

Achievements in the European Social Dialogue of Construction EFBWW - FIEC

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Joint positions on EU legislative acts

- Enforcement Directive
 - o Avoiding country-of-origin principle
 - o An open list of what Member States can do
 - o Including false self-employment
- Seasonal Workers Directive
 - $\circ \quad \text{Exclude the building sector from the directive} \\$
 - o Equal treatment
- Intra-Corporate Transferee workers Directive
 - o Equal treatment
 - $\circ \quad \text{Avoiding secondary posting with country-of-origin principle} \\$
 - o Including workers' rights in secondary posting

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- Posting of Workers Directive
 - o Host-country principle, not country-of-origin principle
 - Efficient implementation of directive
 - o Measures against circumvention
- Public Procurement Directive
 - Not lowest price, instead MEAT
 - o Possibility to include social criteria
- Cross-border portability of occupational pension rights
 - o Pension rights to workers, not transfer of funds between countries

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Joint position on non-legislative acts

- Bogus self-employment in construction industry
 - o Project and study national experiences
 - Joint position combating bogus self-employment, criteria for employment rights: 1) subordination, 2) economic dependency
 - o Joint EU seminar, dissemination of conclusions
- Undeclared labour
 - o Joint position (in position on bogus self-employment)
 - o Conference
- Crisis in the construction industry
 - o Joint position





Joint projects, examples

- Promoting paritarian funds in Eastern European countries
 - o EU conference
 - o Study of national experiences
 - o Website: http://paritarian-funds-construction.eu
 - o Bilateral contact meetings
- EFBWW-FIEC website on posting
 - o Website http://www.posting-workers.eu
- Social ID cards in construction
 - o Study, national models
 - o European seminar on possible EU actions

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Occupational Safety and Health

Joint positions on non-legislative acts

- Commission strategy on OSH 2013-2020
- REFIT
- New hazards/risks due to nano-products
 - o Study
 - o Seminar
- Earth-moving machineries on work-sites
 - o Working-group

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Projects

- Guide for developing OSH management systems
 - o Brochure
 - Seminar
- Information modules for safer handling of asbestos
- Dissemination of the Guide for OSH management and for safer handling of asbestos

OSH campaigns

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Youth issues and vocational training

- EFBWW-FIEC tutorship brochure, including best practices on how to attract and retain young workers in the construction industry
 - o Brochure
 - o European seminar
- Attracting and retaining young workers
 - o Web-site (under construction)
 - o European seminar
- Feasibility of a sector skills council for construction industry; setting up a platform
 - o Study
 - o EU seminar



European Sectoral Social Dialogue – current trends

- EU obliged by the Amsterdam Treaty to promote ESD
- Cutting down on resources less meetings, interpretation etc
- Ignoring results and agreements between the European Social partners recent examples hairdressers agreement and fishery agreement
- REFIT and "Better Regulation" agenda
- Commission wants a "harmless" and non-critical ESD