

Information Statement

Market Surveillance Support Initiative (MSSI)

Electrical Infrastructures and Installation Engineering Industry

European manufacturers of electrical infrastructure and installation engineering products and systems that are members of national trade associations such as AFME, AGORIA, ANIE, BEAMA, GAMBICA, FEEI, FIEEC, GIMELEC, IGNES, ZVEI, etc., themselves members of European associations such as ORGALIME, CAPIEL and CECAPI, agree that there is a need to act much more proactively in the field of market surveillance support activities, with a view to ensuring customer safety and fair competition on the European market.

To this end, a collective initiative has been set up with representatives of companies involved in the field of electrical infrastructures and installation engineering to collectively elaborate and implement pragmatic proposals/solutions for supporting market surveillance in Europe. This initiative is hosted and supported jointly by CECAPI and CAPIEL and is serviced by ORGALIME Partnership department in Brussels. Current participating companies are ABB, Benedict, Eaton, Hager, Legrand, Schneider-Electric and Siemens who invite other parties to join the initiative.

The initiative aims at elaborating proposals and scenarios to be developed and implemented under the above associations' supervision.

The objectives are twofold:

1. The first goal is to bring together manufacturers to agree and develop proactive actions / initiatives for ensuring customer safety and compliance with European directives, and standards and thereby contribute to fair competition among market operators. The intent is to develop an initiative which would serve as a framework to achieve a substantial improvement in market surveillance across Europe.
2. The second goal is to foster the widest application of this new framework, as defined above, including through legal actions against non-compliant products. In particular, this initiative would strive to:
 - Develop market surveillance coordination among all market stakeholders in European countries
 - Consolidate / coordinate national actions and information under the umbrella of a European organisation.

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