

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities DG

Social Dialogue, Social Rights, Working Conditions, Adaptation to Change **Social Dialogue, Industrial Relations**

SECTORAL DIALOGUE
COMMITTEE
RAIL TRANSPORT

Work Programme 2008-2009

Adaptability and Interoperability

- Implementation and follow-up of the CER/ETF agreement on a European licence
 - * Identification of the provisions now covered by Directive 2007/59/EC of 23 October 2007 to be directly implemented by the companies: June 2008
 - * Clarification on how to deal with the issues not covered by the Directive but part of the social dialogue agreement: by the end of 2008
 - * (Identification and discussion of issues dealt with by the Directive but not covered by the social partners' agreement with a view to possibly address new issues: by October 2010)
- Follow-up, evaluation and review of the ETF/CER agreement on certain aspects of the working conditions of mobile workers engaged in interoperable crossborder services
 - * Follow-up of the implementation and application of the agreement (Clause 10): joint project 2008-2009 (FS)
 - * Evaluation of the provisions of the agreement in the light of initial experience in the development of interoperable cross-border transport (Clause 11): two years after signing
 - * (Review of the provisions of the agreement (Clause 12): as from July 2010)
- The impact of European rail freight restructuring on employment Joint study: running till October 2008 (SNCF)
- ERTMS "test tracks" and the system's impact on employees Joint project: 2008-2009 (EIM)
- Technical specifications for interoperability (TSIs)

 Consultation of the social partners on the draft TSIs according to Directive
 2004/50/EC: following the work of the European Railway Agency and DG TREN's agenda

Employability and Equal Opportunities

- Better representation and integration of women in the railway sector Yearly follow-up of progress of joint recommendations of 12 June 2007 by way of questionnaire
- Insecurity and feeling of insecurity in local public transport Follow-up of the recommendations of 13 November 2003
- Follow-up of the joint recommendations on the concept of employability of 4 October 2007

Organisation of a conference on 7 October 2008 in Potsdam, Germany (DB)

• Demographic change and attractiveness of the sector (to be specified)

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