HEALTHY WORKPLACES SUMMIT 2022

Healthy Workplaces Lighten the Load

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Learnings from inspections in Construction sector in Portugal

- We had 2621 inspections from 1055 LI all over Europe, of which 319 in construction companies;

- From Portugal we had 24 inspections in the construction sector
Learnings from inspections in Construction sector in Portugal

▪ On 18 (75%) of the analysed risk assessments the main ergonomic risk factors were collected and assessed

▪ 9 (37.5%) had the full participation of the workers

▪ 6 (25%) had a partial participation of the workers
Learnings from inspections in Construction sector in Portugal

- Informative campaigns are well received and the information shared by NLI is leveraged and often implemented

- Employers and OSH technicians are open for new methods for risk assessment

- Evidence based methods are applicable in Construction
Learnings from inspections in Construction sector in Portugal

- Pallet truck
Learnings from inspections in Construction sector in Portugal

- Grips for precast concrete
- Transport claw
Learnings from inspections in Construction sector in Portugal

- Drum clamp for truck cranes
Learnings from inspections in Construction sector in Portugal

- Rolling winch
- Sheet metal grippers
Learnings from inspections in Construction sector in Portugal

- Mechanical washing machine
More learnings from inspections in Construction sector in Europe

- The use of lifting equipment reduced the common strains remarkably (Austria).

- To overcome manual handling of loads, platforms were created for lifting brick pallets to different floors. After the delivering to the intended floor, two workers use pallet trucks to take the pallets to the working stations (Bulgaria).

- After a prohibition notice for manual installation of a large quantity of stone cladding, appropriate mechanical means were designed and installed on site (Ireland).
More learnings from inspections in Construction sector in Europe

- In the majority of the inspected construction companies, evidence-based methods had been used (Slovaquia).

- An inspected company was included on a specific program of a physiotherapy centre to advise on musculoskeletal health (Spain).

- The workers' representatives for OSH were involved with mutual exchange of information with labour inspectors (Italy).
Thank you for your attention!

Keep lightening the load!