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From:	Presidency
To:	Working Party on Technical Harmonisation (Construction Products)
Subject:	Outcome of proceedings of the WP meeting of 24 September 2019

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## Outcome of proceedings

### 1. Approval of the agenda

The President welcomed all participants and drew their attention to the agenda in document CM 3923/19. The President apologized for having a WP meeting on a Council week and appreciated the participation of delegations despite the busy week.

### 2. Information by the Presidency on the Informal WP meeting in Helsinki

The President gave a brief outline of the discussions in Helsinki Informal Meeting.

### 3. Circular Economy on Construction

The Member States analyzed Draft Council Conclusions – Circular economy on construction (document 12041/19). Many delegations welcomed the need for Council conclusions and suggested elaborations on wording. The paragraph 12 encouraging the Commission to consider different options in a possible revision of the CPR created most conversation. Other important topics under discussion were sustainability and the scope of the conclusions, whether it should focus on construction products solely or include the construction sector. Revision of the CPR alone is not able to solve all problems relating to re-use and recycling of construction products and a broader Commission policy is needed. Some delegations have scrutiny reservations. The Presidency promised to provide more figures regarding to effects on employment in EU.

The Member States were invited to send their written contributions preferably by Monday morning 30<sup>th</sup> of September or as soon as possible in case the deadline is impossible. The Presidency will circulate the written contributions to all delegations through Delegates Portal. The Member States were also invited to consider their positions for the next WP which will take place on 15<sup>th</sup> of October. The Presidency plans to circulate the next Draft Council Conclusions on 8<sup>th</sup> of October.

### 4. Any other business

The Commission informed the delegations about Advisory Group meeting that will take place on 12<sup>th</sup> of November with delegated acts concerning i.a. Ecodesign and solid fuel heating appliances on agenda. The Impact Assessment study for the revision of the CPR should be ready by 24<sup>th</sup> of October. There is going to be a questionnaire that the Member States will have a chance to comment.

The 'family picture' of our WP was taken and will be circulated to all delegations.