

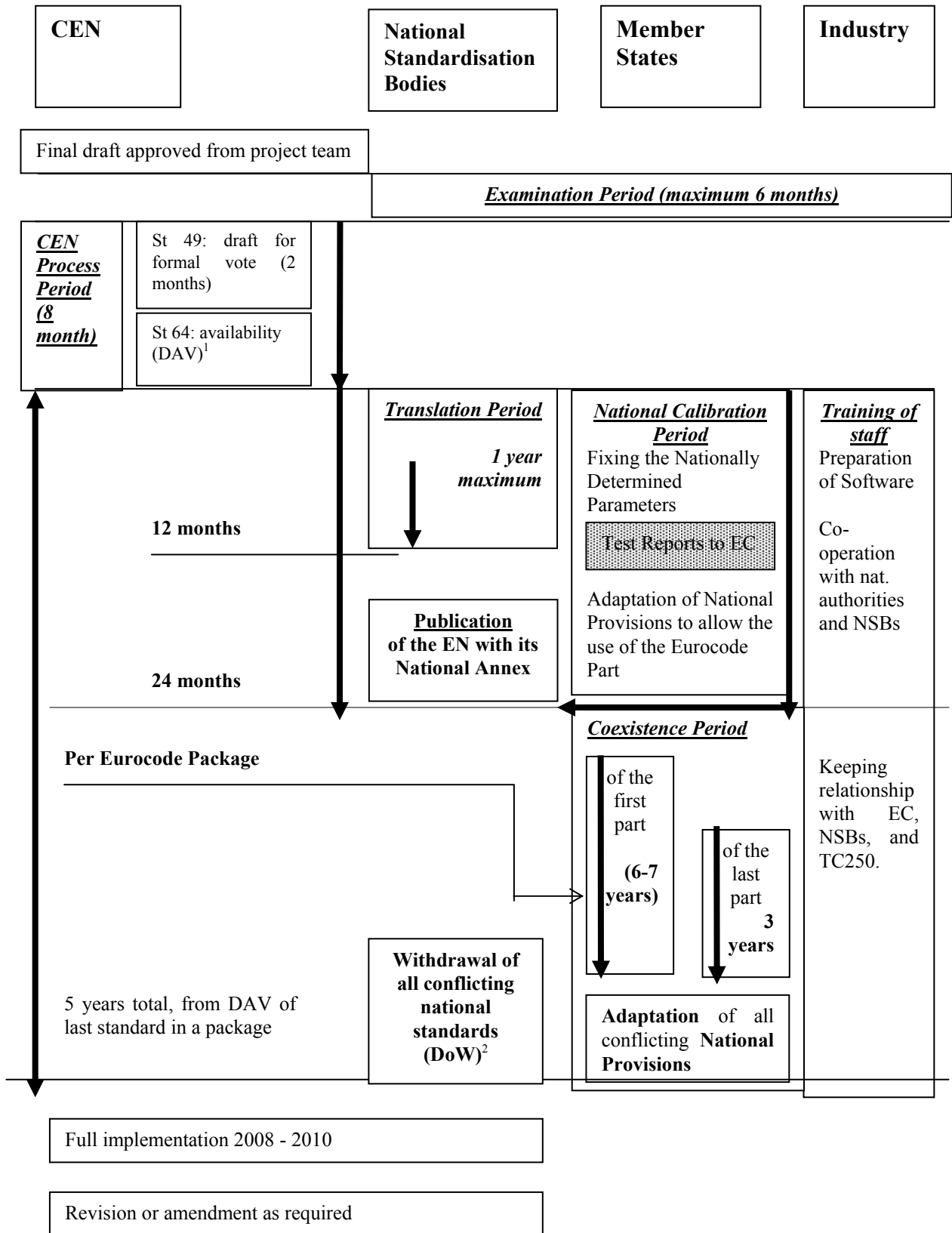
## Annex A

### Arrangements for the implementation of the EN Eurocodes

Periods	Description	Action
<b>Examination Period</b>	<p>After the final draft prepared by the Project Team is sent to the sub-committee for progressing to the vote, a period should be allowed for examination of the content of the Eurocode Part, by both competent authorities and Sub-committee members. After taking into account any comments generated from this examination, the Sub-committee approves the document to go to formal vote and sends it to CEN/MC (CEN stage 49).</p> <p>A maximum period for the examination, revision in the sub-committee and final approval to go to formal vote is 6 months.</p>	CEN/ NSBs
<b>CEN Process Period</b>	<p>After receiving the final draft (CEN stage 49), CEN/MC organises the formal vote and the ratification, leading to the date of availability (DAV) of the approved European standard. This process requires about 8 months, depending on editing, translation (translation of the EN Eurocode Parts to the other two official languages of CEN) and finalisation of the document prior to making it available to CEN members for publication</p>	CEN/ NSBs
<b>Translation Period</b>	<p>The translation of an Eurocode Part in authorised national languages may be started, at the latest when the National Standardisation Bodies have received the Eurocode from CEN (DAV). The maximum time allowed for translation is 12 months after DAV.</p>	NSBs
<b>National Calibration Period</b> (in parallel with translation period)	<p>A period of two (2) years after DAV is the maximum time allowed to fix the Nationally Determined Parameters. The SCC could, however, examine requests, for exceptions. At the end of this period, the national version of an EN Eurocode Part will be published, with the National Annex, which will include the Nationally Determined Parameters. At the end of this 2-year period, the Member States should have adapted their National Provisions so that this Eurocode Part can be used on their territory. The National Annex shall be sent to the EC services for information (see 2.5.6). During this period, the Member States shall inform the Commission about the result of the tests undertaken using this EN Eurocode Part (see 2.5.6 and Annex B).</p>	MSs/ NSBs
<b>Coexistence Period of a Eurocode Package</b>	<p>During the coexistence period, which starts at the end of the National Calibration period, the Eurocode Part can be used, just as the former national system (codes and provisions) can also be used. The coexistence period of an Eurocode Package will last up to a maximum time of three (3) years after the national publication of the last Part of a Package. At the end of the coexistence period of a Package, the NSBs shall withdraw all conflicting national standards, and the Member States shall make sure that all the Parts of the related Package can be used without ambiguity on their territories by adapting their National Provisions as necessary. Thus all conflicting National Standards<sup>37</sup> in a package should be withdrawn a maximum of 5 years after DAV of the last available standard in the package (see 2.5.5)</p>	MS/ NSBs/ Industry

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<sup>37</sup> The words “conflicting National Standards” mean standards whose scope covers the same subjects as those of the EN Eurocode Parts



1. DAV = Date of availability  
 2. DoW = Date of withdrawal of conflicting National Standard