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  - a bank;
  - a travel agency;
  - a laundry service;
  - a post office;
  - an internet point;
  - a recreation room;
  - facilities for outdoor and indoor sports;
  - medical service.

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National Programmes and Systems of Occupational Safety and Health

Background

According to International Labour Organization (ILO) estimates, every year about 2,000,000 workers lose their lives in occupational-related diseases and accidents in the world. Other figures show that workers suffer more than 250 million accidents and more than 160 million workers fall ill each year due to workplace hazards. In addition to this human and social tragedy, the economic losses due to poor working conditions and the number of accidents and diseases, all contribute to more than 4% of the world’s Gross National Product.

The huge human suffering and the social and economic costs of occupational accidents and diseases for a country should mobilize stakeholders to undertake more determined policies and actions to guarantee occupational safety and health (OSH). Although the national legislation of most countries and the ILO International Standards clearly place the responsibilities of different stakeholders to tackle this problem, low priority and poor results are frequent.

Effectively facing this problem at national level requires the consideration of various principles (preventive approach, social partners’ participation, institutional co-ordination, continuous improvement, etc.), and the undertaking of various actions (law enforcement, training, promotion, information gathering, etc.). The successful experience of many countries demonstrates that integrating these principles and actions into a National OSH Policy with a common philosophy and goals, and securing appropriate organization and administration could enhance the efficiency and impact in improving health and safety conditions at work, reducing occupational injuries and diseases. The ILO Occupational Safety and Health Convention (No. 155) and Recommendation (No. 164), both adopted by the ILO in 1981, provide useful guidance on these issues.

In pursuit of a safe and healthy working environment for all workers, each country has to develop an effective national OSH system as a collaborative effort of the government and stakeholders, including the government institutions in charge of the planning, implementation and management of OSH at the national level.

The programme may also be of interest to other people such as researchers, trainers or consultants in this field.

Objectives

The general objective of this course is to strengthen the capacity of planning, developing and governing the national efforts to improve the OSH. Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:

- Explain the ILO principles, concepts and experience related to National OSH Governance.
- Describe the organizational models and operational arrangements of selected countries for the OSH national governance as well as its policies.
- Analyse the needs and requirements of their respective countries for an effective national OSH Governance.
- Establish conclusions and recommendations on the feasibility of applying the analysed approaches and experiences to their national and institutional contexts.
- Advise on the formulation, implementation and evaluation of national policies, strategies and programmes with regard to the prevention of occupational accidents and diseases.

Participants’ profile

The course aims at:

- Policy makers, senior officials and advisers from government institutions in charge of the planning, implementation and management of OSH at the national level.
- Workers’ and employers’ representatives involved in the decision-making process on OSH at the national level.
- The programme may also be of interest to other people such as researchers, trainers or consultants in this field.

Methodological approach

The methodology will be centred on the participants and the learning process, with the support of facilitators. The training methodology will use active methods for learning, making use of the knowledge and the experience of participants, promoting a permanent communication among participants, through group work and discussions that will facilitate their own total integration and participation in the course activities.

Applications to participate in the course should be done “on line” in the following webpage:
http://intranetp.itcilo.org/STF/A909118/en
no later than 30 September 2016.

The filled-in application form should be accompanied by a nomination letter from the sponsoring institution indicating how the participant will be financed.

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