

## Coming soon... NEPSI SDA 2014 Reporting

<u>The multi-sectoral European Social Dialogue Agreement (ESDA) aims at protecting the</u> <u>health of employees occupationally exposed to Respirable Crystalline Silica at the</u> <u>workplace, minimising such exposure by applying Good Practices and increasing the</u> <u>knowledge about potential health effects of respirable crystalline silica as well as about</u> <u>Good Practices.</u>

Part of this process is a 2 yearly data collection from sites where Respirable Crystalline Silica <u>MIGHT</u> be found. (see list below)

NEPSI signatories believe reporting is more crucial than ever in 2014. If your company is a member of a signatory Trade Association they SHOULD report and will be reminded. This applies whether or not specific sites have RCS present, as gaining an accurate measure of the proportion of employees/sites NOT potentially exposed to RCS is vital.

Between 15 January and 14 March 2014, 15 industries across Europe will be again collecting data on the Key Performance Indicators of the Social Dialogue Agreement (SDA). Compiled data will help to demonstrate with solid evidence that the Agreement provides an optimal protection to our workers' health and to assess whether other heavy regulatory constraints should be further imposed on all industries exposed to Respirable Crystalline Silica.

If your business operates within one of the Industries below and is NOT a member of a signatory Trade Associations you can still report voluntarily.

Please feel free to contact <u>helpdesk@nepsidata.eu</u> if you have any queries on this matter

Signatory Industries are

Aggregates; Cement; Ceramics; Expanded Clay; Foundries; Glass; Glass Fibre; Industrial Minerals; Mineral Wool; Mining; Mortar; Natural Stone; Pre-cast Concrete

