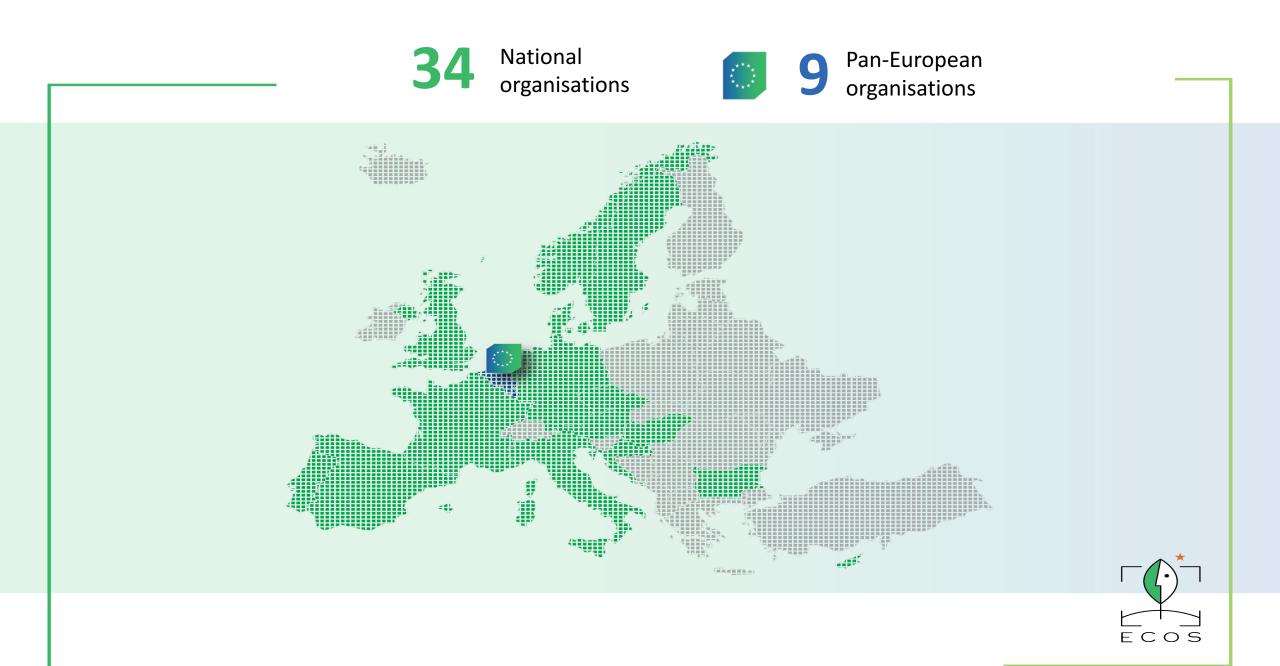


# Development of standards and their impact on natural refrigerants

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## Introduction to standardisation

#### What are standards?

- 'rules or guidelines for products or services for common and repeated use'
- Integral part of the European Single Market
- Facilitate international trade

### Uses and applications?

- Product design and development
- Product testing
- Installation and decommissioning of systems

## Who makes them?





ISO 5149/EN 378 'Refrigerating systems and heat pumps – Safety and environmental requirements'

 Industrial systems, commercial refrigerators, air conditioners and heat pumps, transport refrigeration and chillers

IEC 60335-2-40/EN 60335-2-40 '

• Air conditioners and heat pumps, chillers

IEC 60335-2-89/EN 60335-2-89

Commercial refrigerators

IEC 60335-2-24/EN 60335-2-24

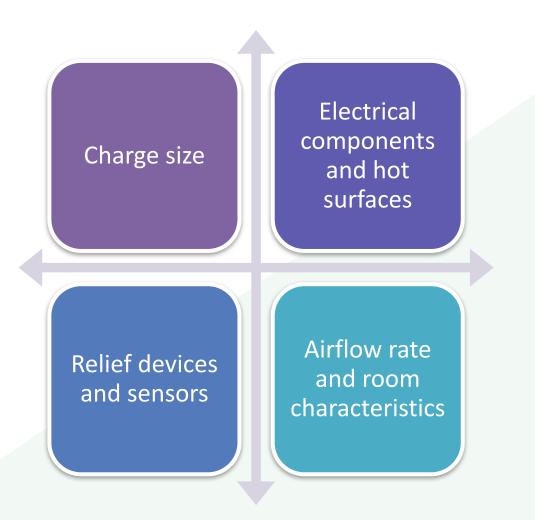
• Domestic refrigerators

\*non-exhaustive list

## **Status of standards**

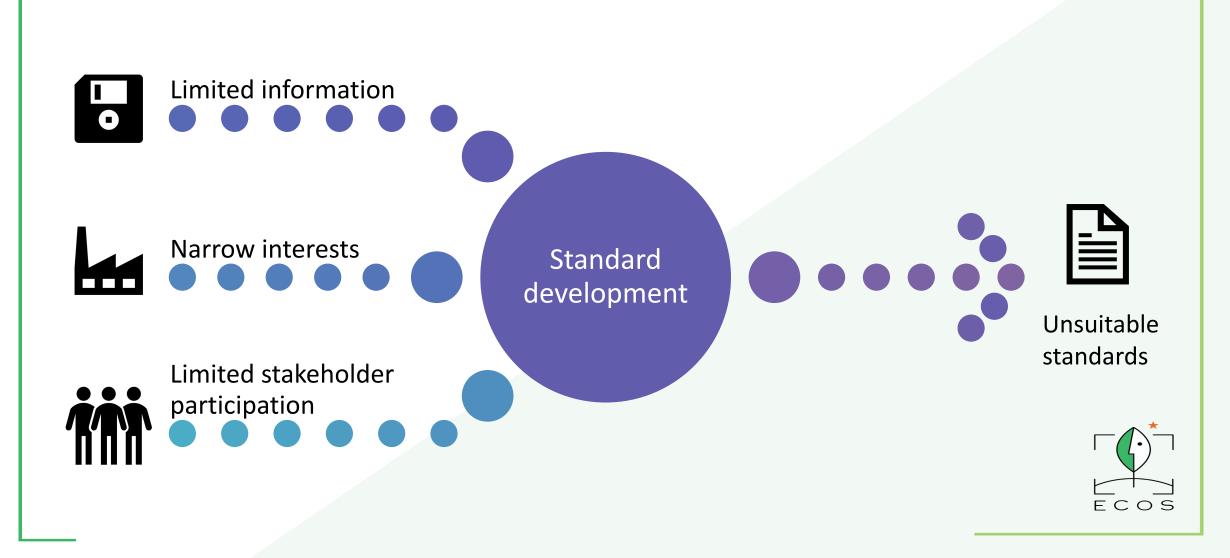
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ISO 5149 Publishe	<b>d</b> Work items: Charge limits; A2L refrigerants;	
IEC 60335- 2-40 Enquiry stage	Work items: Increase A2L charge sizes; revision of A2 and A3 charge size formula; improvements for transcritical CO2 systems	
IEC 60335- 2-89 Committe stage	ee Work items: increase charge sizes for all flammable refrigerants	
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How do these standards impact systems that use natural refrigerants?

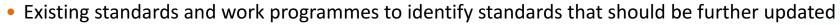




## **Standardisation development process distortions**



## **F-Gas Standardisation Request**



- Risk analysis used in related standards
- Relationship between risk and increased charge
- Options for additional mitigation requirements if the risk increase is not tolerable
- Identification of performance based requirements that result from risk assessments
- Identification of options for risk minimisation

- Extended charge size limits and risk mitigation measures
- Design and structural requirements for rooms
- Marking of installations containing flammable refrigerants

# Draft technical specifications

Analysis





- FRONT is a 3 year demonstration project, which aims to address flammable refrigerants in standardisation and increase the availability of suitable alternatives
- Objectives:
  - Support standardisation development processes
  - Reduce safety risks with improve system design
  - Engage in technology capacity building
  - Remove non-technological knowledge barriers



Field and laboratory studies



Product safety design and risk assessment





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