



**Activity Title and Number:** Conformity Assessment Seminar: Outcomes of Comparative Study on Conformity Assessment and How to Assign Conformity Assessment Modules to Products; A381C2

**Beneficiary:** The General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ); The Certification and Accreditation Administration of the People's Republic of China (CNCA); European Commission Directorate General Enterprise and Industry (DG GROW)

**Location and Date:** Beijing, 14 January 2015

**Stakeholders:** Industry sectors in the EU and China; European Union Chamber of Commerce in China (EUCCC)

## Brief Activity Report

### Relevance and Impact

Under the New Legislative Framework (NLF), the assessment of the conformity of a product with the relevant EU legislative requirements is carried out before a product is placed on the EU market. EU NLF product legislation not only contains essential safety requirements, but also a choice of procedures ('modules') for assessing the conformity of a product with the relevant legislative requirements, depending on the risk an individual product or group of products may offer (proportionality principle). EUCTP II organised a seminar to identify areas of commonalities and differences between the system of the EU and China, which may influence the review of market regulatory requirements. This activity continues to reinforce the dialogue between DG GROW and AQSIQ CNCA Conformity Assessment Working Group and to provide recommendations for achieving common goals.

### Activity Description

Around 30 industry experts attended the meeting from both sides. A joint opening speech was delivered by Mr Jean-Marie AVEZOU, Minister Counsellor of the EU Delegation to China and Mr Huang Shouyun, Deputy Director-General of the International Cooperation Department of CNCA. Representatives from CQC, EuropElectro, GIZ, TÜV, SESEC and VDMA CAMDI also attended. The first session was dedicated to report the outcomes of the Comparative Study on Conformity Assessment of Products for Consumers: Electrical Products, Products Intended for Children, Textile and Apparel, and General Consumer Safety Conformity Assessment in Specific Sectors. The second session introduced the conformity assessment modules. The third session provided a status update of the changes of the CCC system and the final session offered an interpretation of the new legislative Framework in the EU.



**Mr Klaus Ziegler  
presenting the outcomes  
of the comparative study  
on conformity  
assessment**

### Results

This activity improved the capacities of both parties in understanding the fundamental differences of conformity assessment systems between the EU and China. It also promoted greater compatibility of approaches in the field of conformity assessment to ensure a better access to markets for both sides.