The Seoul Declaration – A Global Action Plan for Prevention

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Overview

- n ISSA Mining Safe Mining Worldwide!
- **n** The Declaration of Seoul
- **n** Seoul Declaration into force





ISSA Mining – Safe Mining Worldwide!

Promoting and improving prevention and social security in mining.







INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL SECURITY ASSOCIATION

- n ... is a non-profit, international organization, founded in 1927
- n ... unites 350 members such as institutions, government departments, agencies and other entities administering one or more social security risks from nearly 150 countries
- n ... located in Geneva, Switzerland
- n ... has a close cooperation with the ILO



ISSA's Objectives

- n <u>Mission</u>: to bring together government departments, social security institutions and agencies.
- n <u>Vision</u>: to promote dynamic social security as the social dimension in a globalizing world.
- n <u>Mandate</u>: to advance the social and economic conditions of the population on the basis of social justice.



Why ISSA is caring for Prevention

Protecting the health of human beings is a <u>basic</u> <u>humanitarian principle</u>, and consequently one of the fundamental objectives of social security.





11 International Sections of ISSA on Prevention of Occupational Risks

- **n** Financially independent
- n Own membership
- n Key actors of ISSA's prevention programme
- n Organized in industrial branches





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Aims of ISSA Mining

- n foster and improve social security in mining
- n care worldwide for acceptable working-, OSH- and social conditions
- n influence OSH politics on a global level
- n protect miners from accidents and damage to their health
- n support employers and managers in fulfilling their responsibilities

<u>... for the health and welfare of all miners and their families –</u> <u>and the economic performance of the mining industry!</u>



ISSA Mining cares for all Mining Industries





Fields of Action of ISSA Mining

OSH polit	ics					I management system d OSH organisation
Safe mining technology		st, noise, vibratio d chemical agent		Health pro	tectio	on Particular
		Education and training		Mine rescue		Risk assessment
Safe behaviour		ersonal Protective Equipment (PPE)	9			Advice on Accident Irance, Compensation, Prevention



Examples of Action





Conferences and Workshops

Risk Management/Social Security/ Strategies for better Health and Safety at Work

- n Banja Luka, Republic of Srpska, Bosnia and Herzegovina
- n May 17 and 18, 2010









Cooperation with Regions/Countries

Sustainable Cooperation with MOLISA/Vietnam

The Ministry of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs of Vietnam (**MoLISA**) and **ISSA Mining** have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on cooperation and exchange of experience in the field of occupational safety and health.





Fair Stone: For Socially Acceptable Standards in the Natural Stone Industry!

- n ISSA Mining is involved in the Fair Stone Project
- Mission: to improve the working conditions and the health situation in the natural stone industry worldwide
- To develop a social standard for natural stone industry in emerging economies
- n To establish a Fair Stone Seal





Recommendations for Safe Mining

Coming soon





"Safer by Design"-Project

- Reduce injuries resulting from poor mobile plant design
- Basis: systematic risk assessment
 by machine-users



- n Establish a cooperation between customers and mobile plant manufacturers
- Identify key safety features on mobile plant (best practice)

n www.safequarry.com/safer_by_design.aspx



Building an International Network for Prevention



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The Seoul Declaration





Significance of the Seoul Declaration

- 1. The 1st global OSH Declaration in history
 - n International OSH Charter
 - n Roles & responsibilities of workers, employers, and government are clearly presented
- 2. A new turning point for the global OSH community
 - The 1992 Rio Declaration and Kyoto Protocol acted as a catalyst for global campaign for environment protection
- 3. OSH is recognized as a basic human right
 - n Translation of the Universal Declaration for Human Rights



Background of the Seoul Declaration

- 1. Create a new turning point for OSH
- 2. Reduce work-related deaths, injuries, and ill-health
 - n 2.3 million are killed at work each year
 - n 270 million are injured annually for work-related reasons
 - n Economic loss: around 4% of global GDP
- 3. Promote close cooperation in the global OSH community
- 4. Raise global OSH awareness and enhance a sense of responsibility



Signing of the Seoul Declaration

- World Congress on
 Safety and Health at
 Work, South Korea,
 29 June 2008
- n senior professionals
- n employers' and workers' representatives
- n social security representatives
- n policy-makers
- n administrators





Signing of the Seoul Declaration

The Seoul Declaration is supported by governments, multinational and local enterprises, networks and individuals.

The signatory has three groups of categories:



Overview –

General Fields of Action from the Seoul Declaration

- n Society's Duties
- n Government's Duties
- n Employer's Duties
- n Worker's Duties





General Fields of Action from the Seoul Declaration (1)

Society's Duties

- n Definition of the <u>national (high) level</u> <u>of OSH</u>
- n Recognition as a <u>responsibility of</u> <u>all society members</u>
- n Development of a <u>national safety</u> <u>culture</u>





General Fields of Action from the Seoul Declaration (2)

Society's Duties

- n The <u>right to a safe and healthily</u> <u>working environment</u> will be respected at all national levels
- Active cooperation of government, employers and workers (Social Dialogue)
- n Establishment of a <u>system of</u> <u>defined rights, responsibilities</u> <u>and duties</u>
- n Priority for the principle of prevention
- Promotion of <u>OSH Management</u> <u>Systems</u> incl. continuous Improvement





General Fields of Action from the Seoul Declaration (3)

Government's Duties

- n Relevant <u>ILO Conventions</u> as government's national basis for improvements in a systematic way
- n Continued action necessary to create a <u>national preventative OSH</u> <u>culture</u> (sustainability)
- n Adequate <u>system for enforcement</u> of OSH standards
- n Need for a <u>strong labour</u> inspection system





General Fields of Action from the Seoul Declaration (4)

Employer's Duties

- Prevention must be an integral part of employer's activities (good business performance)
- n Use of OSH management systems by employers
- n Training, consultation, information and involvement of workers on company level





General Fields of Action from the Seoul Declaration (5)

Worker's Duties

- n Follow safety procedure and instructions
- n <u>Use Personal Protective</u> <u>Equipment</u> (PPE)
- n <u>Participate</u> in OSH training and awareness raising measures
- n <u>Cooperate</u> with employer in all matters of OSH





Online

SEO www.seouldeclaration.org

Background, objectives and translations
 History of the World Congress & Introduction

- to the 18th Congress
- Signatory bodies
- n Electronic signature
- n Press releases & news

The Seoul Declaration

The Seoul Declaration on Safety and Health at Work was adopted on 29 June 2008 by some 50 high-level decision-makers from around the world as a major new blueprint for constructing a global culture of safety and health at work.

Download the Seoul Declaration



International Labour Organization



SSa INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL SECURITY ASSOCIATION



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How to show commitment to the Seoul Declaration?





Show Commitment

n Place the Seoul Declaration banners on your websites



Promoting a Worldwide Culture of Prevention

www.seouldeclaration.org







Sign and Support the Seoul Declaration

n Fill out the support form

Resources

Support the Seoul Declaration on Safety and Health at Work and help promote a global culture of prevention!

About News and events

+ Why support the Seoul Declaration?

Home

- The Secul Declaration uphold: the right to a safe and healthy working environment as a fundamental human right.
- The Seoul Declaration considers that improving safety and health at work has a positive impact on working conditions, productivity, economic and social development.
- Who can become a supporter of the Seoul Declaration?
- What does the support involve?
- List of supporters (pending)
- » Download Web banners



SUPPORT THE SEOUL DECLARATION

To become a supporter of the Seoul Declaration, you must complete the form below. After submission, the Seoul Declaration Joint Secretariat will contact you if we require further information. Once your application is approved, you will receive a confirmation and a certificate from the Joint Secretariat based on the information provided by you.

Please note that only organizations, companies, institutions and other entities can become a supporter of the Secul Declaration on Safety and Health at Work.

Information about the organization, enterprise, etc.

Street	Nr.
P.O. Bas	City.
Postal code	Country
Area of activity	Approximite number of employees
Website	

Contact details of the person applying on behalf of the organization

First name	Family name
Job title	Function in the organization



Transfer the Seoul Declaration into prevention activities on a regional basis!





Example 1: ASEAN-Region

- n Strategy Conference in Hanoi, Vietnam, 15-16 March 2010
- n Aim: Identifying options to put the Seoul Declaration efficiently into force in the ASEAN region
- n Hosts
 - Ministry of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs (MoLISA), Hanoi, Vietnam,
 - n ISSA Mining
 - International Labour Organisation (ILO),
 Subregional Office for East Asia, Bangkok, Thailand
 - n ASEAN OSHNET

Example 2: South East Europe

- n Conference "Risk Management / Social Security / Strategies for better Health and Safety at Work" in Banja Luka, Republic of Srpska (Bosnia and Herzegovina), 17-18 May 2010
- n Over 130 delegates from 35 different countries
- n Hosts:
 - Government of Republika Sprska represented by the Ministry of Labour and the Republic Inspection Administration
 - n Regional Alliance for Labour Inspection (RALI)
 - n ISSA Mining
 - USAID-ELMO project (Enabling Labor Mobility) in Bosnia Herzegovina



How can we use the Seoul Declaration for our Industry?





Transfer of the Seoul Declaration by the Atlantic Alliance for the Extractive Industry

- n Express commitment as 1. Industrial Group
- n Establish a working group
- Action plan => Program
 Topics can be:
 - n Safer by Design (safe machinery)
 - n SME´s
 - n Safety Management System
 - n Health-care, Health-protection
- Checklist for Atlantic Alliance participants
- n Report of activities
- n Individual Signing of the Declaration



Thank you for your attention!

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