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The Roadmap on carcinogens initiative has been running since the event organised by the Dutch Presidency of the Council of the EU on the prevention of work-related cancer in 2016. Under the framework, six European organisations, Austria, the Netherlands, Business Europe, the European Trade Union Confederation, the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work (EU-OSHA) and the European Commission, decided to join forces to develop a voluntary action plan to raise awareness of the risks arising from exposure to carcinogens in the workplace and to promote exchange good practices between companies and organisations.



The roadmap has evolved into a larger initiative with many active participants. The four main objectives of the Roadmap are:

-  To raise awareness across Europe among companies and workers about the risks of exposure to carcinogens and the need for preventive action.
-  To provide assistance to companies and workers to prevent exposure to carcinogenic substances in the workplace and to minimise their effect on the workforce.
-  To mobilise stakeholders and increase the involvement of relevant parties, such as sectors and industry, to multiply our efforts across Europe.
-  To focus innovation on bridging the gap between research results and business needs.

In 2020, a new Roadmap strategy was defined and articulated in four pillars and 12 challenges.

Since its inception, the number of organisations committed to the Roadmap on Carcinogens has been increasing, with most of the governments of the successive presidencies of the Council of the EU joining the Roadmap, the most recent being the Spanish incorporation in March 2022.

Officially, the current phase of the Roadmap on Carcinogens will end in 2024 with the Belgian Presidency of the EU Council.

Both the Spanish and Belgian presidencies of the Council are organising events where the four main objectives of the Roadmap will be discussed in depth and the work carried out on the challenges will be reviewed.

DRAFT PROGRAMME

PREVENTING WORK-RELATED CANCER EVENT

Last aupdated on: 17 October

20 - 21 November 2023

National Institute for Safety and Health at Work

Torrelaguna, 73 | 28027 Madrid

Register to attend. Limited capacity.

Sign up

20 NOVEMBER

13:00 Welcome cocktail

14:00 Welcome and presentations

Joaquín Pérez Rey
Secretary of State for Employment. Spain

Charlotte Grevfors Ernoult
Representative of the European Commission

William Cockburn Salazar
Executive Director of the European Agency for
Safety and Health at Work, EU-OSHA

Carlos Arranz Cordero
INSST Director. Spain

Jos de Lange
Representative of the Roadmap on carcinogens

14:45 Presentation of the first results of
the EU-OSHA Workers´ Exposure
Survey on Cancer Risk Factors in
Europe (WES)

Marine Cavet
WES project coordinator. Prevention and Re-
search Unit. EU-OSHA

15:30 Session: Sources of information on
carcinogens

Introduction into the session
Elke Schneider
Directorate EU-OSHA

Roadmap Challenge 1.1 - Sources of exposure
data in EU
Sirkku Saarikoski
Ministry of Social Affairs and Health of Finland

The INFORCARQUIM database
Rocío Guevara de Bonis
INSST. Spain

16:15 Coffee break

16:45 Parallel Sessions

Parallel Session 1 - CARCINOGENS
NOT INCLUDED IN REACH
Moderator: Montserrat Solórzano Fàbrega,
INSST. España

Roadmap challenge 4.2 (Process-generated
carcinogens) Exposure to silica dust
Gerlinde Ziniel
Federal Ministry of Labour and Economy
BMAW. Austria

Diesel motor exhaust fumes
Pablo Menéndez
National Institute for Silicosis. Spain

Hazardous medicinal products in hospitals
Nuria Jiménez Simón
INSST. Spain

Hardwood Dust
Torunn Kringlen Ervik
STAMI. Norway

Parallel Session 2 - SAFE WORKING
PROCEDURES & CARCINOGEN
EXPOSURE PREVENTION
Moderator: Amber Vernooij, TNO. Netherlands
Roadmap challenge 4.3. Safe working
procedures
Marie Meima
TNO. Netherlands

"Carcinogens at work: Knowledge is prevention".
The Carcinogens campaign
Teresa Sánchez Cabo
INSST. Spain

Good practices in Spanish companies

Roadmap on carcinogens Challenge.4.1
Bridging the gap between science (materials
development) and the world of work (materials
used throughout the life cycle)
Michaela Clever
BAuA. Germany

Parallel session 3 - ASBESTOS
Moderator: INSST. Spain

Prevention management in interventions in the
presence of asbestos-containing materials in
firefighting and rescue operations
Diana Torremocha
INSST. Spain

Preventive management of interventions in the
presence of asbestos-containing materials in
Germany
Romy Marx
Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs.
Germany

Asbestos risk assessment in France: screening
by the sponsor of the work and establishment of
working procedures by the employer
Jeremy De Saint-Jores y Thomas Colin
Direction Générale du Travail. France

19:45 Transfer to cultural activity from
the Ilunion Atrium Hotel

20:30 Cultural visit and cocktail. Prado
Museum

21 NOVEMBER

09:30 Presentation of the conclusions of
the workshops

10:15 Conference: Green transition and
green jobs

10:45 Coffee break

11:15 Roundtable

CARCINOGENS IN THE CON-
TEXT OF CLIMATE CHANGE AND
GREEN TRANSITION
Moderator: Pilar Cáceres Armendáriz. INSST

Technical session focused on addressing the
management of occupational risks related to ex-
posure to carcinogens in the context of climate
change and green transition.

Lung toxicity of carbon nanotubes
Carole Seidell
INRS. France

Lithium accumulators
Rüdiger Pipke
BAuA. Germany

UV Exposure
INSST. Spain

12:15 Panel Discussion

European legislation on carcino-
gens. Progress and next actions.
Moderator: INSST. Spain

European Commission and representatives of
the stakeholders of the Advisory Committee for
Safety and Health at Work (ACSH): workers,
employers and governments.

Charlotte Grevfors Ernoult
COM representative

Isabel Maya Rubio
EIG Representative

Tony Musu
Representative of the WIG

GIG Representative

13:00 Closing session

Carlos Arranz Cordero
INSST Director. Spain

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