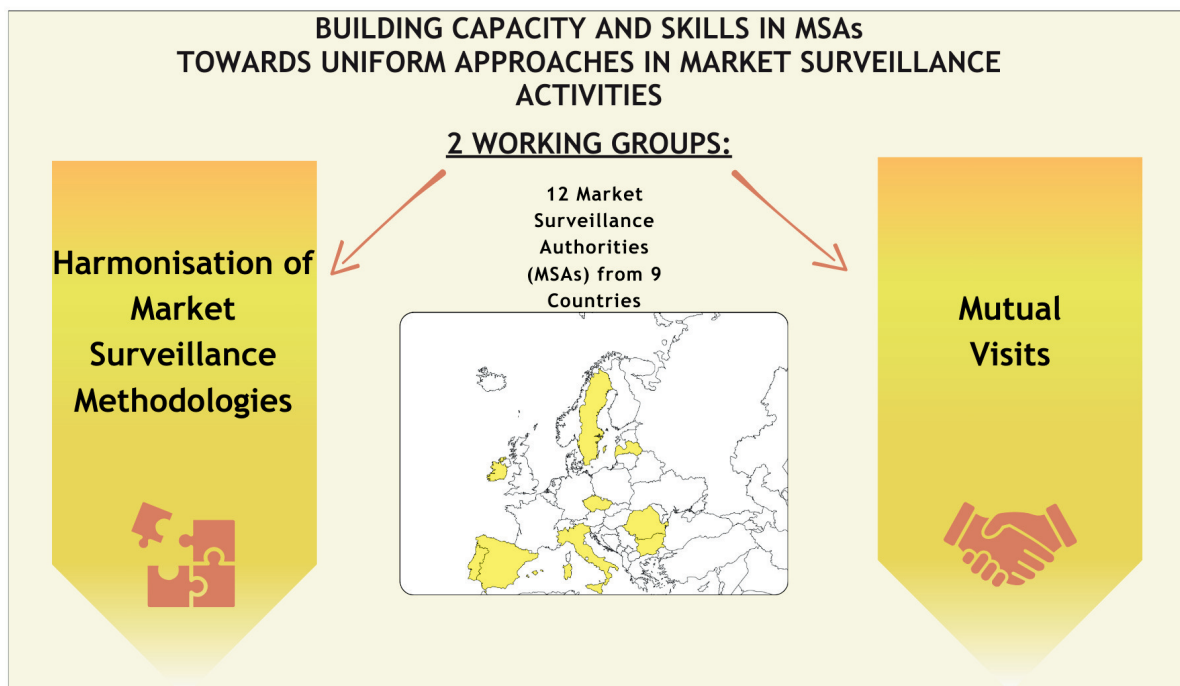


HARMONISING AND ENHANCING MARKET SURVEILLANCE METHODOLOGIES IN EUROPE

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The Action aims to:

Objective 1 - Support and enhance the harmonisation of market surveillance methodologies.

Objective 2 - Support the application of the Regulation (EU) 2019/1020.

12 Market Surveillance Authorities are participating in the Action under the coordination of **PROSAFE**.

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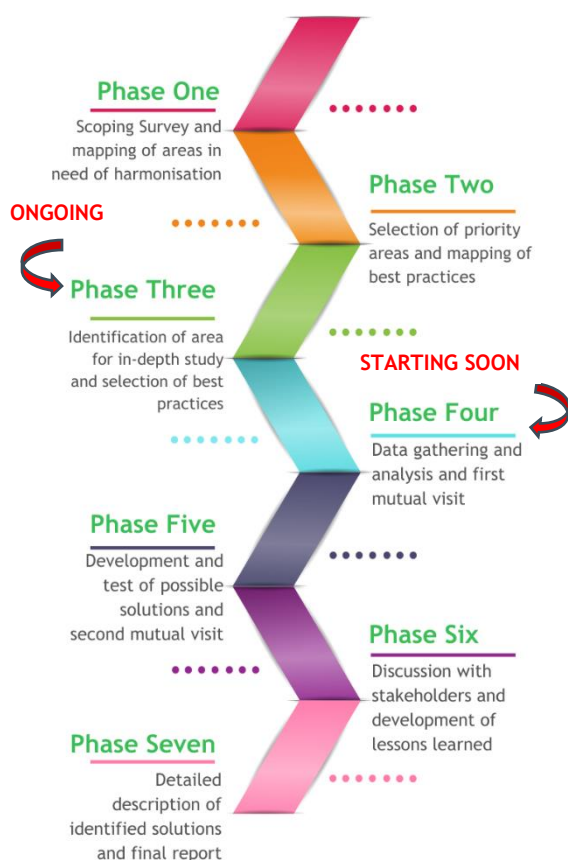
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Overview of the state of play per working group

Scoping Survey

A Survey to authorities was launched on 3 November 2023 in order to identify the priority areas for harmonisation.

Where are we now?



Harmonisation of Market Surveillance Methodologies

This project addresses the need for uniform approaches in market surveillance activities.

Member States have the responsibility of conducting market surveillance, with no single formula on how the applicable legislation is implemented and enforced. Differing national approaches and requirements, legal fragmentation and incoherencies, and uncertainty and interpretation difficulties within the EU rules, have been recognised in various EC studies as the source of notable asymmetries in the implementation of Union legislation. The issue can be eased by increasing the harmonisation across the MSAs and legislation.

Based on a survey, participating MSAs identified several priority areas where harmonisation is needed. In order to reconcile their different competencies, the group decided to work on one product - tumble driers - but approach this product according to either the Ecodesign Directive, the Low Voltage Directive or both Directives. They will work on three enforcement topics focusing on the possibilities to standardise the criteria used for risk assessment, for deciding on appropriate and proportionate corrective actions, and on the process to follow-up the implementation of these actions.

This case will use existing examples (technical documentation, test reports, etc.) to confront practices, make differences between MSAs explicit and identify the processes that could be harmonised.



Mutual Visits

This project focuses on building capacities and skills in MSAs through the identification and study of best practices in the areas singled out by the working group on harmonisation of market surveillance methodologies.

Given the lack of uniformity described above it is therefore necessary to facilitate a more systematic knowledge-exchange between MSAs to speed up the uptake of good practices and tools.

The MSAs are now in the process of identifying two case studies for further analysis, in the context of which mutual visits will be organised.

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