# OSH and transport EU-OSHA activities road safety

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### Brief description role of EU-OSHA



- European body based in Bilbao
- Key role to support the collection, sharing and exchange of information on occupational safety and health
- Governing Board of governments, employers and workers organisations
- Working with a network of 'focal points' in EU member states, candidate countries and EFTA. And with key organisations worldwide



Road transport - European and international cooperation built up since 2008

- European Transport Safety Council (ETSC) PRAISE
  - o Workzone safety, maintenance
  - o 2010 and 2011 brunch
  - o National events in ES, GR, DE, UK, FR
- DG EMPL ACSH working party guide for transport occupations
- UN Decade of Action on Road Safety 2011-20
- > NIOSH/ Global occupational road safety initiative
- DG MOVE, European Charter for road safety
- Other contacts:
  - European Chemical Transport Association (ECTA) participation in event 2009, Responsible care in EU chemical land transport
  - o Eurosafe EU injury prevention network supported by DG SANCO
  - Participation in inter-Agencies meeting 2008 of transport-related agencies (EMSA, CFCA, EASA, ERA) – accidents statistics
  - o EASA ECAST Ground Safety Working Group
  - o EU Parliament committee on transport & tourism
  - o National contacts (ES, FR, UK, DE, HE, etc.)
  - o EU road association







# **Promotion 2011**

#### Pre-launch activity (due to popular demand!)

o Excellence in Road Safety Awards - European Road Safety Charter, Feb. 2011

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- o ETSC PRAISE Athens event, March 2011
- o RAC Madrid event

#### Official launch of EU-OSHA materials 11 May 2011

- to coincide with official launch of the United Nations Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020
- o to specific media under the common framework

#### > Further promotion at events in Europe, including:

- European Transport Safety Council (ETSC) in Brussels, and national events
- o International Transport Forum in Leipzig, May 2011
- **o** A+A, Oct. 2011 + Oct. 2013
- o World conference, Sep. 2011
- o on the WHO/ UN World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims, Nov 20, 2011



Summary of findings from EU-OSHA Risk Observatory `OSH in Figures Transport Sector' report

- More and more women
- Transport workforce is ageing
- High proportion of migrant workers



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- Multiple exposures to physical, psychosocial & organisational risks
- Exposure to dangerous substances and biological agents underestimated and underassessed!
- Varying working hours (working evening, shifts, at night, weekends)
- Violence is an increasing risk and underreported!
- Health problems: insomnia, digestive, long-term fatigue, musculoskeletal, asbestos-related, hearing loss, infectious diseases, accidents due to falls.
- Technological equipment distractive and challenging
- Working at clients premises and on the road limited scope for adaptation and healthy lifestyles
- Speed of change and growth a particular challenge for OSH

http://osha.europa.eu/en/publications/reports/transport-sector\_TERO10001ENC/view



# A few findings from EU-OSHA case studies

European Agency for Safety and Health at Work
WORKING ENVIRONMENT INFORMATION
WORKING PAPER
Managing risks to drivers
in road transport

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Road risk part of OSH management, part of business management!

- Drivers self-employed, very experienced +independent:
  - o Ensure approaches are **practical but not patronising**.
  - Ensure advice and solutions based on drivers' experiences: Involve drivers in risk assessment, developing solutions, Use drivers as advocates, Allow sufficient time
  - o Use places they frequent stop areas etc.

#### Customer and stakeholder involvement too

- o Where deliveries are made
- o Passengers, school children
- o Road safety groups, transport ministries etc.
- Large organisations to set OSH standards for delivery contractors etc.
  - can stimulate these SMEs to adopt same standards with other clients.
- > New technology in cabs can be used for OSH purposes
- OSH solutions may lead to more time to carry out tasks:
  - o to be recognised in work organisation & working time.
- Training must be part of organisational system to prevent risks with clear management commitment



http://osha.europa.eu/en/publications/reports/managing-risks-drivers\_TEWE11002ENN/view

# EU-OSHA resources promotion MAY 2011 road transport drivers

- o Case study report Managing occupational risks to road haulage/bus drivers
- Delivering the message Review of OSH programmes & campaigns in road transport
- Review of good practice information available for taxi drivers and motorbike & bicycle couriers.
- o Review of some specific accidents in the sector: good practice lessons
- OSH in Figures Transport sector report (Risk Observatory) country reports and thematic report
- o E-facts 47 Health promotion in the transport sector
- o E-facts 56 Maintenance and work-related road safety
- o Web feature and database of links to good practice
  - <u>http://osha.europa.eu/en/topics/road\_transport</u>
  - <u>http://osha.europa.eu/en/topics/rail\_air\_water\_transport/</u>
  - Already available
    - o Facts18 Preventing Road Accidents Involving Heavy Good Vehicles (All EU official languages)



o E-fact 2 - Preventing vehicle accidents in construction

#### **Publications**





**OSH** in figures Occupational safety and health in the transport sector — An overview

European Agency for Safety and Health at Work EUROPEAN RISK ORSERVATORY REPORT

 Case study report - Managing occupational risks to road haulage and bus drivers
 Delivering the message - Review of OSH programmes and campaigns in road transport
 Review of available good practice guidance for taxi drivers
 Review of available GP guidance motorbike & bicycle couriers
 Review of some specific accidents in the sector: good practice lessons

OSH in figures

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Transport -Summary report + 17 country reports

# Road transport web pages, and also pages covering the other transport sectors



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NAPO DVD on workplace transport http://www.napofilm.net/en http://osha.europa.eu





### **Electronic tools**

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# Vesafe – European Commission

Working on /near roads Workplace transport safety Safe driving for work



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# Oira – EU-OSHA

Risk assessment tool for transport sector France, upcoming ES, PT, SV





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