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**Cooperation in product  
safety benefits all**

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# Cooperation is part of the Strategy and Vision of Tukes

**The new strategy of the Finnish Safety and Chemicals Agency (Tukes), for the period up to 2022, emphasises responsibility, accountability, a risk-based approach, digitalisation and cooperation.**

**We PROMOTE the operational SAFETY of products, services and industrial operations and their reliability.**

**We encourage the operators to be RESPONSIBLE.**

**We steer the operations with a RISK-BASED approach.**





## Promoting safety together

- The Advisory Council on Consumer Safety:  
A standing network of stakeholders of consumer safety to meet and discuss casually on current product and service safety issues, established in Consumer Safety Act. Sharing experiences on RAPEX, for example.
- Self imposed tradition on regular meetings with the major economic operators
- In the future developing safety management tools for SMEs
- Spotting a trend or problem in product safety and to tackle it together: Case example Football goals falling over and causing injury → Drawing up guidelines together with the Finnish Football Association

# Sharing information

- Organizing and participating in education and information sharing events like child safety week, fairs – topic examples: communicating trends, panel discussions, where to find information and how to utilize databases, hinting the areas where to target quality controls, ect.
- Helping the economical operators to meet the requirements by drawing up guidelines and material on our website [Guide for Buyers](#)
- Promoting safety awareness to the consumers together with the Business and other authorities [Online shopping safety](#)



## Boosting the use of RAPEX and other alert databases – Safety is a mutual interest

- Tukes has organized together with the Finnish Grocery Trade Association several educational events - and planning the next one.
- Safety Alert Databases are beneficial to the business in many ways: spotting the trend in non-compliances, better understanding in product group specific risks, avoiding to lost of profits due to purchasing dumped products, avoiding the costs of recalls and withdrawals, ect.
- Business taking advantage of the alert databases benefits the consumers by providing safe products and surveillance authorities by increase of compliance and self monitoring – authorities can concentrate on “the bad apples”.
- Searching with “RAPEX” gives 2550 hits in Tukes’s website for a good reason.

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