreseeing and avoiding the possibility for circumvention should be integrated when designing a test method

# Principles – Periodic review and timely maintenance

Regular review and updates of test cases and test methods to address:

- technology advancements
- functional integrations
- changes in user expectations and practical use

Review cycles (stability dates) should be chosen depending on:

- speed of technology change
- usage of new technologies by the users
- change in user habits and use conditions
- change in regulatory and market requirements

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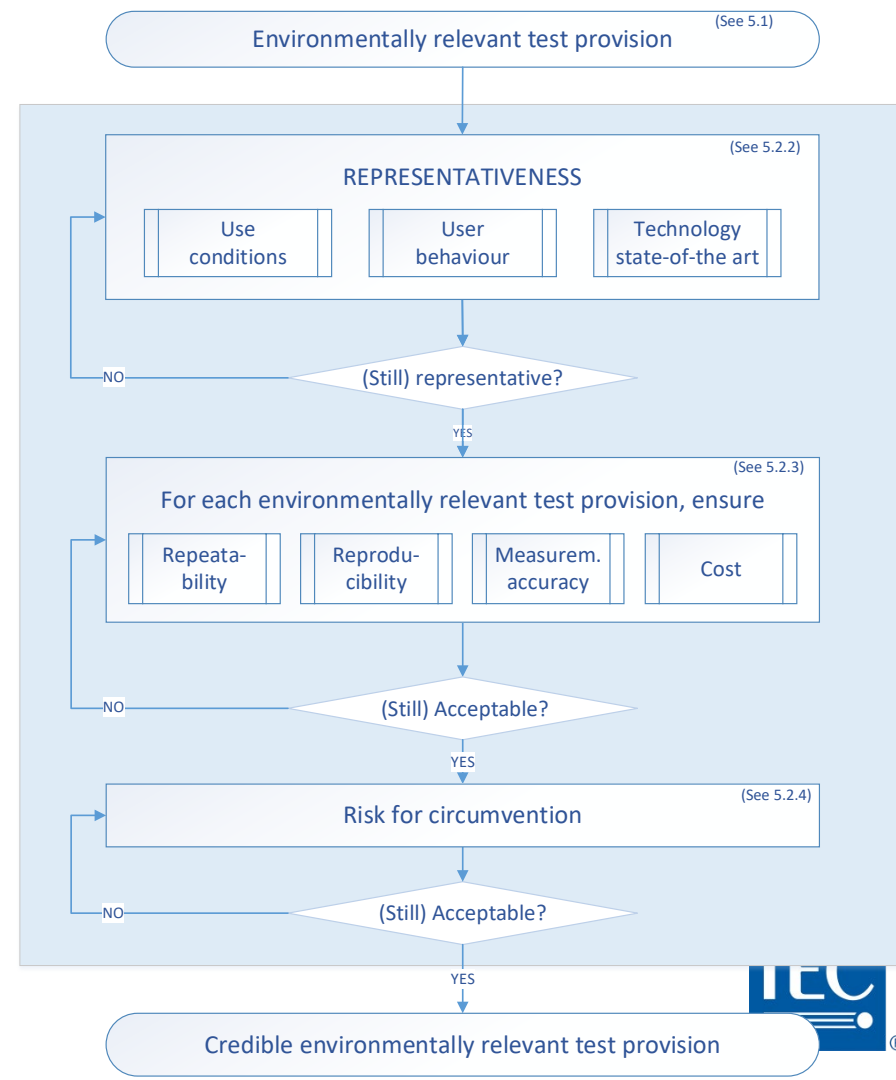
# Drafting credible environmentally relevant provisions

**First step** is to assess representativeness

- Associated use conditions
- Foreseeable user behaviour
- Status of technology

**Next step** is to look into traditional measurement principles and economic and operational associated costs

**Last** is to assess the risk for circumvention and its mitigation



# Additional guidance on real-life representativeness

- Identification of product functions and interaction with inputs and outputs
- Usage profile to reflect real usage by the end-user
- User behaviour in relation to the assessed use case scenario
- Operating conditions used to reflect expected use conditions
- Ambient test conditions reflect the typical usage conditions
- Relevant regulatory requirements establishing definitions, thresholds and anti-circumvention provisions

# Minimising the risk of circumvention

- Providing clear provisions and test objectives
- Checking and preventing that changes in settings of the test provision would result in overly (dis-)advantageous changes in the test result
- Assessing the possibility for hardware or software to be misused (defeat mechanisms)
- Repeat the above periodically to limit the risk of circumvention

# Outlook and next steps developing this Guide



## PREPARATORY STAGE

- WD circulated to all IEC committees (AC/28/2020)
- We encourage committees to provide comments on the Guide (**by 16 Oct 2020**)

## COMMITTEE DRAFT AND ENQUIRY STAGES

- CD (Committee Draft stage) will be circulated to the SMB for vote and comments, to approve its advancement to the enquiry stage and for it to be normatively referenced in the IEC Supplements (compulsory to IEC committees) (Q1 2021)
- CDV (Enquiry stage) (via SMB Secretariat) of English and French translation of the Guide circulated to NCs for a 12-week voting period
- Final step is the publication of the Guide

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## **Practical cases:**

**Case 1 from TC 100 / TVs**  
**Andreas Schneider**

# Practical case 1: TC 100 'Audio, video and multimedia systems and equipment'

## IEC 62087 series - Determination of power consumption

- TVs have significantly improved in video signal processing, display of luminance levels and tone gradations
- TV on-mode power consumption test signals remained unchanged since 2008 (IEC 62087 ED2), 2 maintenance cycles followed with different focus
- NGO tests and research projects conducted 2015 – 2017 showed that on-mode power consumption of some TVs significantly differ between displaying real-life content and when tested with the IEC test signal loop

### IEC 62087 series

Audio, video, and related equipment - Determination of power consumption

**IEC 62087-1:2015 ED1** Part 1: General

**IEC 62087-2:2015 ED1** Part 2: Signals and media

**IEC 62087-3:2015 ED1** Part 3: Television sets

IEC 62087-4:2015 ED1 Part 4: Video recording equipment

IEC 62087-5:2015 ED1 Part 5: Set-top-boxes (STB)

IEC 62087-6:2015 ED1 Part 6: Audio equipment

IEC 62087-7:2018 ED1 Part 7: Computer monitors

### IEC/TC100/TA19/MT62087

- 2018-04: PT100-15 to investigate power consumption of high dynamic range TVs (IEC/TR 63274)
- 2019-05: MT62087 tasked to revise TV test procedure affecting part 1 – 3 (ED2)



# Practical case 1: TC 100 'Audio, video and multimedia systems and equipment'

## TC100/TA19/MT62087 – Tasks to improve TV testing

- HDR (High Dynamic Range) video affecting on-mode power consumption of TVs
  - Ultrahigh definition (UHD) / 4k resolution TVs became mainstream
  - Motion Dynamic Dimming (MDD) function of some TVs was found to respond to frequent scene cuts of the IEC standard dynamic range (SDR) test signal more favourably compared to real-world TV content
  - Automatic brightness control (ABC) settings in the test method are not representative of typical home ambient lighting anymore and cannot quantify energy savings provided by a TV's ABC feature
  - Smart TVs require network connection
- ✓ → HDR video test signals in main HDR formats with new content & scene length mix, amended test procedure.
  - ✓ → HD and UHD test signals in HDR.
  - ✓ → MDD to be switched off during test.
  - ⌚ → Alignment of SDR & HDR video test loop deferred.
  - ✓ → Dynamic ABC test signals introduced.
  - ✓ → LED ambient lighting for test.
  - ⌚ → Continue offline testing, pending investigations on LAN & WLAN traffic effects on power consumption

# Practical case 1: TC 100 'Audio, video and multimedia systems and equipment'

## Challenges & conclusions

### Multiple / competing technologies & formats gain market relevance

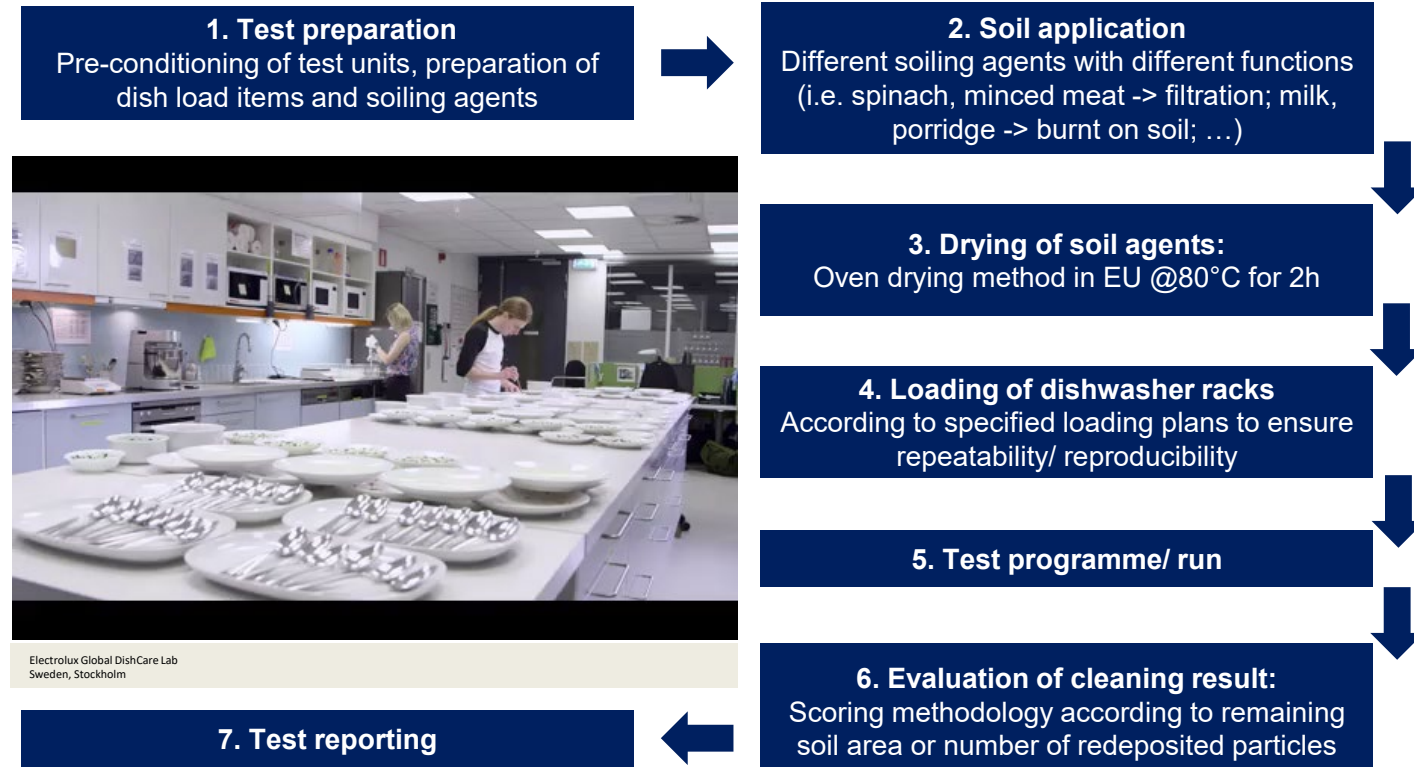
- ⇒ Need to continuously research influence of emerging and new product technologies (device & system level, codecs) on test provision
- ⇒ Consider function over device boundaries to determine aspects to be tested
- ⇒ More complex test procedures

### Ensure representativeness of test cases while maintaining classic measurement system requirements

- ⇒ Timely develop / amend test methods to new technologies and changes in use
- ⇒ Take reasonable development steps
- ⇒ Continuous review with changing focus – shortened stability periods
- ⇒ Potential loss of backwards compatibility of test results
- ⇒ Secure expertise & resources

**Practical cases:**  
**Case 2 from TC 59 / Dishwasher**  
**Anna Wendker / Paul Richter**

# General procedure for cleaning performance tests



## **1) Introduction of the CCD (combined cleaning & drying) procedure**

- IEC 60436:2004 specified single cleaning and drying test to minimize test burden
  - Cleaning performance, energy consumption and programme time measured with a soiled load
  - Drying performance with a clean test load
- IEC 60436:2015 specifies combined Cleaning and Drying Testing (CCD)

# Practical cases – Case 2 from TC 59 Dishwasher

Machine running  
in the declared  
test programme



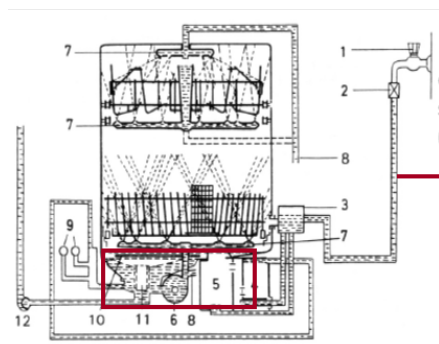
Sensor measures  
turbidity and  
amount of particles



Adaptation of  
the programme  
*(fictional)*

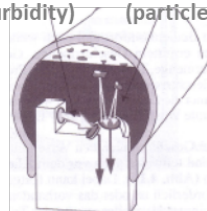


Performance  
criteria



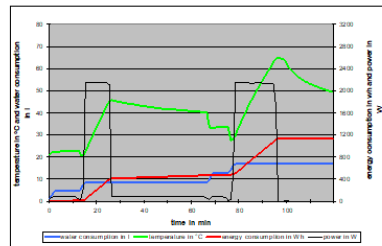
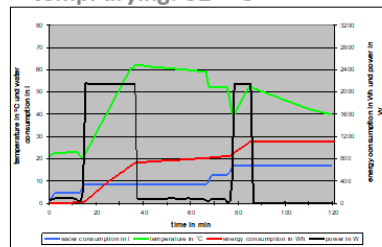
Soiled water

conduction  
sensor  
(turbidity)      reflection  
sensor  
(particles)



Clean water

temp. cleaning: 61° C;  
temp. drying: 52° C



temp. cleaning: 46° C;  
temp. drying: 65° C

↑ cleaning results

~ energy use

↓ drying results

What is the  
correct  
assessment of  
such a machine?

↓ cleaning results

~ energy use

↑ drying results

## 2) Introduction of the new consumer-relevant test load



- Definition of load is fairly old, reflects the load of a family in the 70's
- Common household items are missing
- Variety of dishware types, shapes, and materials is small



## People's loads are and will remain more complex



Source: Bonn University. Paul Richter



## New test load with bigger variation of shapes and materials



New



# About the speakers



**Ms. Solange Blaszkowski** holds a B.Sc. in Chemistry from UFPR, Brazil, a M.Sc. in Physical Chemistry from the UFRJ, Brazil. In 1997 she received her Ph.D. in Catalysis from the TUE, in The Netherlands. After working for few different companies, in 2000, she joined Philips in the Netherlands, holding positions in public-private partnerships, sustainability and product safety & compliance, respectively, at Philips Research, Consumer Lifestyle, and Lighting. In 2015 she joined Philips Intellectual Property & Standards to take up her current position as Director Standardization Environment.

In the field of standardization, Ms. Solange Blaszkowski holds the following chair and membership:

- At NATIONAL level (Dutch NC), Ms. Blaszkowski is chair of the mirror committee for IEC/TC 111 and CLC/TC 111X and for CEN-CLC JTC10. She is also member of the mirror committees for ISO TC 207 and ISO TC 323.
- At EUROPEAN level, she is member of CLC TC 111X on Environment, CEN-CLC ECO-CG (Ecodesign Coordination Group), CEN-CLC JTC 10 on Materials Efficiency, and she is the convener of CEN-CLC JTC 10 / WG 6 on communication of CRMs and material efficiency. Since recently she became also the leader of the CEN-CLC SABE Circular Economy Topic Group
- At INTERNATIONAL level, Ms. Blaszkowski is the chair of IEC ACEA and she is member of various IEC TC 111 groups and IEC SMB/AHG84 on SDGs. She is also member of ISO TC 207 on Environmental Management and ISO TC 323 on Circular Economy.

Ms. Blaszkowski holds few awards, namely the IEC 1906 Award (2018) and two Philips internal awards (individual award from Philips IP&S in 2016 and a group award from Philips Lighting Quality and Customer Satisfaction, 2015).



**Mr. Jens Giegerich** holds a B.Sc. and M.Sc. in Chemistry from JMU, Germany. In 2015 he received his Ph.D. in Physical Chemistry from the JMU in Wuerzburg, Germany. He joined the German Machinery Association and worked primarily in safety and performance standardization. In 2016 he joined Vorwerk, holding the position of Manager Technical Regulatory Affairs.

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- At NATIONAL level (German NC), Mr. Jens Giegerich is a member of the mirror committee for IEC/TC 111, CLC/TC 111X, CEN-CLC JTC10 and ISO TC 323. He is also a member of few other non-environmental mirror committees.
- At EUROPEAN level, he is member of CEN-CLC JTC 10 on material efficiency. He is also the convenor of CEN-CLC JTC 10 / WG 2, on durability, and CEN-CLC JTC 10 / WG 5 on recyclability and recycled content. In addition he is convenor of CLC TC 59X / WG 23 on material efficiency under the umbrella of TC 59X on performance of household appliances.
- At INTERNATIONAL level, Mr. Jens Giegerich is member of ACEA and leader of the TF Credibility. He is a member of IEC TC 61 WG 49 circular economy and material efficiency and TC 59.

Mr. Jens Giegerich holds the young professional award of DIN (2019).





**Mr. Andreas F. W. Schneider** holds an university degree in Mechanical Engineering (Dipl.-Ing.), Stuttgart University. He joined Sony Europa GmbH in 1994, having various positions in European environmental affairs and product compliance on project management and management level in the fields of environmentally conscious design & product requirements, product recycling and research. Build up environmental standardization activities. Since 2007 he holds the function of Senior Manager at Sony Europe Technology Standards Office. In the field of standardization, Mr. Schneider holds the following chair and membership positions:

- IIEC/TC100/TA19 (Environmental and energy aspects for multimedia systems and equipment): Technical Secretary
- EC/TC111: Head of German delegation, IEC/TC111/AG1 (Terminology) convener; ACEA member, representing TC 100
- CLC/TC111X: German delegate & CLC/TC111X/WG09 (WEEE marking) convener
- DKE/K191 (German mirror committee to IEC TC111, CLC/TC111X, IEC ACEA): Chairman



**Mrs Anna Wendker** holds a PhD in Home Economics and Nutrition Science from Bonn University, Germany. She joined Miele in 2012 as officer for standardization and regulatory affair topics related to household dishwasher. In the field of standardization, Mrs Anna Wendker holds the following chair and membership:

- At NATIONAL level (German NC), Mrs. Anna Wendker is the chairwoman of UK 513.5 and member of the different UK 513.5 subworking groups.
- At EUROPEAN level, she is the secretary of TC59X WG2 Household dishwashers since 2009.
- At INTERNATIONAL level, Mrs. Anna Wendker is chairwoman of SC 59A since 2012 and working in several working and advisory groups.



**Mr. Paul Richter** holds a PhD, in Home Economics and Nutrition Science from Bonn University, Germany. He joined AB Electrolux, Sweden as Laboratory Manager and worked also in performance standardization. In 2019 he joined Midea Europe, holding the position as Competence Area Lead Consumer Insight & Innovation at the German R&D Center, Stuttgart.

In the field of standardization, Mr. Paul Richter holds the following chair and membership:

- At NATIONAL level (German NC), Mr. Richter is a member of various working groups covering major and small appliances.
- At EUROPEAN level, he is convener of TC59X WG2 Household dishwashers since 2011.
- At INTERNATIONAL level, Mr. Paul Richter is member of various working and advisory groups under SC 59A.

