

# Working group 3: The new strategic framework on OSH 2014-2020

- Who should we know to lobby with
- Who do we know already, which procedure to follow to know
  - UEMS-Commission
  - Etui
  - SLIC
  - ACSH
- What actions to take to full the gap?

# Other influencing factors

- OSH Bilbao
- DG V
- Surveys like ESENER 2
- ....

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- Which statements to make?
- We want to be in the operational plans before the documents come
- Importance and specificity of our specialty, what is the task of occupational physicians,
- Occupational diseases and work related diseases

# Seven key strategic objectives

## 4. Simplifying existing legislation

Objectives of the REFIT program by end 2015, will be taken as part of the 2016 review of the strategic framework

**Statement:**

**Not demanding periodical medical exams but more important role in reintegration, ageing and fit and ability**

**Actions:**

- Identify possible simplifications and reductions
- How to simplify the implementation of risk assessment for micro-enterprises in low-risk sectors

# Seven key strategic objectives

5. Address the ageing of the workforce, emerging new risks, prevention of work-related and occupational diseases

Actions:

- Establish a network of OSH professionals **UEMS must be involved** and scientists
- Promote good practice to improve OSH conditions for specific categories of workers: older workers, younger workers, apprenticeships, workers with disabilities and women???. **We don't agree to differentiate for all these groups. Good work is good for everybody**
- Promote rehabilitation and reintegration measures by implementing the results of the European Parliament pilot project on older workers and of the Healthy Workplaces Campaign in 2016-2017 **We want to help to work this out, this is the main task of occupational medicine**
- Identify and disseminate good practice on preventing mental health problems at work **We want to be in this discussion**

# Seven key strategic objectives

## 6. Improve statistical data collection and develop the information base

### Actions:

- Assess the quality of data on accidents at work
- By end of 2016: examine options for the availability and comparability of data on occupational diseases **Workgroup 2**
- Before 2016: discussion on starting a database on occupational exposures **Seems very difficult and not relevant**
- Before 2016: develop a tool to monitor the implementation of the EU strategic framework, including policy and performance indicators building on the 2009 strategy scoreboard **Being informed and evaluate**

# Who in the group?

- Alenka
- Christian
- Pedro
- Milan
- Simon
- Mari Cruz
- Tom

# To commissioner Marianne Thyssen

- Make some statements:
  - Happy with the new strategic framework
  - Ready to help in achieving the goals certainly in strategic goals 4; 5; 6
- We want to play an active role
- In collaboration with
  - Her administration
  - OSH- Bilbao

# Meeting with Marianne Thyssen

- Present:
  - Commissioner
  - Cabinet responsible
  - Administration responsible (Stephan Olsson) since November 2015
  - Responsible for handicapped at work
- Simon and prof. Lode Godderis

# Short presentation of UEMS OMS

- Who are the representatives
- 2 meetings a year
- Working groups
- Work in questionnaire 2013

# How to influence EU-policies?

- Having an expert role and function??
  - Difficult, no real no, certainly no yes
- Themselves are largely influenced by
  - Tripartite like ACHS, SLIC
  - European Parliament
  - Member states and focal points

Their role as commission and also EU-OSHA is a difficult equilibrium

# EU-campaign and strategic framework

- We were positively surprised
  - Importance of general health promotion and link with OSH management
  - Longer working: start early
  - RTW and the role of the occ. Phys. in it
  - Multidisciplinarity in OSH
  - Working with HR in the companies
  - Importance of OHS in SME's

# What are they interested in ?

- REFIT has to be realized in 2016, can you give us feedback on the EU-directives and guidelines?
- Data on outcome of actions, legislation...
- Occupational diseases and work related diseases how to uniform, what is objective?
- Carcinogenic agents and TLV-values
- RTW after cancer

# How to work from here

- Former DG5 has to be reorganized, are too far from the rest of the administration. After reorganization Olsson will recontact us
- Organize a conference call at EU with EU-OSHA
- Work together with them

# Conference call at EU with EU-OSHA

- Several dates, finally in april
- Proposition to have a next meeting in Bilbao, we can meet in their building
- Having a representative in our next meeting, getting to know each other and see how to collaborate

# From now

- I'll let Mr Olsson know that we were happy with the contribution of Katalin
- Repeat we're always available for whatever question or problem in OH they might have
- Ask if a meeting with the former DG5 is interesting
- We applied to be an official partner for the EU-campaign