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DRAFT MINUTES OF HEALTH AND SAFETY WORKING GROUP MEETING

29 MARCH 2012

Chairman: Mr Rolf GEHRING (EFBWW)

Commission representatives: Mr Carlos LOPES (DG EMPL)

Participants: See annex.

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda is adopted.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING (27 SEPTEMBER 2011)

The agenda is approved.

3. NEW COMMUNITY STRATEGY ON OSH 2013/2020

Mr Gehring (EFBWW) made a short presentation.

He evoked the Report of the European Commission and the EP Resolution.

Mr Gehring suggested a joint document of the sectoral social partners.

Mr Lauwaert (CEI-BOIS) agreed with the EFBWW proposal.

A joint document will be approved during the next plenary meeting (24th May 2012).

4. JOINT STATEMENT ON MACHINERY AND WOOD DUST

After a small debate, the sectoral social partners agreed to prepare a joint letter to be sent to several bodies with the joint declaration on working conditions and wood dust.

5. WOOD DUST BROCHURE

According to the decision of the last SD plenary meeting, EFBWW is preparing an application for a follow-up project in the framework of the BL 01. Mr. Gehring reported about the state of affairs.

The brochure will be translated in several new languages and several one-day seminars will be organised in different countries.

Mr Lopes (DG EMPL) informed the participants on the 2012 deadlines.

6. NEW OSHA CAMPAIGN ON RISK PREVENTION

Mr Gehring informed the participants that yesterday OSHA organised a partnership conference in Brussels to present the new campaign "Working together for risk prevention". The prevention culture was underlined.

OSHA does not finance activities, but support stakeholders activities.

7. AOB

With the occasion of its upcoming departure, Mr Lopes (DG EMPL) expressed its gratitude towards the social partners for the cooperation and good work during all this years.

The social partners (EFBWW and CEI-BOIS) thanked Mr Lopes for its work on behalf of the European Social Dialogue in the Wood Sector.

C. LOPES