



CONFERENCE

REDUCTION OF ACCIDENTS IN THE FURNITURE INDUSTRY

Friday 14 December, 2007

Sheraton hotel in Porto
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Porto 4100-476 – Portugal

Chairman of sessions:

Mr. Rodrigo Rodriguez – President of the EU social dialogue sector committee furniture

Morning session

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| 09.30 – 10.00 | Registration of participants |
| 10.00 – 10.15 | Opening speech by Mrs Anneli Sillanpää – Head of sector - European Commission - Employment, Social Affairs & Equal Opportunities DG |
| 10.15 – 10.25 | The Furniture Industry Accidents Reduction (FAR) Project – Mr. Rodrigo Rodriguez – president of the UEA social affairs committee |
| 10.25 – 10.35 | The Portuguese situation – Mr. Rui Ramos – APIMA – Portuguese Furniture Manufacturers Federation |
| 10.35 – 10.50 | Number of accidents in the furniture industry in the EU27 – Mr. Pavlos Kimtsaris – UEA – European Furniture Manufacturers Federation |
| 10.50 – 11.10 | “Segur-mad” or how to safely work with machines – Spanish example – Mrs. Maria Tenes – AIDIMA – Spanish furniture technical institute |
| <i>11.10 – 11.30 Coffee break</i> | |
| 11.30 – 11.50 | Preventing accidents in the industry – Belgian example – Mrs. Ria Bekker - Fedustria – Belgian Furniture Manufacturers Federation |
| 11.50 – 12.10 | Machinery operator’s license to furniture industry machinery – Danish example – Mr. Ulrik Spannow – Bat-Kartellet – Danish trade union |
| 12.20 – 12.40 | Best practices to reduce accidents – A company example (Fournier – France) - French example – Mrs. Elisabeth De Sablet – UNIFA – French Furniture Manufacturers Federation |
| 12.40 – 13.00 | Questions & Answers |





13.00 – 14.30 Lunch

Afternoon session

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| 14.30 – 14.45 | Pay attention to what you do – Safety instructions for people working with machines – Dutch example – Mrs. Janneke Waage – FNV Bouw – Dutch trade union |
| 14.45 – 15.00 | Best practices to reduce accidents – A sector and national approach - British example – Mr. Alistair Bromhead – BFM – British Furniture Manufacturers Federation |
| 15.00 – 15.15 | Workers' involvement to identify and prevent risks of accidents – Italian example – Dr. Fabio Strambi – USL 7 Siena/Italy – Prevention institution for industrial medicine |
| 15.15 – 15.30 | Activities related with accidents prevention by the European Agency for Health & Safety at work – Mrs. Michaela Seifert – OSHA - Spain |
| 15.30 – 16.15 | Round table and discussion: how to implement and follow up the results of the FAR project? UEA, EFIC, EFBWW, OSHA & European Commission participants |
| 16.15 | End of conference |

Interpretation is available in four languages: Portuguese, English, French & German

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