

sults achieved by the project, examine findings and lessons learnt, and discuss the way forward with stakeholders, development cooperation partners and policy makers

- Mr. Viktor Shaytan, First Deputy Head of the State Service on Mining Supervision and Industrial Safety of Ukraine: "I highly appreciate the project's contribution in occupational safety and health in Ukraine"

16. The challenge today is that national stakeholders continue to pursue their joint efforts to ensure that safety and health programmes are implemented and reach the concerned beneficiaries. A key element is the allocation of human and financial resources to implement the national programme and carry forward the work achieved to date.

17. During the national steering committee meetings, which gathered regularly the main stakeholders involved in OSH in Ukraine, and during the activities carried out by the project, as well as during the final conference, the following were expressed by national stakeholders as needs for follow-up and reinforcement of the project's action in the field of OSH in the future in Ukraine:

- Widespread implementation of the management systems approach



in the enterprise based on ILO-OSH-2001, implementing risk assessment and management methods;

- Ratification of the ILO Convention No. 187;
- Implementation of the provisions of ILO Conventions ratified by Ukraine;
- Improvement of the national system for recording and notification of occupational accidents and diseases;
- Development of a sustainable system for occupational health services aimed at the prevention of occupational diseases;
- Reinforcing social partnership, establishing and supporting effective safety and health committees;
- Development of economic stimuli for employers;
- Further improvement of the system of social insurance against occupational accidents and diseases;
- Promotion and support of the development of a preventative safety and health culture; and awareness-raising activities.

Organizations of employers in Ukraine have demonstrated great commitments to OSH issues and consider developing a project proposal focusing on occupational safety and health in metal and mining industries of Ukraine as a follow up to this project.





- The joint ILO-EU project "Improving Safety and Health at Work through a Decent Work Agenda" had an overall goal to contribute to a more inclusive and productive society through a reduction in occupational accidents and work-related diseases.
- It was implemented over two years between 2010 and 2012 in five pilot countries (Eastern Europe: **Republic of Moldova and Ukraine**; Central America: **Honduras**; Southern Africa: **Malawi and Zambia**)
- The pilot countries were selected by the ILO and the EU on the basis of their national commitment to improve safety and health at work, as witnessed by the formal agreements between governments, employers' and workers' organizations in the Decent Work Country Programmes (DWCPs).
- In Ukraine, as in many countries around the world, safety and health at work is a major concern. It is reported that over 600 people die each year as a result of their work in Ukraine, and that non-fatal occupational accidents reach over 1000 per year. However, it is likely that these figures are largely underestimated in as much as reporting

of occupational accidents and diseases is far from being systematic.

- The project aimed at incorporating occupational safety and health (OSH) at the highest level in the national political agenda, developing national programmes on OSH on a tripartite basis and translating them into action at the workplace.

6. Specific Objectives

Specific objective 1: A systematic approach to improving Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) is taken on board at the highest political level, including consideration of OSH concerns in national development policies in the pilot countries.

Specific objective 2: Practical OSH management measures are introduced and implemented at enterprise level in accordance with national action plans.

Specific objective 3: Global knowledge sharing on OSH tools and good practices is promoted with the purpose of developing a systematic and sustainable approach to OSH improvements.

7. In Ukraine important results were achieved and have laid the ground to reach the development goal of the project, which is a reduction in the number of occupational accidents and work related diseases.

8. The results achieved in cooperation with ILO tripartite constituents include:

9. An updated national profile, which is a situational and needs analysis on occupational safety and health in Ukraine and includes recent changes in legislation, procedure for investigation of accidents, etc.

10. The draft of the State Programme on Improving Occupational Safety and Health, Hygiene and the Working Environment for 2012 – 2016 and a chapter in the Global Strategy for development of Ukraine on how to reform the national OSH system

11. Network of trainers in risk assessment and management methodologies:

- Trainings were organized towards business leaders, worker representatives and safety and health specialists, so that they could in turn educate and disseminate the principles of OSH at the enterprise



essment and management system in their educational programmes, as part of their general curriculum. Trainings will be conducted by the Center on a regular basis.

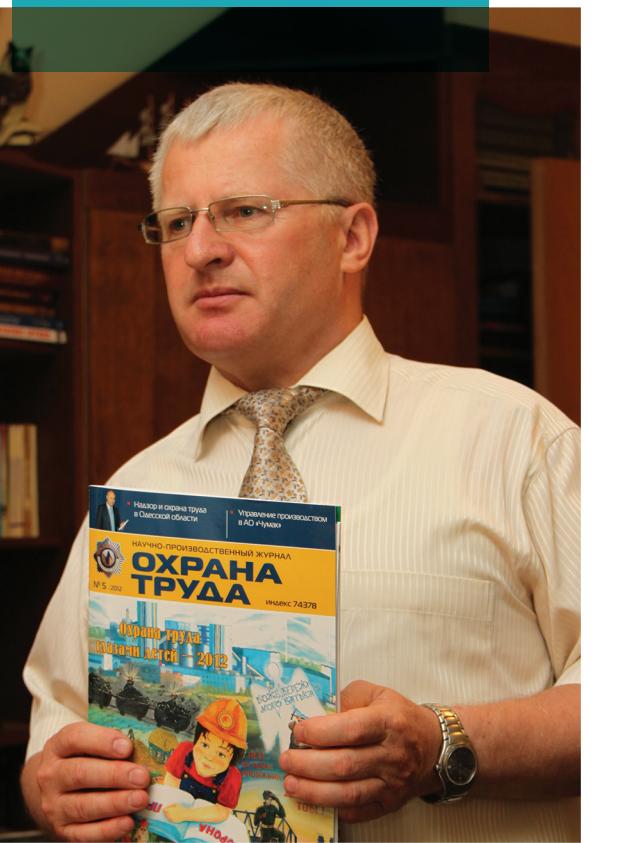
- OSH specialists from the "Ukartransgas" Company have already started to undertake the full implementation of a Risk Assessment and Management System in their enterprise.

12. Recommendations to improve the national system for reporting and notification of occupational accidents:

- A National Study on reporting and notification of occupational accidents was developed and discussed during a national tripartite. Practical recommendations on how to improve the national system on reporting and notification were elaborated by ILO tripartite constituents.

13. Awareness raising campaigns based on the ILO World Day for Safety and Health at Work (28 April) in 2011 and 2012:

- Various events and press conferences were organized and awareness raising materials on OSH were produced and disseminated.
- It is worth mentioning the competition jointly launched by tripartite partners and entitled "Labour Protection through the eyes of children". The best children's drawings were then used for posters, calendars, etc.
- The Main Training Center of the State Service on Mining Supervision and Industrial Safety of Ukraine has now included the issue of risk as-



level. The private sector in Ukraine repeatedly expressed its need for and satisfaction with such trainings. Practical exercises took place at the following workplaces:

- "Ukartransgas", affiliated Company of the National Joint-Stock Company «Naftogaz of Ukraine»
- Printing house of the State Enterprise "Editorial office of the magazine "Ohorona Praci"



the cities of Kiev and St-Petersburg, with the participation of tripartite partners from Russia and Ukraine. It enabled to exchange experience on various themes, such as OSH in a green economy, the modern trends in harmonization of national OSH legislation with the ILO and European Union (EU) OSH standards, etc.

14. During the project's lifetime three ILO OSH Conventions were ratified by Ukraine with active informational and methodological ILO assistance:

- Prevention of Major Industrial Accidents Convention, 1993 (No. 174)
- Safety and Health in Mines Convention, 1995 (No 176)
- Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981 (No 155)
- ILO tripartite constituents consider the ratification of The Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 2006 (No. 187).

15. Closing conference of the project conducted in Kiev on 14 September:

- The closing conference gathered the main stakeholders involved in the implementation of the project and allowed to show-case the re-