

# Legislative Framework of Pressure Equipment sector in European Union

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## New Approach Directives

- Mechanical engineering and process industries: directives related to machinery, lifts, personal protective equipment, Atex, pressure equipment, etc...
- Remark: Unit I5 is responsible for Construction products directive (CPD), pressure equipment directives (PED and SPVD) and gas appliances directives (GAD).



## New Legislative Framework

### Overall objective: Improve the functioning of the internal market in practice

- Reinforce market surveillance at European level
- Improve transparency in the control of notified bodies
- Reinforce the CE marking
- Ensure more consistency and compatibility between directives

## New Legislative Framework (NLF): 2 complementary legal texts

### REGULATION 765/2008

- Accreditation
- Market Surveillance
  - § Internal
  - § Imported products
- CE General principles
- Financing elements

*Applicable 1 Jan 2010*

### DECISION 768/2008

- Definitions
- Obligations for economic operators
- Conformity Assessment Procedures
- CE marking
- Notified bodies
- Safeguard mechanisms

*Basis for future legislation*

## Alignment of existing directives

- Alignment process - two paths
  - § Directives which are subject to a technical, legal revision within the next 2-3 years
    - will be aligned to the provisions of Decision 768/2008 via the overall revision process
  - § Directives which are NOT subject to a revision within the next 2-3 years
    - will be aligned to the provisions of Decision 768/2008 without changing technicalities (scope, essential safety requirements, etc ...)
- The Pressures Equipment Directive (97/23/EC) and Simple Pressure Vessels Directive (2009/105/EC):
  - ∅ pure alignment without revision

## Consultation with stakeholders

- Draft texts for alignment of PED / SPVD are currently under discussion in the sector specific expert groups:
  - § Working Group Pressure (WGP)
  - § Conformity Assessment Bodies Forum (CABF PED/SVPD) (• CEOC represented)
- The impact assessment for the full proposal is under preparation

## More information

- Pressure Equipment and Gas Appliances website on EUROPA:  
[http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/sectors/pressure-and-gas/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/sectors/pressure-and-gas/index_en.htm)
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*Thank you for your attention*