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Press release

Start of the MSTyr15: Combining Safety and Energy Labelling Requirements in One Action

13 EU market surveillance authorities and Turkey have united efforts under the coordination of PROSAFE to enhance the functioning of the European Single Market by ensuring that the tyres regulatory measures are effectively enforced.

The Market Surveillance Action on Tyres 2015, officially launched on 6 April 2016, will deliver energy savings of at least 105 GWh/year through removing incorrectly labelled passenger car tyres from the market.

During the following 24 months, inspectors from Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Poland, Romania, Spain, Sweden and Turkey will coordinate market surveillance actions involving checks on 15 000 tyres, 1500 inspections of documents and testing of 150 models of tyres. To make the work of inspectors more efficient and coordinated, the project will provide every authority with 2 tablets where data about the tyres inspected will be uploaded and made available across Europe in real time.

Experience and resources for enforcement have been very limited in many MS since the tyres regulations were introduced in 2009. MSTyr15 includes mechanisms for assisting the skills development of less experienced staff and their authorities, supporting the adoption of common best practices and providing budgets to cover the high costs of testing tyres to the required standards.

The expected results of the project are: adoption of best practices, market surveillance being undertaken in a more cost effective and consistent manner, increased awareness of and respect for market surveillance by tyres suppliers and users.

The consortium will work closely with other non-participating MSAs across the EEA though its liaison with the Tyres ADCO. Additionally, the MSTyr15 consortium will work together with an Advisory Board comprising of European-level associations of supply-side businesses, consumer organisations and environmental NGOs.

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Background information

This information is issued by PROSAFE and the surveillance authorities representing 13 EU countries and Turkey in the MStyr15 Action.

The Action is coordinated by PROSAFE (Product Safety Forum of Europe), a non-profit organisation that brings together market surveillance officers from all over Europe and across the world. Visit www.prosafe.org to learn more. On this website you will also find more information about MStyr15 and the other Joint Actions coordinated by PROSAFE. Explore the links to "Projects" in the left-hand column.

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