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	recognized third-party organization	user inspectorate
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	Article 12	Article 13
	Article 14	annex IV

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Subject: New approach - Clarification on the differents bodies defined in PED

Question: Who are the different bodies who can intervene in the application of PED ?

Answer: In addition to the manufacturer, the directive defines three types of bodies :

- * Notified bodies (see article 12 and annex IV of the directive) :
 - they are involved in the conformity assessment of the products except for module A,
 - they can be specifically designated for delivering the european approval of materials,
 - they can also be specifically designated for the qualifications of welding procedures and welders,
 NOTE : the notified bodies can have their field of intervention limited to some equipement types or to some modules.
- * Recognised third-party organisation (see article 13 and annex IV of the directive) :
 - they are involved in the qualifications of welding procedure and welders (either notified body designated for these tasks or recognised third party organisation) and in the certification of NDE personnel (mandatorily a recognised third party organisation, in France, it will be the COFREND).
- * User inspectorates (see article 14 and annex V of the directive) :
 - they can, under some conditions, replace the notified bodies for the conformity assessment for the modules A1, C1, F and G.

The Member States are not directly involved in the application of the directive but they are responsible of the good functioning of the system at national level (designation and survey of the three different types of bodies indicated above, market survey, safeguard clause on products and on standards).

In France, the Member State will be represented by the Ministère de l'Industrie, with the DRIRE.

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