



**Draft Work programme of the social partners of the
leather/tanning sector for 2012
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1. Introduction

Seeking to play their role fully and to improve the quality of their sectoral dialogue, COTANCE and ETUF:TCL, social partners at European level in the leather and tanning sector, adopt the following work programme for 2012.

This work programme, supported by the social partners at national level, also aims to improve the interrelation of the autonomous sectoral social dialogue at European level with, on the one hand, the dialogues at national level, and on the other hand, the cross-sectoral dialogue at European level.

The programme also comes within the scope of the follow-up to the Commission's Communication dated 26 June 2002 entitled "*The European social dialogue, a force for innovation and change*", and one dated 12 August 2004 entitled "*Partnership for change in an enlarged Europe – Enhancing the contribution of European social dialogue*".

It links also to the Europe 2020 Strategy that includes as one flagship "*An industrial policy for the globalisation era*" and that foresees the setting up of a framework for a modern industrial policy. Finally, it relates to the implementation of some aspects of the Commission Staff working document of 22 July 2010 on "*The functioning and potential of European sectoral social dialogue*".

The programme is structured around a number of sections: trade, industrial and social policy.

Sections	Themes	Objectives	Actions
Trade	WTO / DDA	<p>Follow-up of the development of negotiations on market access for non-agricultural products (NAMA)</p> <p>Problem concerning export restrictions of raw materials Non-tariff barriers</p> <p>Indication of origin</p> <p>Promoting the Market Access Working Group on Leather Monitor FTA development with 3rd countries</p>	<p>Social partners/ DG Trade</p> <p>Social partners /DG Trade</p> <p>Social partners /DG Trade</p> <p>Social partners/ DG Trade/ national authorities</p>
Industrial	<p>Action plan</p> <p>Access to raw materials– industrial policy</p>	<p>Following up the update of the programme aimed at “Promoting competitiveness and employment in the European leather and tanning sector”</p> <p>Contribution to and follow-up the Communication from the Commission on Security of Supply with non-energy Raw Materials.</p> <p>Regulation on leather terms and labelling Raw Material initiative New EU industrial policy</p>	<p>Social partners / DG Ind-Enterprise</p> <p>Social partners/ DG Ind-Enterprise</p> <p>DG Industry Unit of M. Aguinaga/ Social Partners and stakeholdes</p>
Social	Training	<p>Projects “Skills needs” and “EQF”</p> <p>ESCO</p> <p>European sectoral skills Council</p> <p>Project training of teachers in technology in schools of the general system</p>	<p>SP and DG Employment/ Social partners</p> <p>Pilot project/ social partners</p> <p>Social Partners</p>
	Social dialogue	<p>Transparency of origin</p> <p>Manage restructuring in a social acceptable way</p>	Project/ SP/ DG Employment
	<p>Framework agreement / code of conduct</p> <p>Framework agreement/ social reporting</p>	<p>Rewiew</p> <p>Implementation pilot- project II</p>	<p>SP/DG Employment</p> <p>Social partners/ DG employment</p>
	Health and Safety at work	<p>Stress prevention due to restructuring</p> <p>Follow-up (“online risk assesment”) OIRA</p>	implementation

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