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engineering services for buildings, infrastructure and
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Ingenieurdienstleistungen - Terminologie zur Beschreibung von Ingenieurdienstleistungen für Gebäude, Infrastruktur und Industrieanlagen

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Foreword

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Introduction

This European Standard contains a glossary of key words concerning engineering services, provided in the construction of buildings, infrastructure and industrial facilities. The glossary can contribute to the conditions for free competition and a level playing field for engineering service providers (including architects) in the European Community. It is intended to lower or remove the barriers that these providers are confronted with in cross border operations and co-operations due to different interpretations of relevant terms in different European countries. The terms that are incorporated in the glossary are in line with those developed by CEN/TC 395 for other industries.

Each construction project is managed through a series of stages and therefore staging is important for the management and assessment of engineering services. However, the standard stages in projects and related national plans of work of engineering service providers (including architects) differ from country to country and may also be subject to differences in legislation. For these reasons, it is not the intention of this standard to harmonise national plans of work. However, in cross border operations and co-operations it is important that all parties concerned have a common view on the actual staging and the engineering activities that take place within each stage. To facilitate this, some information about the stages in the life cycle of built assets is given in Annex A. This annex may offer a common reference framework onto which engineering service providers (including architects) can 'map' their project-specific scope of work in cross border projects, while the actual scope of work is to be specified in contracts.

1 Scope

This European Standard contains a glossary of terms, which can contribute to the conditions for free competition and a level playing field for engineering service providers (including architects) in Europe in the construction of buildings, infrastructure and industrial facilities.

The terminology in this European Standard aims at facilitating the cooperation between sectors and between countries in the field of engineering services. It is structured on the basis of "successive stages" of an operation of construction. It does not concern the description of the contents of the tasks to be performed, neither on their scheduling, nor on the actors concerned, which depend on the national context, the type, and of the importance of the work and its environment.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 15643-3:2012: *Sustainability of construction works — Assessment of buildings — Part 3: Framework for the assessment of social performance*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply:

3.1 assessment appraisal judgment

ongoing process of gathering, analyzing and reflecting on evidence to make informed and consistent judgments (about the quality of a service, process or product)

Note 1 to entry: A related term is: control.

3.2 brief

written document that states the client's requirements for a construction project

[SOURCE: ISO 6707-2:1993]

3.3 building

construction work that has the provision of shelter for its occupants or contents as one of its main purposes; usually partially or totally enclosed and designed to stand permanently in one place

[SOURCE: ISO 6707-1:2004]

Note 1 to entry: See Annex B.

3.4 client

person or organisation that requires a building to be provided, altered or extended and is responsible for initiating and approving the brief

[SOURCE: ISO 6707-1:2004]