# Why standards?

## Collect and consolidate available knowledge

- consensus of all stakeholders `experts' and with public input
- assist public authorities

### Improve efficiency

- solve it once; don't reinvent the wheel
- allows specification by reference
- predictability

## Assist inter-operability

- between jurisdictions (e.g. countries)
- nationally
- between organisations when communicating and trading

## Contribute to public confidence

- safety
- reliability
- comparability





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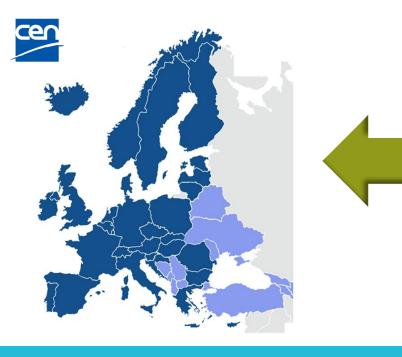
To make

life easy!

# Why CEN and ISO?

- Members recognized by national authorities
- More than 40000 standards 200000 experts
- Processes for engaging stakeholders and obtaining consensus

#### CEN/TC 415 – Sustainable and traceable cocoa



#### ISO/TC 34 - Food



International Organization for Standardization





## Making standards = rowing a boat



Why do it?

How to reach the end destination?

What is the environment - are the risks?

A competent coach is needed: CEN/TC 415 has Jack Steijn as chair

**Procedures are needed:** We apply the CEN and ISO Directives

3 C's are needed: Competences – Commitment - Continuity





# **Our vision**

#### Vision

Framework which meets the needs of:

- Producers
- Consumers
- Other stakeholders

for sustainability of cocoa production and traceability of the cocoa supply chain.

#### **Outcome shall be:**

- Clear
- Measureable
- Robust
- Achievable

standards, which are cost effective for stakeholders



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## **Our objectives and deliverables**

## **13 objectives**

E.g.:

- Obtain clarity and transparency of requirements
- A standard to which all standard schemes can align
- Support the eradication of forced labour
- Improve impacts on the environment
- Improve farmer income and livelihoods

## **3 European/International standards for:**

- 1. Requirements for sustainability of cocoa
- 2. Requirements for traceability of cocoa
- 3. Requirements for bodies assessing conformity of sustainability and traceability of cocoa



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## **Drafting European/International Standards!**

