



## **Consumer needs and expectations with regard to safe products ?**

- **Consumers expect that products are safe**
- **Highest level of product safety which is possible and practicable should be achieved through legislation, standards and market surveillance.**



## What is the contribution of certification and marking ?

- **3rd party certification marks contribute to levels of consumer safety**
- **CE ≠ safety !**
- **Marks should give info consumers want, reduce testing & certification costs, promote better transparency**
- **Proliferation of marks ☹**



## **Can certification and marking meet these needs alone ?**

- **Certification and marking alone will NOT reduce risks related to products**
- **Enforcement is crucial**
- **Products put on the market shall be safe, no matter how many marks they have on them**