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The German Institute for Building and Civil Engineering
Department of Public Law

- This institute was founded in 1968 by the Federal German Government. It deals with construction tasks in the field of public law.

What does it do?

- DIBt grants European Technical Approvals (ETA) for construction products and drafts guidelines for ETAs on the basis of the Construction Products Directive (89/106/EEC of 21 Dec 1988).
- DIBt grants National Technical Approvals (Allgemeine bauaufsichtliche Zulassungen) for construction products and types of construction on the basis of the building laws of the German federal states.
- DIBt recognizes testing laboratories, inspection bodies, and certification bodies according to the Construction Products Law, which has European relevance, or according to the building laws of the German federal states.

What are National Technical Approvals?

- National Technical Approvals are proof that a construction product or type is fit for its intended use.
- National Technical Approvals are awarded when European harmonized specifications for construction products and types do not yet exist and when there are no German standards or regulations in existence either.
- National Technical Approvals are valid in German federal states.