



# **ANNUAL REPORT 2025**

**(RELATING TO THE YEAR 2024)**

**COMMITTEES & WORKING GROUPS**

**Achievements 2024  
Ongoing Actions 2025**

**EUROPEAN LIFT ASSOCIATION**

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## A message from Wim Koster

Dear Reader,

Here we are with the 2025 Annual Report, which provides a brief overview of the main activities carried out by ELA over the past year (2024).

In this easy-to-read document, you will find not only statistical and financial data but also the key topics addressed by our Committees and Working Groups.

It reflects the excellent work done by our experts, who represent the 23 Associations, official members of ELA.

For each Committee, the topics of focus for the current year (2025) are also outlined.

The annual report, as the main tool of communication, is completed with the President's report, provided during the annual General Assembly.

The projects developed by the Association in collaboration with other business associations are announced in the annual report, along with ongoing activities with European institutions and international cooperation initiatives.

At the 2025 Conference (Warsaw, May 22, 2025), further updates and highly relevant technical information for our sector will be made available to our members, who are encouraged to engage with the ongoing activities.

I invite you to read this document carefully. For any needs or clarifications, please feel free to contact the Association's Secretariat directly at: [info@ela-aisbl.org](mailto:info@ela-aisbl.org).

Kind regards,

**Wim Koster**

President

## ELA Financial Statement

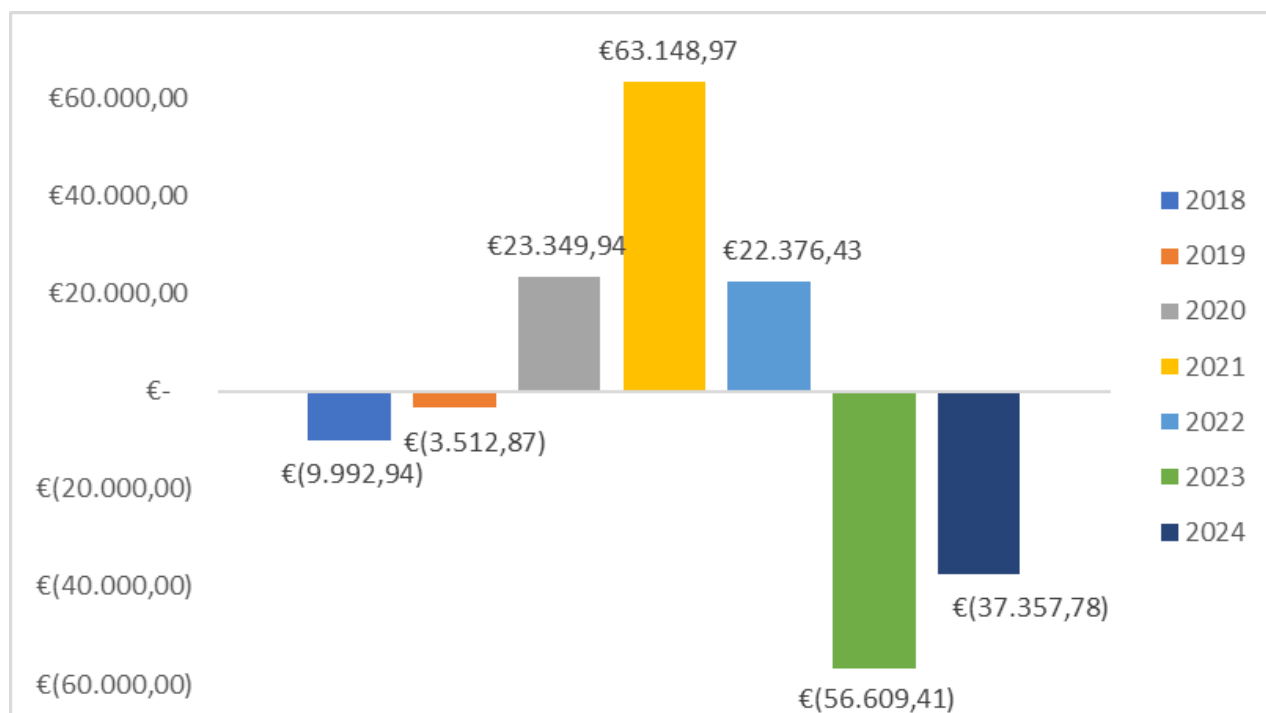
The Association confirms its commitment to a management based on the principles of prudence in incurring new expenses and absolute transparency in the visibility of the accounts towards the members.

Every year the financial decisions and activities of the association are reported in the financial statements. These financial statements are then audited by the statutory auditor to provide the assurance that they are complete and accurate. The development of the balance sheet total as well as the result of the years can be viewed graphically below:

### Total Balance Sheet evolution since 2018



### Net Result evolution since 2018



A very meticulous and detailed work, as developed by the members of the Budget Committee, supported by the expertise of the Association's accountant and the daily assistance provided by the ELA Staff.

The year 2024 closed with a balance sheet as of December 31st 2024 of euro 601 561.95 with a loss of euro 37 357.78.

The year 2023 closed with a balance sheet as of December 31st 2023 of euro 659 010.49 with a loss of euro 56 609.41.

The year 2022 closed with a balance sheet as of December 31st 2022 of euro 663 582.89 with a profit of euro 22 376.43.

The year 2021 closed with a balance sheet as of December 31st 2021 of euro 614 669.57 with a profit of euro 63 148.97.

The year 2020 closed with a balance sheet as of December 31st 2020 of euro 539 104.90 with a profit of euro 23 349.94.

The year 2019 closed with a balance sheet as of December 31st 2019 of euro 537 288.01 with a loss of euro 3 512.87.

The year 2018 closed with a balance sheet as of December 31st 2018 of euro 516 927.34 with a loss of euro 9 992.94.



## Statistical Information

### Lifts and Escalators 2024

|                            |                 |
|----------------------------|-----------------|
| Countries                  | 32              |
| Employees                  | 170 800         |
| Existing Lifts             | 6 850 000 Units |
| Existing Escalators        | 172 000 Units   |
| New Lifts 2024             | 142 500 Units   |
| New Lifts 2024 (Value)     | 6 Billion €     |
| Lift modernization (Value) | 1.8 Billion €   |
| New Escalators 2024        | 3 345 Units     |
| New Escalators (Value)     | 390 Million €   |









## Codes & Standards Committee

### Achievements in 2024

- Supporting the finalization of EN ISO 8100-1/-2
- Putting the ELA-Interests on the agenda for the new standardization request for the EU Machinery Regulation
- Preparing and following-up on the evaluation of the Lifts Directive (LD) in cooperation with the LM WG

### Ongoing Actions in 2025

- Depending on the EU Commission decision regarding review of the LD, to prepare ELA positions and to communicate them to the EU Commission
- To follow the standardization activities for Cyber Resilience Act (CRA), AI Act and Data Act, to achieve best process for conformity assessment procedure with the use of Presumption of Conformity
- To prepare for the gap analysis for EN ISO 8100-1/-2





## Lifts & Machinery WG

### **Achievements in 2024**

- Providing comments on survey on Lifts Directive
- Providing comments and position on other EU regulations, such as Cyber Resilience Act (CRA) and General Product Safety Regulation (GPSR)
- Active participation and providing input to the Notified Bodies for Lifts Forum (NB-L) meetings

### **Ongoing Actions in 2025**

- EU Commission review of the Lifts Directive
- New Machinery Regulation and its roll-out
- Providing comments and proposals for ELA position on the European regulatory developments



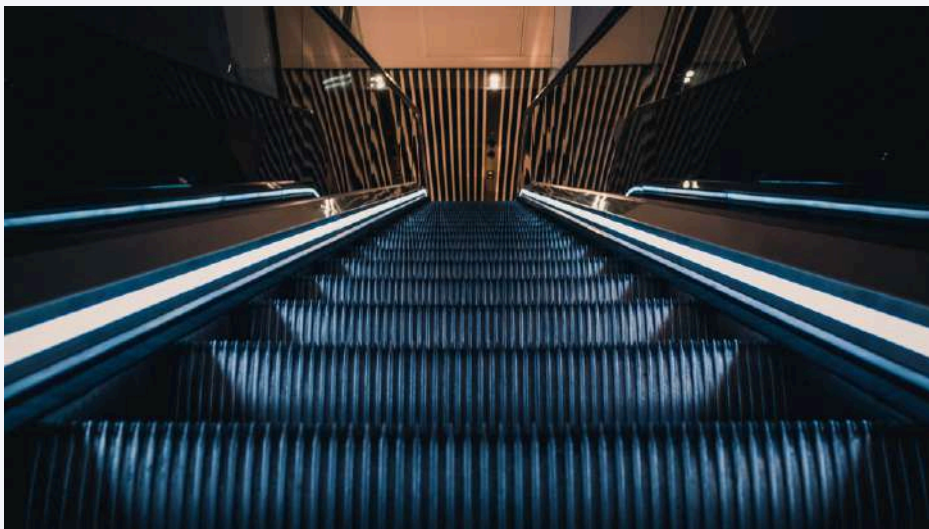
## Escalators & Moving Walks WG (ESMO WG)

### Achievements in 2024

- Following-up the implementation of the EU Machinery Regulation.
- Preparation of an overview of the EN115 family (including New EN115-5)
- Preparation of an overview of the ISO Road map for Escalator and Moving Walks

### Ongoing Actions in 2025

- To follow-up the implementation of the EU Machinery Regulation
- Finalization and publication of an overview of the EN115 family (including New EN115-5)
- Finalization and publication of an overview of the ISO Road map for Escalator and Moving Walks





## Safety, Accessibility & Energy Efficiency in Existing Lifts WG (SAEL WG)

### Achievements in 2024

- Publication of the ELA White Paper on Modernization and its executive summary
- Regular communication and deployment campaign regarding the SAEL White Paper
- Publication of an Information Note on EN-81-70:2021 +A1:2022 (Summary of the document and main changes from EN 81-70:2003)

### Ongoing Actions in 2025

- White Paper on New lifts in existing buildings without lift shafts
- Regular communication and deployment campaign regarding the ELA White Paper on Modernization
- ELA position on modernization of existing lifts and any deliverable requested to support ELA Committees and WG on this subject (e.g. the update of ELA Accessibility Survey)





A black and white photograph showing a close-up of a hand pressing a button on a control panel. The panel has several buttons, some with symbols like an upward arrow. The hand is wearing a light-colored sleeve.

## Telecommunication WG (TELCO WG)

### **Achievements in 2024**

- Publication of the Phase out of legacy telecommunication technology (2G/3G/PSTN) Information Note

### **Ongoing Actions in 2025**

- TELCO will proceed in accompanying the transition to a fully digital connectivity for the lifts and escalators. It will address the cybersecurity and operational aspects of VoIP





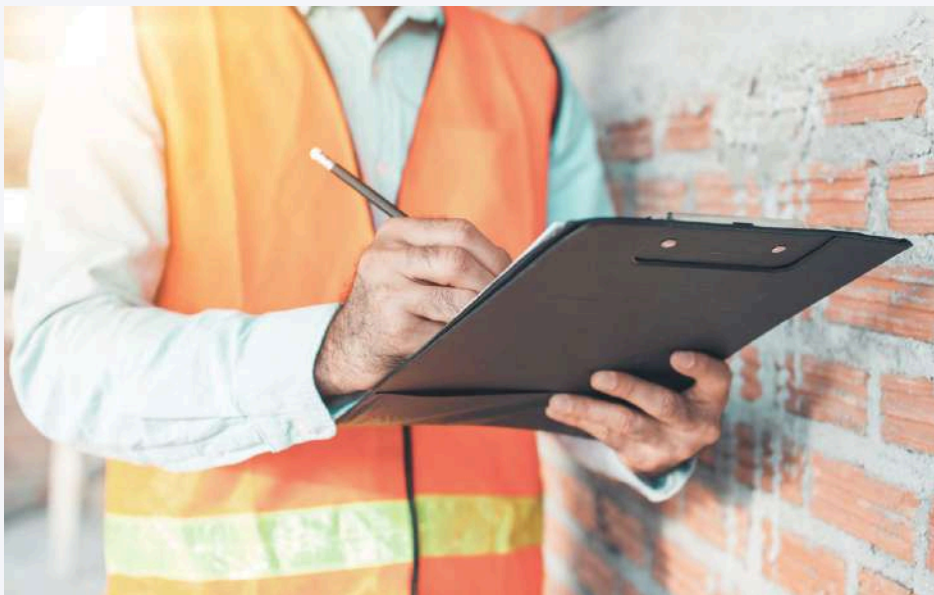
## Standardization WG

### Achievements in 2024

- Compiling the Codes & Standards with influence on the lift industry
- Prioritization of standards which are needed

### Ongoing Actions in 2025

- After the publication of EN ISO 8100 – the compiled list of Codes & Standards will be matched to reveal potential for simplification in the list





## Components Committee

### Achievements in 2024

- New Mission Statement
- Mapping of the main standards used worldwide and impacting the components
- Cooperation with the Digitalization & Cybersecurity Committee

### Ongoing Actions in 2025

- ISO 8100 -1/2 Revision Component Impact
- Digital & Cybersecurity Normative Component Impact
- Sustainability Impact on Component
- European Duty on Import/Export of component - monitoring



## Digitalization & Cybersecurity Committee

### Achievements in 2024

- Publication of the ELA position Paper about Digital Lift Logbook
- Publication of the ELA Information Note about Digital Lift Logbook
- Providing technical support to the Legal Committee for EU Data Act Information Note

### Ongoing Actions in 2025

- To prepare technical overview of EU Data Act implementation
- To lead analysis work for EU Cyber Resilience Act





## Energy & Environment Committee

### Achievements in 2024

- Co-preparing/-organizing the ELA 2024 Conference including the reporting of the Eco data collection
- Draft SRI white paper
- Introducing/stimulating cross committee collaboration, starting by launching EPBD Task Force

### Ongoing Actions in 2025

- Building a cross functional Task Force on ELA position in regards of EPBD (proposal)
- Advice on non-product related topics, such as decarbonization, deforestation and comm. & regulatory engagement
- Appointing of a cross committees Policy tracker (proposal to ELA Board) to be able to timely advice ELA Board on changes and priorities





A small globe with a grid pattern, showing continents and oceans, is placed on a patch of dry grass. The globe is slightly tilted, and the grass is in soft focus.

## Product Ecology WG

### Achievements in 2024

- Continuous monitoring and assessment of initiatives from the EU Policy Framework (Green Deal & Fit for 55) and revised/recast product ecology related EU Regulations
- Publication of the Information Note about new Battery Regulation
- Eco data collection finalized and reported at ELA Conference 2024 in Istanbul
- Participation in public consultation of revised GPI and PCR

### Ongoing Actions in 2025

- To support on the elaboration of an ELA position towards an inclusion of lifts in the EPBD with the next revision
- To prepare an Information Note on assessment of initiatives coming from the EU Policy Framework and product ecology related EU Regulations
- Revision and validity extension of c-PCR-008 for lifts
- To prepare a questionnaire for the next eco data collection to be launched in 2026





## Smart Readiness Indicator WG (SRI WG)

### Achievements in 2024

- Consolidation of the SRI draft White Paper for Lifts and Escalators
- ELA SRI participation to external regulatory Committees
- SRI external communication promoting e.g. iSRlc Karlsruhe

### Ongoing Actions in 2025

- SRI White Paper for regulatory assessment
- SRI projects monitoring of the SRI testing phase with Member States and with SRI Platform
- Technical Guideline for SRI for Lifts and Escalators



## Safety, Education & Training Committee

### Achievements in 2024

- Engaged the EU Commission in order to have qualification levels for lift installer minimum skills to be recognized and implemented within the EU
- Proposed the roadmap of Fatality Prevention Strategy

### Ongoing Actions in 2025

- Lift installer minimum skills guideline to be recognized, promoted and implemented at European level
- Fatality prevention strategy focus on safety high risk awareness education for lift technicians installer, maintainers, modernization and repairer
- To develop minimum skills guideline for modernization technicians





## Statistical Committee

### Achievements in 2024

#### European Data

##### **Collection of Industrial and Basic Statistics 2024**

- Collection of the number of Existing Lifts and Existing Escalators for 32 European Countries
- New Lifts and Escalators (units and value) for 32 European countries and other EMEA Countries (Middle East and Africa)
- Modernization (value) and development of Replacement Lifts for European countries
- Number of employees for 32 European countries

##### **Half year collection (1. Half 2024) of Industrial Statistics for Netherlands and Germany**

##### **Analysis of number of Existing Lifts 2000- 2024 and age of Existing Lifts**

#### Worldwide Data

##### **Non-EU data collected from Member Associations of WEEF**

- data on existing lifts/escalators and
- data on new lifts/escalators
- **Suggestion for a worldwide collection of statistical data on 7 April 2025 by Ebru Gemici-Loukas at the WEEF Meeting in Frankfurt**

#### Accident Statistics

##### **Finalization of Accident Statistics 2024**

- Lift Accident Statistics 2024 with main risks referring to SNEL
- Escalator Accident Statistics 2024 with main risks referring to SNEE

### Ongoing Actions in 2025

#### Modernization of Statistics

- Improvement of collected data (Definitions, additional items to collect, etc.)
- Modernization of collection process

#### Worldwide data in the frame of WEEF

- Non-EU data collected from Associations outside of Europe to get worldwide data
- Data on existing lifts/escalators and data on new lifts/escalators
- To establish a worldwide yearly collection of statistical data concerning new lifts and existing lifts



## Budget Committee

### **Achievements in 2024**

- Four committee meetings spread throughout the year to review the financial situation in terms of the income, expenses, and cash position to ensure financial stability of the association
- Production of a budget proposal for 2025 to be approved at the next General Assembly of May 21st 2025
- Close follow-up with ELA Staff of the costs versus budget for the new ELA premises project
- Onboarding of 2 new members in the Committee

### **Ongoing Actions in 2025**

- To monitor, validate & control financial situation, including income & costs and impact on cash position
- To maintain the financial control framework and the planning cycles by performing 2025 forecasts and proposing a budget for 2026
- To review possible optimisation of costs & income (SLA, Membership fees, ...)
- To close all open topics with previous landlord (Cofinimmo)
- To support ELA staff to find a new bank partner for the association



## Legal Committee

### **Achievements in 2024**

- Finalized ELA Information Note on the EU Data Act
- Supported ELA Committees/Working Groups from legal perspective
- Professional contribution and legal assistance in support of the Association's activities

### **Ongoing Actions in 2025**

- Following key EU regulatory developments and provide a forum to discuss legal issues as appropriate
- To support ELA Committees/Working Groups from a legal perspective while ensuring strict adherence to regulatory requirements









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