



Priorities for Occupational safety and health research in Europe: 2013-2020

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Defining priorities for occupational safety and health research in Europe

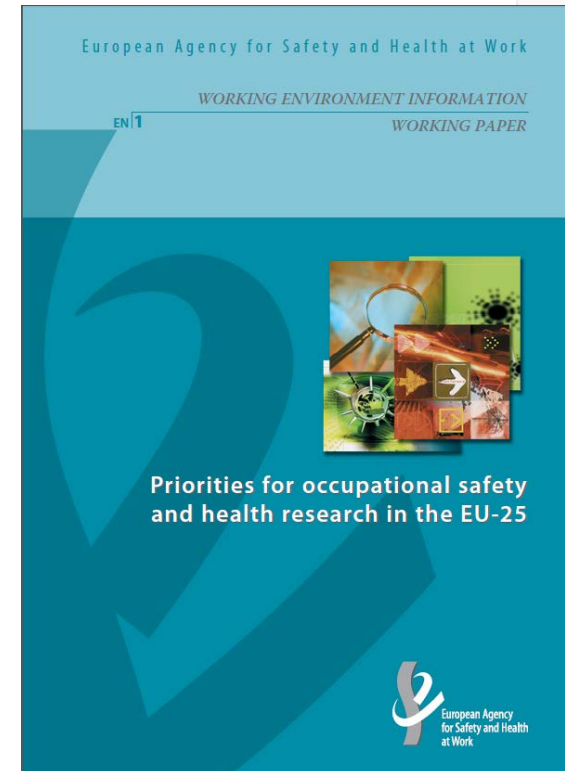
EU-OSHA and European Risk Observatory objectives

- to seek a consensus on research priorities in OSH, and to encourage national OSH research institutes to set joint priorities
- to promote Member State cooperation in research
- to encourage the inclusion of OSH requirements in research programmes



Background

- **2000 - Future occupational safety and health research needs and priorities in the Member States of the European Union**
- **2005 - Priorities for occupational safety and health research in the EU-25**
 - The priorities identified are reflected in the Community Strategy 2007-12
- **Priorities for Occupational safety and health (OSH) research in Europe: 2013-20**
 - Prepared in 2012, published in June 2013



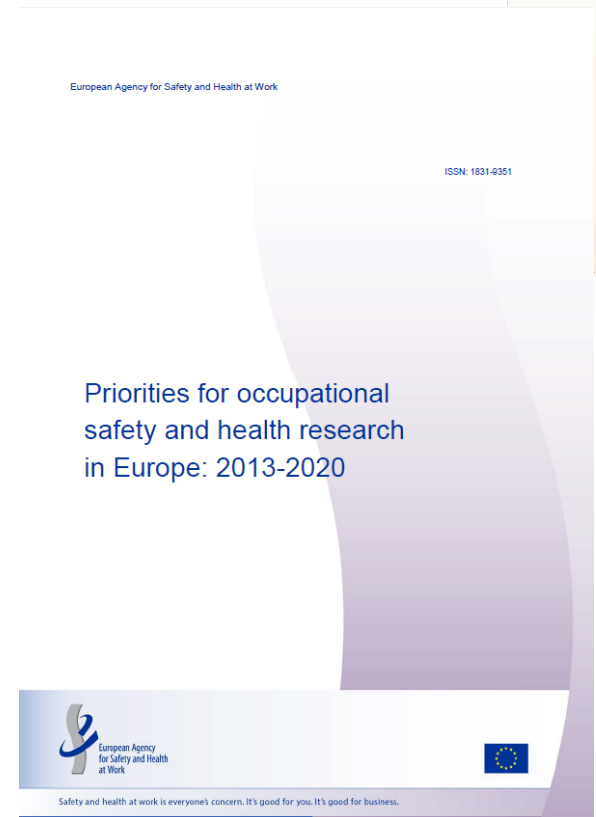
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Objectives:

- To update the report from 2005 and to define OSH research priorities for the upcoming years
- To provide input into the 8th Research Framework Programme – Horizon 2020, and a possible new EU strategy

Broad consultation involving

- all the major OSH research institutions and in particular PEROSH, former NEW OSH ERA members
- EU-OSHA Focal Points
- social partners and other networks
- ILO, WHO
- Seminar in May 2012 to provide input



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- **Structured around four main areas to emphasise the link to EU2020 Strategy**
 - Demographic change – Sustainable work for healthier and longer working lives
 - Globalisation and changing world of work
 - OSH research for safe new technologies as a prerequisite for sustainable growth
 - Research into new or increasing occupational exposures

Examples of priorities

- **Ageing and increasing diversity of the workforce: Older workers, women at work and the gender dimension, migrant workers**
- **Disability prevention and return to work research**
- **Health in restructuring**
- **New employment and working patterns and psychosocial risk factors**
- **OSH in SMEs**
- **Economic dimension of OSH**
- **Green technologies and green jobs, nanotechnology**
- **Endocrine disruptors, mixed exposures**

Transversal issues

- **Mainstreaming OSH research in other research and policy areas**
- **Translational research – transfer of research results to the workplace**
- **Intervention research**
- **OSH communication / risk communication**
- **Prevention through design**

Seminar 9-10 October 2013

- **Follow-up to the report**
- **Receive feedback and discuss and validate the priorities identified**
- **Discuss the ways in which to foster OSH research coordination and funding**
- **Promote mainstreaming OSH research in other policy areas**
- **Synergies with Horizon 2020**
- **Publication**

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