

SBS Webinar – Call for experts 2024

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Q&A

Question asked by attendee	Answer
<p>Where do we find the ‘Numbers and titles of the TCs/SCs/WGs’? Does it have to be linked to an existing standards body (ISO for example)?</p>	<p>If you apply to work as an SBS Expert related to a specific field, you have to mention the name of the CEN, CENELEC, ETSI, ISO and/or IEC Technical Body (TC, SC, WG) dedicated to this very topic.</p> <p>At the end of the Open Call, you can find links to the lists of Technical Bodies in the following standards-developing organisations: CEN, CENELEC and ETSI at European level, as well as ISO and IEC at international level.</p>
<p>How do we get aware of the ‘Indicative list of meetings of the above-mentioned TCs/SCs/WGs’?</p>	<p>We mentioned during the presentation that you needed to insert the list of meetings related to the Technical Body(-ies) you apply for into your application form.</p> <p>The best way to do so is to be in contact with the Technical Body in advance or have access to the Technical Body’s documentation.</p> <p>Yet, please be aware this list is ‘indicative’. If an expert has been involved in a technical committee on behalf of his/her NSB or in another capacity, and knows the amount of meetings in the year, this is enough as an indicative indication which isn’t to be considered as a strict requirement.</p>

Please, could you explain a little bit more the types of contracts? Is it possible that the signatory is the SME where the expert is working?

Yes, you can have your contract signed by an SME if you apply as an independent expert.
As further background, there are two types of contracts: as a supported expert or as an independent expert.
For supported experts, the signatory is intended to be an SME association, not an individual SME. In this case, the support letter has to be issued by an SME association as well.
Therefore, if the concerned expert is working in an SME directly, this is more akin to applying as an independent expert.
One precision: Whoever signs the contract is the party that is supposed to send the invoice. What happened in the past was that the invoice was later issued and sent by a company although the expert had a contract under his name, which wasn't allowed. Indeed, we at SBS are being consistently audited and we have to ascertain that the signatory is the one who's providing the invoice and not someone else.