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### **Social Dialogue Committee for the Construction Sector**

#### **Working Party on Employment**

**EFBWW**

**45, rue Royale, Brussels**

**17 November 2006**

The meeting was chaired by Mr Laux. He welcomed the participants and read out the agenda, which was adopted.

#### **1. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of 27 April 2006**

The minutes were approved.

#### **2. Portability of pension rights**

##### *FIEC-EFBWW Impact Assessment*

With financial aid from the Commission, the social partners in the construction sector had launched an impact assessment of the implementation, at European level, of portability of supplementary pension rights. The study was being carried out by Professor Jorens, whose assistant made a presentation, including slides, on its main aspects.

The social partners also discussed the seminar that had taken place in Luxembourg on 11 October 2006 assessing the impact that the proposed directive would have on improving the portability of pension rights. The minutes of that meeting were circulated.

The social partners stressed the need to have a finished study by January at the latest so as to be able to bolster their lobbying on this subject.

EFBWW suggested to FIEC that they give consideration to a joint position on the basis of a draft that it had already prepared.

### **3. Undeclared work in the industry and construction sector**

EFBWW announced that the research project on this subject was being finalised and that the translations were being carried out. The English-language version was available (75 pages).

With a view to the forthcoming conference in Helsinki on this theme, the social partners compared their different versions of the draft joint recommendations on undeclared work. After a very thorough discussion, the drafting group was assigned the task of coming up with a revised text as soon as possible.

The Commission reminded the meeting that, in order to be in line with the type of texts adopted through the social dialogue, the recommendations document would have to include a monitoring clause. The social partners agreed with adding this point.

EFBWW summarised the progress that had been made concerning the preparations for the conference in Helsinki on 14 and 15 December 2006.

### **4. Posting Directive 96/71/EC**

FIEC and EFBWW commented on the report on this issue drawn up by the European Parliament, in the person of Ms Schroedter (who could not attend this meeting). The social partners approved the analysis and expressed satisfaction at their fruitful cooperation during the lobbying process.

### **5. Data bank**

Laetitia Passot made a Powerpoint presentation on progress with the project for a shared data bank aimed at facilitating the mobility of posted workers through knowledge of the national conditions for posting, particularly as regards working conditions, health and safety and formalities to be completed. She explained that a provisional internet site had been set up, on which it was possible to assess the quality of the work carried out to date.

EFBWW criticised the way in which some national reports had been drafted and the conditions of cooperation with the "Ius Laboris" network, which was the contractor in charge of establishing the network and the site. EFBWW believed that, as things stood, it could not validate the reports drawn up for some countries (e.g. France).

It was decided that, after an examination of the provisional site, the secretariats would continue cooperating with a view to reaching an agreement on the validation and definitive establishment of the data bank.

### **6. Proposal for a Directive on services in the internal market**

The Directive on services in the internal market had been definitively adopted by the European Parliament at second reading on 15 November 2006.

## **LISTE DE PRESENCES**

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<b>DUFOUR Karine</b>	<b>FR</b>
<b>GABELLIERI Bruno</b>	<b>BE</b>
<b>GHEYSEN Jean-Paul</b>	<b>BE</b>
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