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E-tools seminar OSH e-tools in the policy context.

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Introduction to the e-tools seminar

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What are OSH e-tools?

An electronic, interactive, tool that receives data and provides an output tailored for the end-user that focuses on health and safety issues

A “Tool” is a means to an end
– not an end in itself

DG EMPL: *Use of web-based tools for OSH risk assessment* (October 2017)

- Tools should be embedded in national legal systems
- Need to reach out to SMEs, raise awareness of tools, and have strong engagement with social partners
- Little is known about the impact of e-tools

How can e-tools contribute to policy? (and v.v.)

Previous work in the area of e-tools for occupational safety and health has highlighted the importance of the integration of the tools into the policy context.

By this is meant that:

- ✓ The tools are used to support legal compliance, or the achievement of established policy or strategic goals, and that
- ✓ Policy and legal approaches allow the use of e-tools to enhance prevention

The seminar will address three key questions:

1. What are the drivers and barriers to achieving this integration of e-tools into the policy context?
2. What are the success factors for tool developers and policy-makers to achieve this?
3. How will the situation change in the future?
 - are there new areas where there can be greater integration (e.g. economic incentives, supply chain) or
 - are there new technological developments coming to help or hinder the process?

What are the goals of the seminar?

- To stimulate the use of e-tools as part of the OSH repertoire for prevention
- To share experiences and information in the development, adaption, use, promotion and especially INTEGRATION of e-tools.
- To facilitate liaison between actors and stakeholder engaged in the development, dissemination, and use of e-tools in Member States

How we network and exchange information on e-tools

- Now into the 6th year
 - 2014 Explorative discussions of issues
 - 2015 OSH Phone Apps
 - 2016 Development of E-tools
 - 2017 Focused on dangerous substances -campaign topic for 2018-19
 - 2018 Post-launch actions with e-tools, with focus on road transport sector
 - 2019 OSH E-tools in the policy context

What is the format of the seminar?

- **Day 1**
 - Expert speakers then plenary discussion
 - **Day 2**
 - Working groups followed by plenary feedback
- An ACTIVE event, not passive
 - Participants have a wide range of backgrounds:
 - Public and private organisations
 - Social partners and the Commission
 - Enforcement and communication
 - Use the seminar to network and build links
 - We specifically ask for different delegates to the event

Thank you

