

SECTORAL SOCIAL DIALOGUE COMMITTEE FOR PORTS
WORKING GROUP MEETING 12 JUNE 2019
REPORT

Chair: Mr Guy Vankrunkelsven

1. Approval of the draft agenda

The agenda was adopted.

2. Approval of the report of the SSDC Working Group meeting of 15 March 2019

The report was adopted with changes as proposed by the social partners.

3. Safety on board: workshop with ECSA

ETF informed that a workshop on safety on board with participation of ECSA is scheduled on 18 October, back-to-back with a SSDC meeting. The social partners discussed content of the workshop. Representatives of the Commission services (DG MOVE and DG EMPL) will be invited. Draft agenda will be circulated shortly.

4. Fumigation: presentation of the draft guidelines

FEPOR presented the draft guidelines. The working group will continue work to address all feedback aiming to finalise the guidelines for the October SSDC meeting.

5. Presentation a draft work programme 2019-2020

The social partners continued to exchange ideas on future focus areas and work methodology. It was agreed that the work programme will be developed in a smaller working group with participants from all organisations following internal consultation in the respective organisations. The aim is to present a draft work programme for the October SSDC meeting.

As a follow up to the joint social partners' project "The changing face of ports: socio-economic impact of market-based and technological developments on EU ports" the social partners agreed to issue a joint statement voicing concerns about the challenges that the sector faces.

6. Any other business

- a. Niek Stam, ETF informed that new "Dockers Clause" in the International Bargaining Forum (IBF) agreements¹ will come into force on 1 January 2020.
- b. Next SSDC meetings will take place on **18 October**.

¹ <https://www.itfglobal.org/en/news/new-dockers-clause-international-bargaining-forum-agreements-come-force-6-months>