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Twinning Project: Health and Safety at Work

WHY this project:

In the Republic of Croatia there are several institutions dealing with various aspects of safety at work and health protection, but there was not established an efficient system that presumes logical and effective procedure in realization of needed rights and obligations of all the stakeholders in the system.

The implementation of legal obligations is supervised by the State Inspectorate, which was strengthened significantly from the operational and technological points of view in 2007.

The intention of the project is to strengthen the administrative capacities of the relevant institutions, especially to design the system IT network including the Croatian Institute for Health Protection and Safety at Work, Croatian Institute for Health Insurance, State Inspectorate's Labour Inspection, Ministry of Economy, Labour and Entrepreneurship – Safety at Work Department and all relevant institutional subjects, that would enable enormous rationalization of time and costs related to data collection, registering, processing and subsequently accessibility.

WHAT are the project overall objective and purpose:

Overall objective of the Project is to increase the effectiveness of the occupational health and safety system in Croatia in line with the EU standards, as well as to strengthen the administrative capacity of all relevant institutions related to health protection and safety at work, in line with the benchmark for Chapter 19 – Social Policy and Employment of the negotiations, in process of Croatia's accession to the EU.

The main goal of the project is to establish the efficient system and network of occupational health and safety (OHS) institutions in order to link existing and the new data bases as well as registries that will help to perform activities of OHS institutions in accordance with EU regulations and practice. The results will be focused on the increasing institutional capacities of all relevant institutions.

WHAT are the project components:

Component 0: Visibility events

Component 1: Croatian Institute for Health Protection and Safety at Work and Croatian Institute for Health Insurance

Component 2: Ministry of Economy, Labour and Entrepreneurship – Safety at Work Department

Component 3: State Inspectorate of the Republic of Croatia, Labour Inspectorate

Component 4: Concept development of the IT network and supporting software for all institutions

Component 5: Strengthening of the network amongst all institutions and improving cooperation and coordination

Each component includes a complex set of activities planned logically and bringing together efforts and synergies of all involved twinning partners.

WHAT results to be achieved:

The following mandatory results will be accomplished:

- All structures and procedures necessary for the functioning of the Croatian Institute for Health Protection and Safety at Work established and administrative capacity of the CIHPSW strengthened, professional knowledge and skills of personnel within Croatian Institute for Health Insurance improved;
- Increased administrative capacity of the Safety at Work Department in the Ministry of Economy, Labour and Entrepreneurship - necessary skills and knowledge to the personnel transferred;
- Administrative and performance capacities within State Inspectorate of the Republic of Croatia-Labour Inspectorate increased in order to be more specialized in the field of work and safety at work;
- Concept of the IT network and concept of the statistical software developed;



- Networking amongst Croatian OSH institutions strengthened.

HOW long the project takes place:

The project duration is 18 months.

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