

Working Environment Challenges for the Future

International Expert Seminar

Copenhagen, 24-25 September 2009

Danish Working Environment Authority

Partnership for European Research in Occupational Safety and Health (PEROSH)



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A New Danish Working Environment Strategy 2010-2020

- The work chaired by the Working Environment Authority in the Ministry of Employment
- The National Research Centre for the Working Environment provides research-based background knowledge and counseling
- This international expert seminar is a first input to the process
- The process will involve the social partners and be concluded with a parliamentary agreement



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Priorities and goals until 2010

Working environment problem	Goal for reduction by 2010	Measured as
Work accidents	20%	Injury, loss of earning capacity, sickness absence
Psychosocial working environment	10%	Sickness absence
Noise •Hearing impairing noise •Annoying noise	15% 10%	Hearing impairing noise in specific sectors, self-reported noise
Musculoskeletal disorders	Social partners unable to agree on goal which therefore subsequently was set by the minister to 10%	Sickness absence



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Aim of the seminar 24-25 September 2009

“Seek to identify growing, emerging and new working environment challenges as well as characteristics of the future labour market such as its degree of inclusiveness in relation to individual vulnerability, overweight, etc.”



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Output from the seminar

A PEROSH report on www.perosh.eu based on

- Submitted written contributions from the experts and an executive summary of
- The expert presentations and
- A panel discussion seeking to identify
 - The European Top-5 working environment prevention challenges
 - The European Top-5 future working environment research topics

A video presentation of the seminar on www.perosh.eu



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Programme – 24 September

12.00 – 13.00	Lunch at the National Research Centre for the Working Environment
13.00 – 13.10	Introduction and welcome Dr. Palle Ørbæk, Chairman of PEROSH
13.10 – 13.40	How is the working environment changing during the next decade with respect to each country Dr. Agnès Parent-Thirion – European Foundation for Working and Living Conditions (Dublin)
13.40 – 14.00	Forecast on new and emerging risks related to occupational safety and health – View of the European Agency Dr. Eusebio Rial González – European Agency for Safety and Health at Work (Bilbao)
14.00 – 14.20	Future Challenges to the Working Environment – Comments of an Accident Insurer Dr. Dietmar Reinert – BGIA (Germany)
14.20 – 14.40	Coffee break



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14.40 – 15.00	Forecast on future occupational safety and health challenges in Europe and Italy Dr. Sergio Iavicoli – ISPESL (Italy)
15.00 – 15.20	Foresight in Germany Dr. Karl Kuhn – BAuA (Germany)
15.20 – 15.40	Forecast on future challenges in the work environment in Québec (Canada) Dr. Marie Larue – IRSST (Canada)
15.40 – 16.00	The Entry of Self Leadership into the Work Environment Equation Dr. Pia Bramming – NRCWE (Denmark)
16.00 – 16.20	Coffee Break – Sandwiches



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16.20 – 16.40	Occupational Safety and Health Research Needs Dr. Frédéric Lerais – INRS (France)
16.40 – 17.00	Forecast on future working environment challenges in Finland Dr. Mikko Härmä – FIOH (Finland)
17.00 – 17.20	Working Environment Challenges for the Future – The Norwegian perspective Dr. Pål Molander, Dr. Stein Knardahl – STAMI (Norway)
17.20 – 17.40	Future working environment challenges in the Netherlands Dr. Joost Van Genabeek – TNO Work and Employment (Netherlands)
17.40 – 18.00	Closing of day 1 – Bus leaving for Ibsens Hotel at 18:15
20.00	Dinner for the experts at Restaurant Aamanns, Øster Farimagsgade 12, Copenhagen



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Programme – 25 September

8.45 – 9.00	Coffee and welcome
9.00 – 9.20	Future challenges with respect to the electromagnetic component of the working and living environment Dr. Jolanta Karpowicz - CIOP-PIB (Poland)
9.20 – 9.40	Horizon Scanning and Futures in the Health and Safety Executive – Selected Topics Dr. Peter Ellwood – Health and Safety Laboratory (United Kingdom)
9.40 – 9.50	Coffee break
9.50 – 12.20	Plenum discussion seeking to identify - the European Top-5 working environment prevention challenges - the European Top-5 future working environment research topics. Chairman: Dr. Glen Winzor – NRCWE (Denmark)
12.20 – 13.30	Lunch



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