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ANEC and ECOS welcome the **draft Annual Union work programme on European standardisation (AUWP) for 2024** and the planned activities under Ecodesign and energy related standards in several product areas of our interest.

The AUWP also helps our organisations find guidance and plan ahead the activities we envisage in the context of the ReaLIFEstandards Project.

We appreciate the inclusion of new areas now added under the scope of Ecodesign such as mobile phones and tablets and the Digital Product Passport and several sectors that are crucial from a consumer and environmental perspective (such as displays, cooking appliances, heating products, photovoltaic products).

We however ask the Commission to also embrace the renewed ambition of the Ecodesign legislation in the following points in particular:

- **Systematically address material efficiency** aspects in all Ecodesign standardisation requests.
- Include the planned standardisation activities on ecodesign and energy labelling of **computers** (initially planned in the AUWP 2023)
- Include standardisation work on the replacement of serialised parts, as well as **software and firmware updates**, key for material efficiency.

We also call the Commission to consider the following aspects when issuing Standardisation Requests:

- Ensure a smooth and swift adoption of standards on PV products, as well as smartphones and tablets, for which regulation is already published in the OJEU.
- Develop state-of-the-art, accurate and reliable testing methods that allow appliances to be tested in line with real-life operations, such as the compensation method for heat pumps.

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