



IPMS-C Survey on Adoption, uploaded on 16 May 2016

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Member Body: Council of European Geodetic Surveyors (CLGE)

2. Describe your geographic market coverage:

Council of Europe (geographical Europe, including the EU but also most of the Council of Europe).

3. Describe your sector and or market focus:

Surveying and Geodetic Surveying, Including Real Estate Measurement.
In some countries our members also work as real estate experts e.g. as real estate valuers.

4. Describe your organisation and its membership:

CLGE is a non for profit organisation under Belgian Law.
We unite national liaison groups from all over Europe. We have 37 Principal Members and 3 Observing members from as many European nations.

5. Does your organisation set standards?

No not really. We propose best practices to our members.
We develop standards and lobby for their adoption but we do not set standards as such.
By approving (or adopting) standards in our General Assembly, we invite our members to adopt them.

6. How do you, or how does your organisation, define 'adoption'? (please use this definition of adoption when responding to the following questions)

When CLGE approves / adopts a standard, or code or similar other reference text, it advises its members to adopt it, if possible in a formal and binding way.

However, CLGE is not in a position to impose anything hence the word approve is probably more appropriated.

Therefore we want to lobby towards the actual Standard Setting bodies such as CEN, RICS (as we did) and ISO.

IPMS could have a profound impact on National Agencies or Ministries. Although or maybe because many of their staff members are member of CLGE member associations, it is very difficult for us to adopt IPMS or euREAL IPMS compliant without their approval.



7. Does your organisation require use of adopted standards in order for members to maintain membership?

No. We require members (associations, bodies, not individual persons) to agree with our references.

But their members are not obliged to follow these references, unless obliged by national or European regulations or their membership relation to their association.

For the moment euREAL is not binding but it is included in EU Law (INSPIRE Directive) and should be used as a default if no other standard is prescribed.

8. Has your organisation adopted IPMS for Offices? If so, when?

We didn't adopt IPMS for Offices. We approved it by adapting euREAL to make it IPMS compliant.

However, as said during the whole process, we will only formally approve the standards at the very end when they are available for all types.

We would like to have one single standard for all types of buildings.

9. If IPMS for Offices has not yet adopted IPMS but plan to do so, what steps are being taken and when?

We plan to approve IPMS for offices at the end of the process, together with the other standards (hopefully regrouped in one standard). In the mean time we adapt euREAL to keep it in line with IPMS.

10. What does your adoption process entail?

An exact knowledge of what the impact of later standards on previous ones (per building type) and a cooperation with CEN.

11. How would you describe the membership and market benefit of adopting IPMS for Offices?

We only see a benefit if all standards are in one standard.

This would lead to the cross border tool for transparency in the real estate market we are looking for.

12. If you have decided not to adopt IPMS for Offices, why was this decision taken?

See above. Notice that we have approved it via updating euREAL, since we want the process to go on for all the building types.

13. Once IPMS for Offices is adopted, what actions might you take with:

Your Members: Advise our members associations to adopt the standard

Firms and other Service Providers: Advise them to use the standard by default and massively

Clients and other end-users such as occupiers and banks: Idem



14. Do you have any other information to share regarding IPMS Offices adoption?

Simplicity, Unicity, Clarity is what we need to get Transparency.

15. IPMS Residential is in second consultation from 8 Feb - 8 April 2016. How is your organisation communicating about the consultation?

We inform our members during the General Assemblies (GA).

A working group euREAL analyses the standards proposes reactions submitted to the approval of the GA.

16. Do you have any feedback for the Trustee Officers or Executive Committee? Comments about communications, governance, strategy or anything else would be appreciated.

We urge the Coalition to use the same transparent process for each consultation.

A single consultation should be avoided.

The process has to be identic for each new building type and IPMS-C's inclusive approach should be documented.

We confirm that IPMS-C should underline that the end goal is to have one single standard for all building types with possible slight variations due to sector specificities.

This is especially important and pertinent when we take into account that we have to convince our National Agencies and Ministries. It makes no sense to go to them many times, each time a new building type is out, knowing that the upcoming building types could influence the standers. Imagine the situation in Switzerland, where we have to go to the central government (swisstopo) but also to the 26 cantons!

We strongly support the idea of cooperation with ISO, CEN and other official regional normalization bodies. Therefore we recommend to organize a voluntary fund raising among our Trustees and Partners.

In the name of CLGE's Bureau,

Brussels, 16 May 2016,

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