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# BIS Seminar on Standardization in the usage of Digital Signature

ETSI standards for trust services and digital signatures

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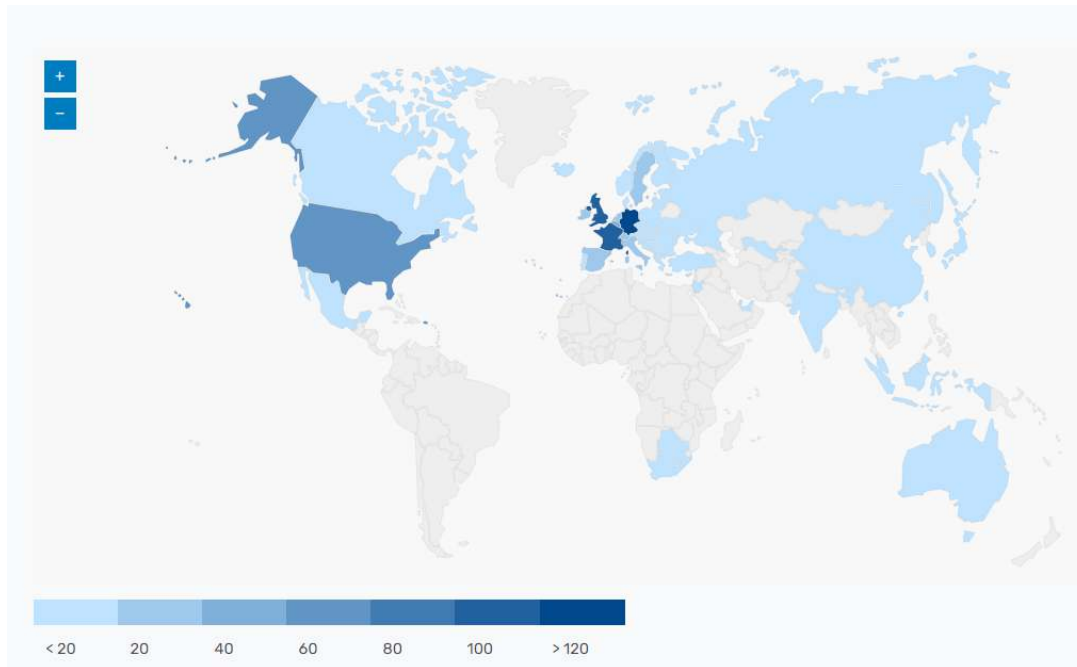
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# Agenda

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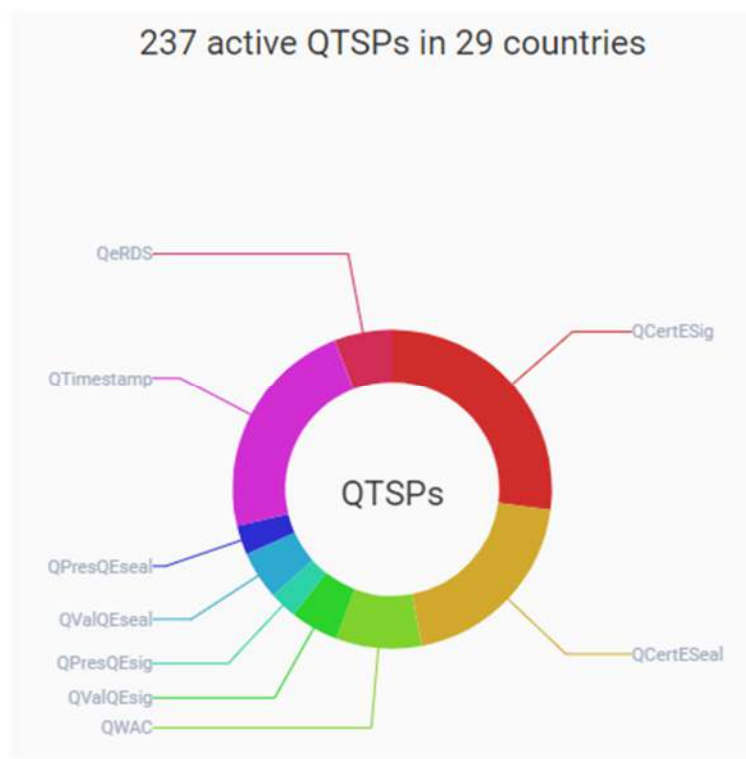
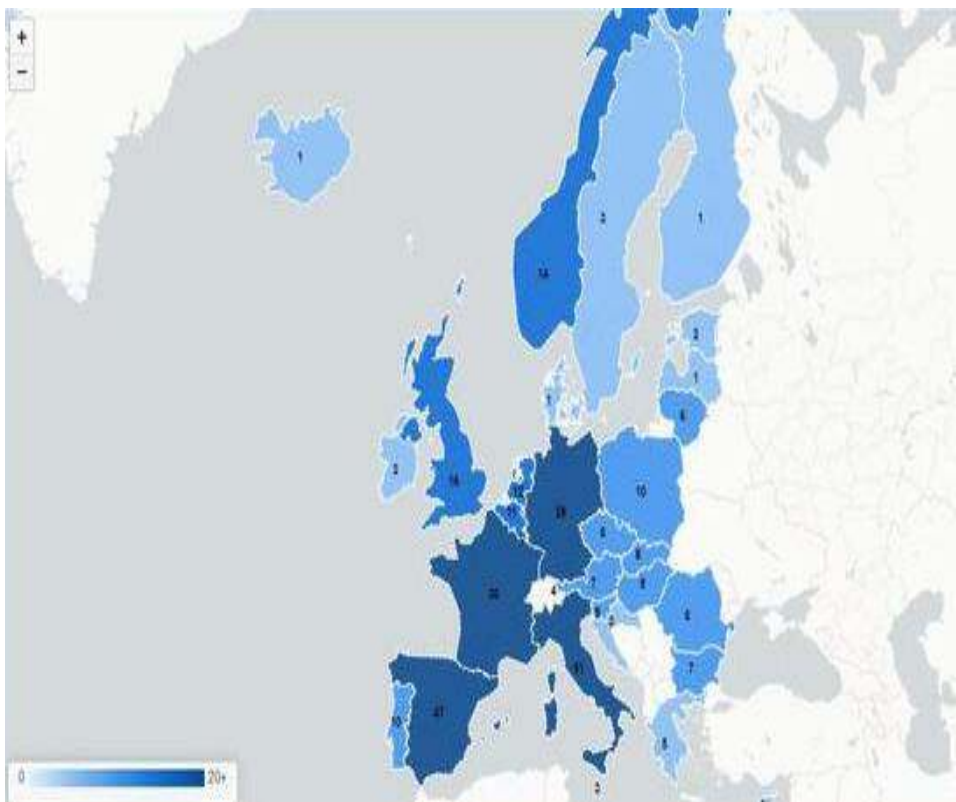
- 1) Overview of ETSI standards for Digital Signatures and Trust Services
- 2) ISO Signature Format Standards & ETSI AdES Standards
- 3) Study by SSD10 & Recommendations

# ETSI a Global Standardisation Body Based in the EU



- More than 900 member organizations worldwide,
- Drawn from over 60 countries and five continents
- Recognised by EU as provider of European Norms

# Qualified trust service providers (TSPs)



<https://eidas.ec.europa.eu/efda/tl-browser/#/screen/statistics>

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## ETSI support for EU Regulation on qualified trust Services

- EU Regulation 910/2014 on eID and Trust services (eIDAS)
  - Governmental supervision scheme for providers of trust services

### eIDAS Trust Services:

- Electronic signature: personal identity linked to data via certificate
- Electronic seal: organisation identity linked to data via certificate
- Website authentication: identity linked to website via certificate
- Registered e-delivery / e-mail: trusted service provider proof delivery etc.
- Time-stamping: Trusted time linked to data via time-stamp



## EU Qualified & Globally applicable standards

Global  
Best Practices  
+ eIDAS  
Specific  
Requirements



EU Qualified: EU [eIDAS Regulation 910/2014](#) on electronic identification and trust services for electronic transactions defines specific requirements on practices which give legal assumption.

These are met by specific options within ETSI standards

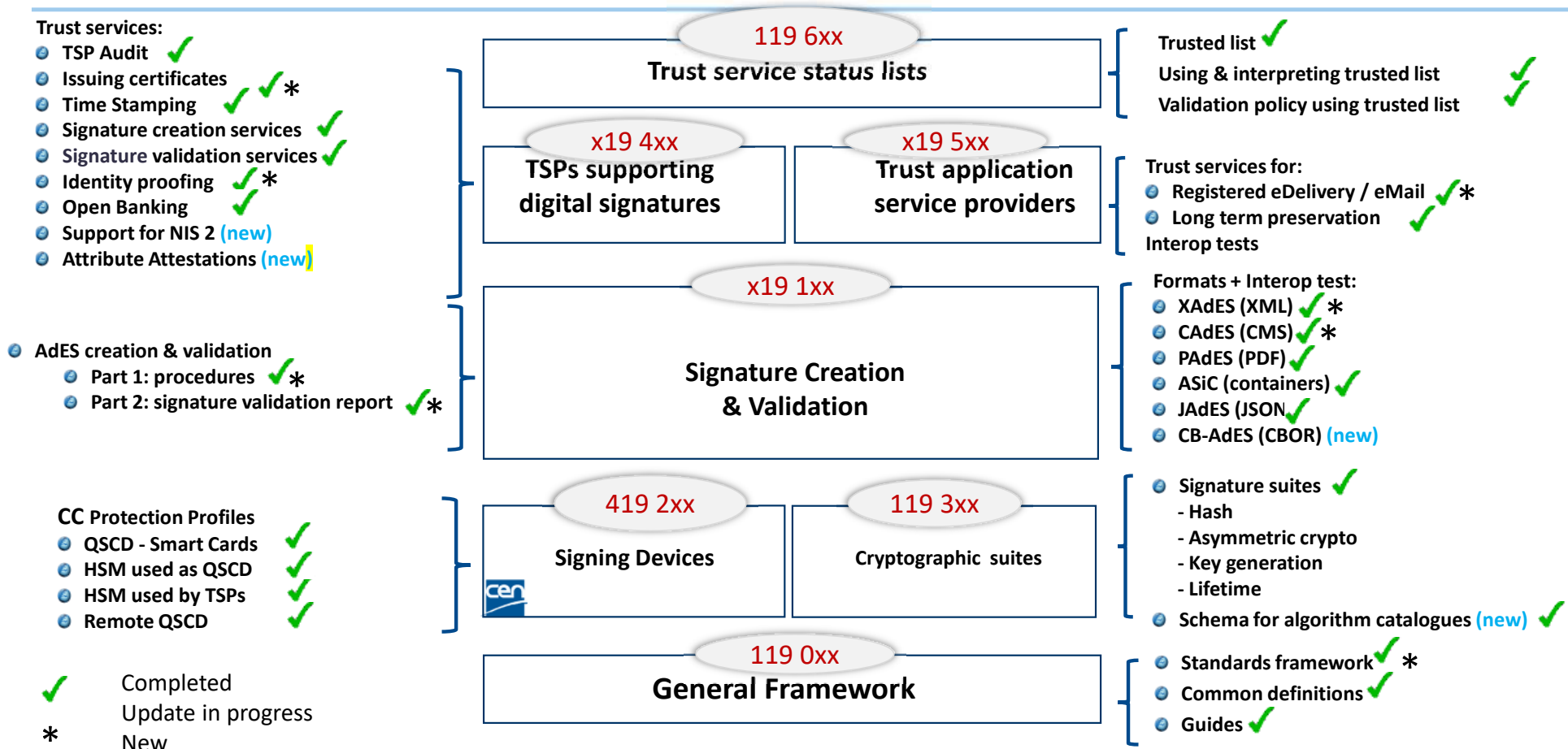


Global  
Best Practices  
  
(e.g. ISO,  
CA / Browser Forum)



ETSI Standards: Build on globally accepted best practices and can be applied to different contexts

# ETSI & CEN Standards supporting eIDAS – the overall picture



## International Alignment

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- ✔ Best practices and audit scheme recognised by CA/Browser guidelines
- ✔ Input to [ISO DIS 27099 standard](#) on “Information Technology — Public key infrastructure (PKI) — Practices and policy framework”
- ✔ ISO Alignment with ETSI advanced electronic signature (AdES) Digital Signature Formats (see later)
- ✔ Regional / sector partnerships:
  - ❑ [PKI Consortium](#) (International PKI Service providers)
  - ❑ [ASIA PKI](#),
  - ❑ Arab ICT organisation,
  - ❑ Japan Network Security Association
  - ❑ [Safe Identity](#) (international healthcare security consortium)
  - ❑ [CA/Browser forum](#) (Web server certificates)
- ✔ [TR 103 684](#) Study Report on Electronic Signatures and Infrastructures (ESI); Global Acceptance of EU Trust Services





# ISO & ETSI Digital Signature Formats

## ETSI Digital Signature Format Standards

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- Adapts existing digital signature format to meet legal requirements including long term validity using time-stamping
- First developed based on IETF Cryptographic Message Syntax RFC 3652 (now 5652) in developing ETSI TS 101 733 in December 2000
- Since then, updated and applied to other signature formats:
  - [ETSI EN 319 122-1](#): CMS (Cryptographic Message Syntax) Advanced Electronic Signatures (CAAdES) digital signatures (IETF 5652 CMS based)
  - [ETSI EN 319 132-1](#): XML Advanced Electronic Signature (XAdES) based on W3C XML Signature
  - [ETSI EN 319 142-1](#): PDF Advanced Electronic Signatures (PAdES) based ISO 32000-1 PDF
  - [ETSI EN 319 162-1](#): Associated Signature Containers (ASiC) (Signatures in ZIP package)
  - [ETSI TS 119 182-1](#): JSON Advanced signatures (JAdES) based on IETF RFC JSON Web Signatures

## ETSI AdES Maintenance Updates

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Last major update in 2016 and 2021

Further updates to CAdES under approval process in 2023

## ISO Standards Relating to ETSI Standards

Following ISO standards have aspects which overlap with ETSI standards as indicated below. Conformance to the ETSI standard does not necessarily imply conformance to the listed ISO/ITU standard but they are taken into account by ETSI.

TSI ESI standard	ISO / ITU-T standard	Title / Topic
TSP issuing certificates policy requirements and conformity assessment (e.g. EN 319 401, EN 319 411-1 & 2, EN 319 412-x, EN 319 403)	ISO/IEC 27099:2022	PKI - Practices and Policy framework
	ISO/IEC TR 14516:2002 / ITU-T X.842:2000	Guidelines for the use and management of trusted third party services
	ISO/IEC 15945:2002 / ITU-T X.843	Specification of TTP services to support the application of digital signatures
TS 119 461	ISO/IEC TS 29003:2018	Identity proofing
	ISO 21188: 2018	PKI for financial services — Practices and policy framework
	ISO 15782-1	Certificate management for financial services — Part 1: Public key certificates
	ISO 17090-1:2013	Health Informatics - Part 1: overview of certificate services
	ISO 17090-2:2015	Health Informatics - Part 2: Certificate profile
	ISO 17090-3:2008	Health Informatics - Part 3: Policy Management of CA
	ISO 17090-4:2014	Health Informatics - Part 4: Digital Signatures for healthcare documents
	ISO 17090-5: 2017	Health Informatics - Part 5: Authentication using Healthcare PKI credentials
	ISO/IEC 9594-8, ITU-T X.509	The Directory: Public-key and attribute certificate frameworks
PAdES	ISO 32000-1:2008	Portable document format — Part 1: PDF 1.7
		Portable document format — Part 2: PDF 2.0
	ISO 32000-2:2017	
CAdES	ISO 14533-1 (upd. in progress)	Long term signature profiles — Part 1: Long term signature profiles for CMS Advanced Electronic Signatures (CAdES)
XAdES	ISO 14533-2 (upd. in progress)	Long term signature profiles — Part 2: Long term signature profiles for XML Advanced Electronic Signatures (XAdES)
ASiC	ISO/IEC 21320-1:2015	Document Container File — Part 1: Core

## Modalities for Signing In India

	DSC in USB Token	eSign (v2) - Aadhaar	eSign (v3) - CA KYC
<b>Certificate Type</b>	Individual / Organization Individual	Individuals	Individual / Organization Individual
<b>Enrolment</b>	Online   Paperless   Video	Not Required. Aadhaar.	Online   Paperless   Video
<b>Integration</b>	Client system integration	Online integration (Gateway)	Online integration (Gateway)
<b>Dependency</b>	Desktop OS and crypto token is required	Hardware independent	Hardware independent
<b>Auth / Password</b>	Local Auth. Max 10 failed attempts, certificate reissuance.	Aadhaar OTP Authentication. (needs Mobile seeding)	2FA Online Auth With password reset options
<b>Key Loss</b>	Reissuance if token gets lost.	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
<b>Hardware cost</b>	Yes	No	No
<b>OS Support</b>	Limited OS support by token vendors		
<b>Troubleshooting</b>	Driver and other troubleshooting required	High availability of service	High availability of service
<b>Timestamping and LTV</b>	Signing time from user system	Supported	Supported
<b>Bulk signing</b>	Based on client system configuration	1 documents/transaction	5 documents/transaction
<b>Sign using mobile</b>	No	Yes	Yes
<b>Userbase</b>	10 million+	100 million+	3 million+

## Modalities for Signing In India

Use Case	Digital Signature	Adoption
<b>GST Return Signing</b>	JSON data signing	30-40 Lacs / Mandatory
<b>Income Tax Return Signing</b>	Document Hash / Text data signatures	Large use case
<b>MCA Return Signing</b>	PDF Signature	Large / Mandatory
<b>Tax Letters (IT/GST) / Aadhaar</b>	PDF Signature	Less Signers, More Docs
<b>Tendering Portals</b>	Document Hash / Text data signatures	Mandatory
<b>UIDAI (AUA/KUA/etc)</b>	XML Signatures (xml-dsig)	High Volume
<b>Banking Transactions</b>	XML / Text data signatures	More Transactions
<b>G2B / G2C</b>	PDF Signatures	Increasing
<b>B2B / B2C</b>	PDF Signatures	Increasing
<b>Emails</b>	SMIME CMS Signatures	Low adoption

## Reference study carried out by SSD 10

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- Key RFC Works: RFC 5126 (CMS Digital Signatures)
- Key ISO Works:
  - 🍷 ISO 27099 (PKI Policy & Practices)
  - 🍷 ISO 21188 (PKI for Financial Services)
  - 🍷 ISO 9594-8 (PKI digital signatures and certificates)
  - 🍷 ISO 32000-1 / ISO 32000-2 (PDF Digital Signatures)
- ETSI - Electronic Signatures & Infrastructure (ESI) group
  - 🍷 Trust Service Status Lists (119 6xx): List of CA / TSPs
  - 🍷 CA/TSP for Digital Signatures (x19 4xx): Issuance of Certificates, Time Stamping, Signature Creation Services, Signature Validation Services
  - 🍷 Application Service Providers (x19 5xx): E-Delivery / Emails, Long Term Preservation
  - 🍷 Signature Creation & validation (x19 1xx): AdES Creation & validation, Formats for XML (XAdES), PDF (PAdES), CMS (CAdES), JSON\* (JAdES), Associated Signature Containers (ASiC)
  - 🍷 Signing Devices / CC Protection Profiles (419 2xx): QSCD (Smart Cards / USB Crypto Tokens), QSCD - HSM for CA/TSPs, QSCD - HSM for Signing, QSCD for Remote / Online Signing
  - 🍷 Cryptographic Suites (119 3xx): Hashes, Asymmetric Cryptography, Key Generation, Lifetimes
  - 🍷 General Frameworks (119 0xx): Standards Framework, Common Definition, Guides

## Comparison between ISO and ETSI

Standard	Purpose	Derived from
<b>ISO 14533-1: 2014</b>	Processes, data elements and documents in commerce, industry and administration — Long term signature profiles — Part 1: Long term signature profiles for CMS Advanced Electronic Signatures (CAAdES)	ETSI TS 101 733 / ETSI EN 319 122
<b>ISO 14533-2: 2012</b>	Processes, data elements and documents in commerce, industry and administration- Long term signature profiles-Part 2: Long term signature profiles for XML Advanced Electronic Signatures (XAdES)	ETSI TS 101 903 / ETSI EN 319 132
<b>ISO 14533-3: 2017</b>	Processes, data elements and documents in commerce, industry and administration- Long term signature profiles-Part 3: Long term signature profiles for PDF Advanced Electronic Signatures (PAdES)	ETSI EN 319 142 / ISO 32000-2
<b>ISO 14533-4: 2019</b>	Processes, data elements and documents in commerce, industry and administration — Long term signature profiles — Part 4: Attributes pointing to (external) proof of existence objects used in long term signature formats (PoEAttributes)	Majorly derived from above.
<b>ISO/IEC 20248: 2018</b>	Information Technology- Automatic identification and data capture techniques- Data structures- Digital signature meta structure	This is a barcode / RFID representation ISO/IEC 9594-8 will be base reference.



## Comparison between ISO and ETSI – Gap Analysis

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### **CA/TSP for Digital Signatures (x19 4xx)**

- Signature Creation Services
- Signature Validation Services

### **Application Service Providers (x19 5xx)**

- Long Term Preservation

### **Signature Creation & validation (x19 1xx)**

- JSON\* (JAdES), Associated Signature Containers (ASiC)

### **Cryptographic Suites (119 3xx)**

- Hashes
- Asymmetric Cryptography
- Key Generation
- Lifetimes


## Adoption of following list of standards

#	Type	Standard	Description
1	ISO	ISO 27099	PKI Policy & Practices
2	ISO	ISO 21188	PKI for Financial Services
3	ISO	ISO 9594-8	PKI digital signatures and certificates
4	ISO	ISO 14533-1: 2014	Digital Signature Profiles (Long Term): CAdES
5	ISO	ISO 14533-2: 2012	Digital Signature Profiles (Long Term): XAdES
6	ISO	ISO 14533-3: 2017	Digital Signature Profiles (Long Term): PAdES
7	ISO	ISO 14533-4: 2019	Digital Signature Profiles (Long Term): Attributes pointing to (external) proof of existence objects
8	ISO	ISO/IEC 20248: 2018	Digital Signature in barcode and/or RFID tag data
9	ETSI	x19 4xx	Digital Signatures: Issuance, Creation and Validation
10	ETSI	x19 5xx	Application Providers, Secure Email and Long-Term Preservation
11	ETSI	x19 1xx	Advanced Electronic Signatures for PDF, XML, CMS, JSON*, etc
12	ETSI	419 2xx	Signature Devices and Protection Profiles
13	ETSI	119 3xx	Cryptographic Suites and Algorithms
14	ETSI	119 0xx	General Framework and standards
15	ETSI	119 6xx	Trust Services list, status, and providers

## Further information

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ETSI standards: available for free download: <http://www.etsi.org/standards-search>

- Information on Signatures and Trust Services standards :  
<https://portal.etsi.org/TBSiteMap/ESI/ESIActivities.aspx>
- News list on Signatures and trust services:  
[https://list.etsi.org/scripts/wa.exe?SUBED1=e-signatures\\_news&A=1](https://list.etsi.org/scripts/wa.exe?SUBED1=e-signatures_news&A=1)
- Online training on signature and trust service standards:  
 <https://www.etsi.org/events/1926-webinar-etsi-standards-for-trust-services-and-digital-signatures>
- ENISA Study: Towards global acceptance of eIDAS audits  
<https://www.enisa.europa.eu/publications/towards-global-acceptance-of-eidas-audits>  
<https://esignature.ec.europa.eu/efda/home/#/screen/home>

## Save the date!!!

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BIS is organizing a training workshop on **ETSI standards on digital signatures and trust services** covering in detail:

- Signature formats, Signature creation and Validation procedures,
  - Best practices for signature creation and validation,
- Upcoming EU new regulation on trust services and eID and initiatives for cross recognition of digital signatures
- Date: 21<sup>st</sup> Sept 2023
- Time: 13:30 – 16:30 IST (10:00 to 13:00 CEST)
- Venue: Lal C Verman Hall, Manak Bhavan, BIS, New Delhi
- Mode: Hybrid

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thank you!

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