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# **Swiss-Czech Cooperation of consumers (Partnership fund) – Swiss experience**

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# To improve the participation of consumers into standardization

## 1st observation

- ⌘ The consumers organizations, everywhere in the EU, lack of means in particular regarding their involvement into standardization.
- ⌘ This lack of means is not only financial, but also in terms of human resources
- ⌘ Always looking for experts who are ready to take part into the technical / working groups

## 2<sup>nd</sup> observation

- ⌘ Standardization is essential for consumers as their everyday life is filled with standards
- ⌘ Moreover the legislation (both Swiss and European) contains standards as is.

# An interesting project in Switzerland that we can share

## Internorm project

- Pilot project funded by the University of Lausanne
- Aim: to support the involvement of civil society organizations in two ISO technical committees (TC)
- Partnership between University, consumers organizations, unions and other NGO



# Child shoes safety in Switzerland?

## Some observations

- Not really a concern in Switzerland
- Recommendations given by the pediatricians when the children are beginning to walk
- Until 3 years old
- Problems about the standardization of sizes
- Problems of quality and durability

**Thank you for your attention!**

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