

Sector Social Dialogue "WOOD"

WORK PROGRAMME 2013

POLICY AREA	TOPIC	WHO	OUTPUT
Industry policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Following the EU initiatives and policies in the wood industries 	Social partners	Reports to the plenary meeting Own statements
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Following innovation policies and fostering innovative action in the sectors 	Social partners	Reports to the plenary meeting Own statements
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Aging workforce 	Plenary	Running joint activities on the European level
Training and Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ EU policies in the area of VET 	Social partners wood and furniture	Project on upholstery and cabinet making
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sector Skills Council 	Workgroup/Plenary	Assessment of the use for the wood sector. Possible cooperation with the furniture sector

<p>Health & Safety</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ New EU strategy on Occupational Safety and Health for the period 2013 - 2020 ▪ EU policies in this area, especially the revision of the Carcinogenic Directive (2004/37) ▪ Social Partner Project: translation of the wood dust brochure & organisation of seminars in 4 countries 	<p>Workgroup / Social partners</p> <p>Workgroup</p> <p>Workgroup/Plenary</p>	
<p>Demographic changes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Introduce a social partner project on the issue (call September 2013) 	<p>Both social partners</p>	<p>Project</p>
<p>Environmental policies</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Legally binding agreement on forests in Europe 	<p>Social partners</p>	<p>Application for a project and joint declaration</p>
<p>Competitiveness</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discussions about the EU Forest strategy and the blueprint for the Forest-based industries 	<p>Both social partners</p>	<p>A joint position on the future competitiveness of the Woodworking sector in Europe</p>