

## DESIGN OF FIRE RESISTANT INSTALLATION SYSTEMS

### From Tests to new EAD

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## WE OFFER SAFE SOLUTIONS FOR FIRE AND SEISMIC APPLICATIONS



## IN CASE OF FIRE, YOU NEED A SAFE WAY TO EXIT AND RESCUE THE BUILDING

According to the Fire Prevention Code, an **escape route** is an unhindered path to the outflow belonging to the escape system, which allows occupants to reach a safe place from where they are.

Associated with the escape route is the RSET (required safe escape time), the time interval calculated between the firing of the fire and the moment in which the occupants of the activity reach a safe place.

In **hospitals**, RSET is longer compared to other buildings due to the presence of patients who may present mobility difficulties.



## NOT PROPERLY DESIGNED SUPPORT SYSTEMS POSE A SERIOUS SAFETY RISK IN HOSPITAL



HVAC



Medical Gas





Sanitary Water











### HOW TO CREATE FIRE SAFE SUPPORT SYSTEMS IN RESCUE AND ESCAPE ROUTES ?

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## FOR FIRE DESIGN OF MODULAR SUPPORT SYSTEMS, TODAY SOME PROJECT APPROACH ARE STILL BASED ON EUROCODE 3

**Context: e.g. Hospital project** 



Application: e.g. MEP supports in escape routes



Challenge: e.g. F60 fire resistance







Fire design based on Eurocode 3





## IT HAS BEEN PROVED BY MFPA LEIPZIG INSTITUTE THAT EC3 IS NOT SUITABLE FOR DEFORMATION PREDICTION OF CHANNELS



Eurocode 3 was developed for the design of steel structures of buildings and other engineering structures. For installation system design beyond 750°C, the material model needs additional validation.

### FIRE TESTS CONFIRM EC3 INVALIDITY AND SHOW THEIR REAL BEHAVIOR BUT LEAD TO NOT FLEXIBLE DESIGN











### AS A SOLUTION, A NEW EUROPEAN DESIGN GUIDELINE DEFINES HOW TO CALCULATE FIRE RESISTANT INSTALLATION SYSTEMS



#### What are the benefits?

- Empowered by EOTA, European Commission, DIBt and notified bodies: Technical reliability
- Appropriate for wide range of applications: Allows customized design
- Optimized for economical material usage
- ✓ Rules for validated safe design

#### Safe, flexible and cost effective solution

## CPD/CPR LAID THE FRAMEWORK AND DEFINED ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIFFERENT ORGANISATIONS



**CEN:** European Committee for Standardization

- in charge to develop **European Standards** (**ENs**) in many areas, (not only construction products) in particular the **Eurocodes**.

**Design Standards** 



**EOTA**: European Organisation for Technical Assessment (all TABs)

- in charge to develop **European** Assessment Documents (EADs) in the area of construction products.

**Product Assessment Criteria** 



**TABs:** Technical Assessment Bodies (e.g. DIBt, CSTB)

- in charge of the European
Technical Assessment (ETAs)
of construction products.

#### **Product Assessment**

### FIRST EVER EAD & ETA'S FOR MODULAR SUPPORT SYSTEMS THAT ALLOW HARMONIZED FIRE-RESISTANT DESIGN



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# EAD ASSESS FLEXIBLY REAL CHANNEL SYSTEM RESISTANCE & DEFORMATION AND CHECK THE CRITICAL CHARACTERISTICS



#### **1** Finite Element Method (FEM)

Bending resistance and deformation of the channel

**2** Analytical calculation

Elongation of the pipe clamp threaded rod

**3** Fire test & Analytical calculation

Bending resistance and elongation of the <u>suspended</u> <u>threaded rod</u>

#### **Fire test**

4 Pull-out resistance of bored plate

- 5 Pull-out resistance of <u>saddle nut</u> or repeat step 4 for through bolting connection
  - Resistance and deformation of the <u>Pipe clamp</u>



Saddle nut pull-out test



## EAD FOCUS ON 6 KEY CONFIGURATIONS WHICH COVER THE MAIN FIRE RELEVANT APPLICATIONS







# TO DESIGN THESE CONFIGURATIONS ALL RELEVANT TECHNICAL DATA ARE AVAILABLE IN THE ETA'S





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