**Annex 3: Priority topics**

SBS have identified a number of topics which are particularly relevant to SMEs from a standardisation point of view. The topics are categorised into sectors in alphabetical order for readability reasons. **Please note that the list is not exhaustive, and candidates may apply for TCs/SCs/WGs dealing with any other topics than those listed below. A justification of the relevance of the specific TC/SC/WG for SMEs should always accompany the application.**

Please don’t forget to indicate at least one WG under each TC you apply for.

**Construction**

* Sustainability of construction and circular economy aspects
* Assessment of release of dangerous substances
* Energy efficiency and thermal performance of buildings
* Structural Eurocodes
* Building Information Modelling (BIM)
* Fire safety in buildings
* Welding and allied processes
* Design, execution and conformity assessment of metal (steel, aluminium) structures
* Adaptation of the built environment including aspects such as accessibility, access to data, open interfaces
* Performance and safety of construction products

**Electrotechnical**

* Electrical installations
* Light, lighting, luminaires and lamps

**Food safety**

* Sustainable food and traceable food
* Food contact materials
* Residues and pesticides for food

**ICT and Digitalisation**

* Security and privacy
  + Cybersecurity
  + Information security
  + Data protection
  + Privacy
  + Electronic identification and trust services
* Data (data interoperability, etc.)
* Digital skills/competences
* Blockchain and distributed ledger technologies (DLT)
* Internet of Things (IoT)
* Artificial intelligence
* Smart cities, smart houses and domotics
* Quantum computing
* Cloud and edge computing
* Platforms (interoperability, open-source implementation)
* Standardisation in support of the Radio Equipment Directive (RED)
* Software and systems engineering
* Sustainable digitalisation of industries

**Personal protective equipment, consumer safety and textiles**

* Respiratory protective devices
* Protective clothing
* Smart textiles
* Textiles and clothing
* Occupational health and safety management systems
* Packaging safety

**Machinery and machinery components**

* Lifts and Smart lifts
* Tractors and agricultural machinery
* Earthmoving machinery (safety of electrical and electronic components and operating systems)

**Manufacturing**

* Additive manufacturing
* Industrial Automation
* Robotics
* Machinery components

**Sustainability and circular economy**

* Eco-design and resource efficiency including assessment methods for repairability of products (electric devices, textiles, furniture...), re-manufacturing, recyclability, recoverability, declaration of use of critical raw materials…
* Environmental management systems
* Circular economy
* Due diligence and Chain of Custody
* Adaptation to climate change
* Waste and packaging

**Tourism/platforms and leisure**

* Online accommodation booking platform services
* Sport, training and leisure