



## AN ENLARGED EUROPE IN A GLOBALIZED WORLD

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OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY STANDARDS IN  
SLOVENIA IN VIEW OF THE ACCESSION TO THE EU

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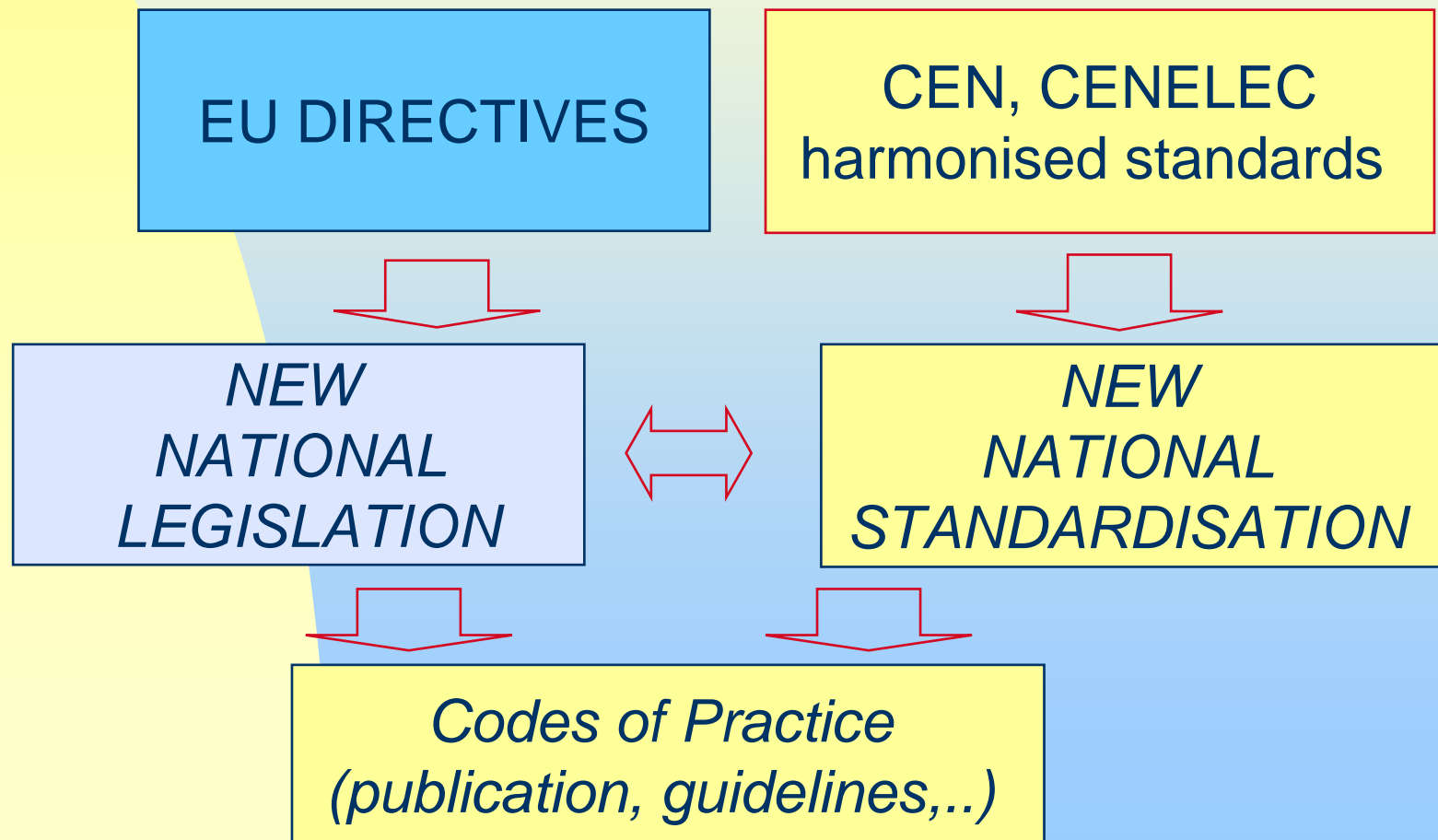
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## Introduction

Slovenia approach to EU :

- 1996 ; signing the European Agreement on accession to the EU
- March 1998; started negotiations for full EU membership
- December 2002; Slovenia successfully concluded the negotiations
- March 2003 Slovenia decided to join the EU in a referendum
- Slovenia has become an EU member on 1st May 2004.

## IMPLEMENTATION OF DIRECTIVES & STANDARDS



## Health and safety at work,

### *Sectoral background*

- fragmentation of State industry during the 1991-1998
- rapid development of small and medium sized enterprise,
- updating the system of health and safety at work,
- safety and health of the worker is an essential prerequisite for working

## Implementation of OHS directives

Framework directive:  
Directive 89/391/EEC

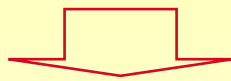
*18 individual  
directives  
(and amendments)*



*Health and Safety at Work Act  
(O.J. R.S No. 56/99, 64/01  
came into force: 15. July 1999)*

*New OHS  
Regulations :*

Workplaces, Work  
equipment, Personal  
protective equipment  
(PPE), Safety and  
Health signs, Chemical  
agents Carcinogens,  
Biological agents .....



*Codes of Practice  
(publication, guidelines,..)*



## TRANSITIONAL PERIODS THE DIRECTIVES

Directives on the protection of workers from the risks related to

- exposure to noise,
- chemical,
- and biological agents at work,
- to be transposed until 31 December 2005.

COUNCIL DIRECTIVE  
(89/654/EEC) workplaces

*Regulation on Requirements  
for Ensuring the  
Health and Safety of  
Employees at workplaces  
(O.J. RS, No. 89/99, 39/05)*

OSIST prHD 60364-1:-  
Electrical installations of buildings  
SIST EN 27243 –  
Hot environments  
SIST EN ISO 7730: –  
Determination of the PMV and PPD

*General Arrangement of Workplaces, Electrical  
Installations, Ventilation of Work Premises, Room  
temperature, Natural and artificial room lighting ....*

Publication :Ergonomics of the thermal environment

# IMPLEMENTATION OF PRODUCT SAFETY DIRECTIVES & STANDARDS

General Product  
Safety Directive - 2001/95/EC

New Approach  
Directives

General Product Safety Act  
(O.J. RS 101/2003)

New Regulations :Order on  
machinery safety (O.J. RS  
52/2000 (57/2000 ),Rules on  
electrical equipment designed  
for use within certain voltage  
limits (O.J. RS 27/2004) .....

List of standards the application of  
which presumes safety of products  
under the General Product Safety  
Act (O.J. RS, št. 75/2004 (104/2004)

List of standards:  
SIST EN 292-1:1996  
SIST EN 81-3:2001SIST EN 294:1997,...

# Practical Example

New Approach  
Directives, MD, LVD,  
ATEX- (new regulations)



ESSENTIAL HEALTH  
AND SAFETY  
REQUIREMENTS

List of standards  
SIST EN 292,  
SIST EN 418....

**Producer**

Declaration of  
conformity

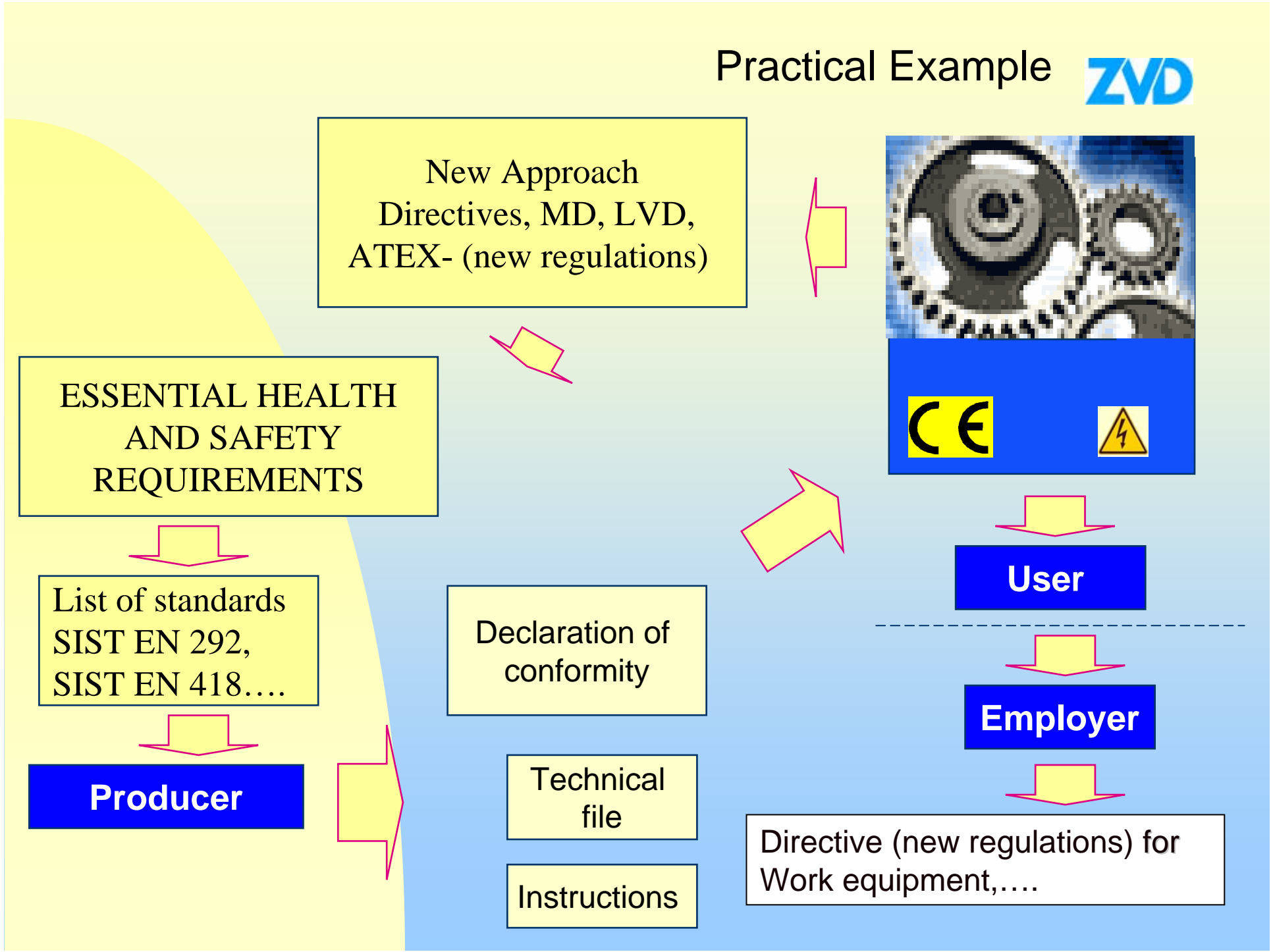
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Instructions

**User**

**Employer**

Directive (new regulations) for  
Work equipment,....



## Code of Practise

publication, guidelines,..

- contain practical recommendations
- not legally binding instruments
- not intended to replace the provisions of national laws
- to serve as practical guides for public authorities and services, employers and workers concerned, specialized protection and prevention bodies, enterprises and safety and health committees.

# Codes of Practice Issued by the Institute of Occupational Safety, Slovenia



# Delo in Varnost (Work and Safety - Travail et sécurité)

*two-monthly magazine for all prevention*

*professionals-Issued by the Institute of  
Occupational Safety, Slovenia*



## Conclusion

Slovenia is strongly committed to improving occupational health and safety outcome standards in all workplaces

“ Slovenia has already transposed the EU’s comprehensive safety and health directives into national legislation The main challenge now is to ensure that these legal standards are converted into real improvements in working conditions.

The Agency for Safety and Health at Work is looking forward to support this process and in partnership with its Slovenian network partners to develop safe, healthy and productive workplaces across an enlarged Europe”.

*(Konkolewsky)*

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!**