

## Joint Follow-up Market Surveillance Action on GPSD Products JA 2013

### JA2013 CCA3 - Invitation for an 'Expression of Interest' in the testing of Cots and Travel Cots

The Consumers, Health and Food Executive Agency (Chafea) has signed a grant agreement with PROSAFE (the Product Safety Forum of Europe) for a Joint Action which will include a programme of tests on cots, travel cots and items that can be combined with them in use, i.e. to assess cots and travel cots against the recently amended EN standard.

In this Action nine Member States (BE, BG, CZ, DE, GR, IS, MT, NL and PT) are participating. The project is co-funded by the European Union. Important stakeholders such as ANEC, CEN TC 207, the European Nursery Product Confederation and the European Child Safety Alliance are also involved as observers.

We are enquiring whether your institution is interested in being considered to undertake the testing for this project. You must be able to undertake all the tests detailed within EN716-2:2008+A1:2013 and potentially some others that are not yet fully specified.

The timing for this programme of tests is envisaged to begin on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2015, with the final test reports delivered by 1<sup>st</sup> June 2015. The total number of different models to be tested is not expected to exceed 50. Tests will be required on:

Cots  
Cots with accessories  
Travel or folding cots  
Travel or folding cots with accessories

If this study is of interest to your institution, we request that you submit an 'expression of interest' to the Activity Coordinator ([r.morrison@s2e4.com](mailto:r.morrison@s2e4.com)) and copy in the Activity Leader ([chroni@efpolis.gr](mailto:chroni@efpolis.gr)) and the PROSAFE Office at [info@prosafa.org](mailto:info@prosafa.org) by 4<sup>th</sup> November 2014. Within your expression of interest please provide details of your:

- Testing experience of cots, travel cots and items that can be combined with them in use;
- Experience/knowledge/ideas for testing beyond EN716, particularly in regards to: cot accessories, a rattle test, a test for the risk of collapse if another child crawls underneath;
- Laboratory's relationships with cot manufacturers;
- Involvement with/details on your work within standardization;
- Relevant accreditations;
- Ability to deliver the test reports in English.

If you are shortlisted, we will provide you with full tender documentation by 17<sup>th</sup> November 2014, for submission to PROSAFE (to include your full costings) by 5<sup>th</sup> December 2014.

We look forward to receiving your response to this request.

Yours faithfully,



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