

Multi-Stakeholder Approach at the National Level

The Brazilian VSS Platform

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MISSION:

PROVIDE CONFIDENCE TO THE BRAZILIAN SOCIETY CONCERNING MEASUREMENTS AND PRODUCTS

PROMOTING HARMONIZATION IN CONSUMPTION RELATIONS, INOVATION AND COMPETITIVENESS

THROUGH METROLOGY AND CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT Inmetro's activities – Quality and Infrastructure:

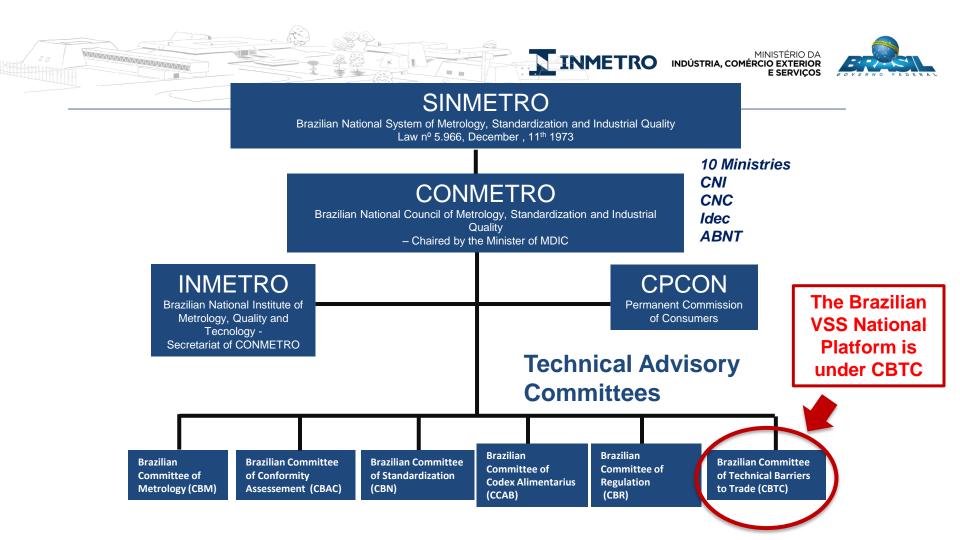
Metrology Institute

Regulatory Agency

National Accreditation Body

Brazilian TBT/WTO Enquiry Point

VSS National Platform





INMETRO CHANNELS OF COMMUNICATION WITH SOCIETY

- OMBUDSMAN AND HEARING DIRECTORATE;
- WORKING GROUPS AND TECHNICAL COMMITTEES UNDER TECHNICAL REGULATION AND ACCREDITATION;
- REGULATORY AGENDA;
- EXPORT ALERT SYSTEM;
- > NATIONAL SYSTEM OF INFORMATION ON CONSUMING ACCIDENTS;
- CONMETRO'S ADVISORY COMMITTEES;
- PROGRAM OF PRODUCT ANALISYS;
- BRAZILIAN NATIONAL PLATFORM ON VSS;
- WORKING GROUP AND STEERING COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL PLATFORM.

Society demands are economy driven.
When economy performs
well \rightarrow more demands.





THE NATIONAL PLATFORM ON VSS

THE WORK OF THE NATIONAL PLATFORM IS AIMING:

- > FULFIL GOVERNANCE GAPS RELATED TO VSS POLICIES;
- PROMOTE INTERACTION WITH GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE SECTOR STAKEHOLDERS; point
- PROVIDE COMPANIES AND CONSUMMERS AWARENESS
 AND ROOM ON VSS IN ORDER TO MEET THE SDG;
- > IMPROVE QUALITY OF THE NATIONAL PRODUCT;
- > TO PROMOTE NATIONAL CERTIFICATIONS THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS;
- > PROMOTE COOPERATION WITH OTHER NP AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS;
- > MITIGATE THE BAD IMPACTS OF BURDENSOME CERTIFICATIONS.

"The key challenge for sustainable production and consumption is to find the equilibrium point between many different stakeholders.

Governments and businesses should work togheter to overcome the caotic proliferation and duplication of standards."



COOPERATIVE WORK ON VSS

REGIONAL WORK:

INMETRO USUALLY COOPERATES WITH BRAZILIAN PARTNERS IN LATIN AMERICA THROUGH THE TBT INITIATIVES IN MERCOSUR (WG-3), ALADI (TBT - AAR-8) AND OTHER BILATERAL PARTNERSHIPS. THESE PARTNERS HAVE BEEN DEMANDING INMETRO FOR CLARIFYING ITS OBJECTIVES ON VSS AND PROPOSING COOPERATIVE WORK ON IT.

EXTRA - REGIONAL WORK :

- WITH NATIONAL PLATFORMS MONITORING THEIR ACTIVITIES AND ESTABLISHING A CLOSE PARTNERSHIP WITH THEM;
- WITH UNFSS ORGANIZATIONS THROUGH THEIR WORK IN DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES RELATED TO VSS, MAINLY RELATED WITH MAPPING ACTIVITIES AND ECONOMIC STUDIES OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT.



INMETRO SCHEMES WITH SUSTAINABILITY GOALS

- > SCHEME ON INTEGRATED PRODUCTION/GAP PI BRASIL;
- > SCHEME ON FOREST CERTIFICATION CERFLOR/PEFC;
- > SCHEME ON ENERGETIC EFFICIENCY PBE ;
- > ENVIRONMENTAL DECLARATION OF PRODUCT DAP/PBACV.











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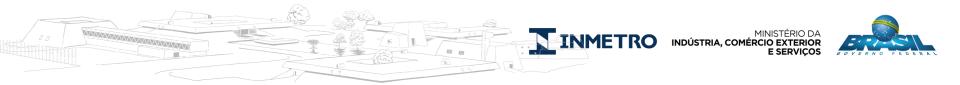
HOMEPAGE OF THE BRAZILIAN NATIONAL PLATFORM ON VSS www.inmetro.gov.br/barreirastecnicas/normas-voluntarias-sustentabilidade.asp





PRIMARY RESULTS OF BRAZILIAN PLATFORM

- Launching events in Brasília e São Paulo with 150 stakeholder from public, private sector and foreing participants;
- Homepage Internet;
- Establishment of a Working Group to execute an Action Plan and a Steering Committee to propose activities;
- Starting the mapping of VSS in Brazil;
- Sharing of experiences with partners abroad mainly DIE/MGG group of countries and other National Platforms (India and China);
- > Proposal of mutual recognition of VSS in Brazilian trade negotiations.



LAUCHMENT EVENTS OF THE BRAZILIAN PLATFORM – BRASÍLIA AND SÃO PAULO

ITERS REAL REAL

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LANCAMENTO DA PLATAFORMA BRASILEIRA DE PADRÕES VOLUNTÁRIOS DE SUSTENTABILIDADE

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CONCLUSIONS

- VSS have a huge implication for business (production companies and service providers), they affect mainly SME being important to assess continuosly their impact;
- The caotic proliferation of VSS are bad for business, to communicate SDGs to the companies clients and provoke misunderstandings to consumers;
- To National Platforms it will be a plus if UNFSS' work also aim in assessing the impact, gathering stakeholders and pushing them to a cooperative work;
- The cooperative work could fulfil structural gaps like: raising awareness, training, QIS and standards and regulation assessment and promote mutual recognition of the certifications mitigating the proliferation of schemes.





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