



## “Who-is-who” in PROSAFE and EMARS



### Finland

#### Introduction

Finland (Finnish name Suomi) is a republic which became a member of the European Union in 1995. Its population is 5.3 million. The capital Helsinki has 561 000 residents. Forests cover three quarters of the country's surface area of 338 000 sq. km.

#### Product Safety Legislation

Implementation of several European Directives covering consumer product safety:

- General Product Safety Directive (2001/95/EC) is implemented in Act on the Safety of Consumer Goods and Consumer Services (75/2004) and in the Act on Notifying the Commission of the European Communities of Measures Restricting the Placing on the Market, Sale and Use of Certain Products Presenting a Serious Risk (76/2004)
- Toy Directive (88/378/EEC) is implemented in the Act on the Safety of Toys (287/1997)
- Personal Protective Equipment Directive (89/686/EEC) is implemented in the Government Decision on the safety of personal protective equipment (1406/1993)
- Machine Directive (98/37/EC) is implemented in the Government Decision on the Safety of Machines (1314/1994)
- Phtalates Directive (2005/84/EC) is implemented in the Government Decree on Phtalates in Childcare Articles and Toys (228/2006)
- Cosmetics Directive (2003/15/EC) is implemented in the Act on Cosmetic Products (22/2005)
- Low Voltage Directive (73/23/EEC) or (2006/95/EC) is implemented in the Electrical Safety Act (410/1996) and Decision of the Ministry of Trade and Industry on the Safety of Electrical Equipment (1694/1993)
- Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) Directive (89/336/EEC) or (2004/108/EC) is implemented in the Electrical Safety Act (410/1996) and in the Decision of the Ministry of Trade and Industry on the Electromagnetic Compatibility of Electrical Equipment (1696/1993)
- Gas appliances Directive (90/396/EEC) is implemented in the Decree on appliances burning gaseous fuels (1434/1993)
- Pressure Equipment Directive (97/23/EC) is implemented in the Act on pressure equipment (869/1999) and Decision of the Ministry of Trade and Industry on pressure equipment (938/1999)

- Simple Pressure Vessels Directive (87/404/ETY) is implemented in the Act on pressure equipment (869/1999) and Decision of the Ministry of Trade and Industry on simple pressure vessels (917/1999)
- The Construction Products Directive (89/106/ETY) is implemented in the Act (230/2003) and in the Land Use and Building Act (132/1999)
- Aerosols Directive (75/324/EEC, 94/1/EC) is implemented in the Decree on aerosols (1433/1993)
- Explosives Directive (93/15/EC) is implemented in the Decree on the certification of the conformity of explosives (1384/1994)

### **Market surveillance Practice**

**Finnish Consumer Agency** is the market surveillance authority for consumer products under the following European Directives:

- *General Product Safety Directive (2001/95/EC)*
- *Toy Directive (88/378/EEC)*
- *Personal Protective Equipment Directive (89/686/EEC)*
- *Machine Directive (98/37/EC)*
- *Phtalates Directive (2005/84/EC)*
- *Cosmetics Directive (2003/15/EC)*

Further information is available on the website [www.kuluttajavirasto.fi](http://www.kuluttajavirasto.fi). This website also provides part of the content in the English language.

**Safety Technology Authority** is the market surveillance authority for products under the following European Directives:

- *Low Voltage Directive (73/23/EEC)*
- *Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) Directive (89/336/EEC)*
- *Gas appliances Directive (90/396/EEC)*
- *Pressure Equipment Directive (97/23/EC)*
- *Simple Pressure Vessels Directive (87/404/ETY)*
- *The Construction Products Directive (89/106/ETY)*
- *Aerosols Directive (75/324/EEC, 94/1/EC)*
- *Explosives Directive (93/15/EC)*

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