Sector Social Dialogue Committee of the European Chemical Industry





Work Programme 2016-2017

This two-year programme agreed between the European Chemical Employers Group (ECEG) and industriAll European Trade Union (industriAll Europe) at the plenary meeting of the Sector Social Dialogue Committee of the Chemical Industry on 13 October 2015, is to be linked to the Social Partners Roadmap 2015-2020. In line with the European Commission's criteria and agreement of 3 March 2015 for project VS/2015/0033, the Roadmap serves to implement this work programme partially or in full.

The Commission supports 2 working group meetings and 1 plenary meeting of the Sector Social Dialogue Committee per year. These will be devoted to the following topics.

TOPICS	ACTIONS	WHO	OBJECTIVES	TIMELINE
1. Competitiveness, RDI and management	Initiatives of the European Commission on RDI:	ECEG & industriAll Europe	Joint Statement on innovation	September 2016
of change	- follow & support	Secretariats		
	Digitisation:	National associations (TBD)	Case based studies	End of 2017
	-Joint assessment			
	Nanotechnology	ECEG & industriAll Europe	Joint circular letter/press	January 2016
	EESC CCMI initiative on "Nanotechnology for a competitive	Secretariats	release	
	chemical industry":			
	-disseminate EESC opinion			
	Impact assessment on possible review of REACH Annexes:	ECEG & industriAll Europe	Joint opinion if necessary	Early 2016
	- follow up and contribute	members of the SSDC		
	EU Quality Framework for anticipation of change and	ECEG & industriAll Europe	TBD	TBD
	restructuring (COM (2013) 882:	Secretariats		
	-follow up, involve and consult our respective national			
	associations			
	Rubber Sector:	ECEG & industriAll Europe	TBD	Early 2017
	- pursue cooperation	Secretariats		
	- joint action if possible			

2. Occupational Health and Safety,	Responsible Care:	ECEG & industriAll Europe	New memorandum of	End of 2016
Responsible Care	Develop wider active platform	Secretariats CEFIC	understanding	
3. Employment and demographic change	Sustainable employment and career development	ECEG & industriAll Europe members of the SSDC	Voluntary agreement	End of 2016
4. Education, training and lifelong learning	Cooperation with ESCO & CEDEFOP: -promote better anticipation of future skills needs -help bridging the skills gap	ECEG & industriAll Europe Secretariats National associations	TBD	End 2016
	European Alliance for Apprenticeship -follow up - share best practices and develop apprenticeship programmes + specific programmes for young people without school leaving certificates	ECEG & industriAll Europe Secretariats National associations	TBD	TBD
5. Framework Agreement on Competence Profiles	-dissemination of the Framework Agreement at national and company level, especially to SMEs	ECEG & industriAll Europe Secretariats National associations		2016
	- monitoring of the Framework Agreement	Plenary		2017
6. Industrial and climate change policy	COP 21, EU ETS, energy & climate change policy: - follow up and contribute	ECEG & industriAll Europe members of the SSDC	Joint position on energy/ETS	2017
7. Roadmap 2015-2020	Follow up: - receive progress reports from project evaluation & steering group	ECEG & industriAll Europe members of the SSDC		February, September , December 2016 March, June, October 2017
	-decide on possible corrective actions	WGs & Plenary		

ECEG and industriAll Europe agree that changes to the subjects listed in this work programme will be possible, if and whenever both parties agree on it. This work programme is valid until the end of 2017.

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