

## **EUROPEAN COMMISSION**

Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities DG

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

SECTORAL SOCIAL DIALOGUE
COMMITTEE
INLAND NAVIGATION

## Work programme 2009-2010

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1. Working time social partner agreement	Reaching a social partner agreement on working time for the inland waterways sector	September 2009	
Objectives:	Expected results:		
a. To identify possible shortcomings and items which raise interpretational problems	a. A drafting group will check all linguistic versions of the draft text and complete the draft with items that got lost in editing.	11 <sup>th</sup> May 2009	
b. To launch a consultation with the social partners' constituencies on the draft social partner agreement	b. The social partners will put the final draft agreement before their respective constituencies and defend the position reached as it will be formulated in the final draft agreement.	b. From 12 <sup>th</sup> May till 31 <sup>st</sup> August 2009	
c. The outcome of the consultation process will be discussed within the sectoral social dialogue committee and possible amendments/improvements will be negotiated.	c. Where the social partners agree the final draft agreement will be adapted.	c. 17 <sup>th</sup> September 2009	
d. Implementation by a Council decision on a proposal from the Commission	d. The social partners will send a joint request to the Commission asking for the implementation of the Agreement by a Council decision (according to Article 139 (2) of the EC Treaty).	d. 27 <sup>th</sup> November 2009	

2. Job profiles	Working party with the aid of Platina <sup>1</sup> and Edinna <sup>2</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> semester 2009 and 1 <sup>st</sup> semester 2010	
Objectives:	Expected results:		
To establish EU job profiles for all functions in inland waterways and the establishment of EUminimum standards for training and education in inland waterways	a. Compendium of job profiles b. Minimum standards for training and education in EU inland waterways		

3. Harmonisation of manning requirements		2009-2010	
Objectives:	Expected results:		
To discuss and explore scope for agreement on the establishment of a social partner standard on manning requirements	a. Take stock of the various manning regulations within EU b. Develop a social partner position on the possible Commission proposal on manning requirements c. Develop a social partner agreement on manning requirements		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> http://ec.europa.eu/transport/inland/promotion/platina\_en.htm

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> http://www.edinna.com/

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4. Improvements of on- board working and living conditions and access to port side facilities	Work package Platina on infrastructural improvements will serve as a guideline for discussion in the sectoral social dialogue committee.	2010	
Objectives:	Expected results:		
a. To take stock of the present rules and standardisation methods	a. Invite an expert to the sectoral social dialogue committee to update social partners on current legislation and standardisation methods.  Invite an expert of Platina to update social partners on possible infrastructural access improvements.		
b. To discuss and explore scope for establishment of social partners recommendations for improving the working and living conditions on board	b. Develop social partner recommendations for improved working and living conditions		

5. Unfair competition in inland waterways		2009-2010	
Objectives:	Expected results:		
a. To collect case studies on social dumping and unfair competition	a. Compendium of case studies on social dumping and unfair competition		
b. To discuss and explore scope for establishment of social partner recommendations on fair competition	b. Develop social partner recommendations on fair competition		

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