

Workshop “Alert and sentinel systems for the identification of work-related diseases in the EU”, 31st January 2018, Leuven

Questions for the Group work (14:30 – 16:00):

1) *Feasibility of setting-up an alert and sentinel approach*

- Is there an interest and political will in your country to implement an alert and sentinel system?
- Could existing monitoring systems for work-related diseases and/or occupational diseases in your countries be complemented with an alert and sentinel function? Which systems?
- Which alert and sentinel approaches (of the ones reviewed as part of EU-OSHA’s project, or others) could be more realistically included into these monitoring systems?

2) *Added value of an alert and sentinel approach*

- How could the options discussed under 1) contribute to:
 - o the detection of emerging work-related diseases?
 - o the identification of high-risk groups, sectors, occupations, exposures?
 - o targeted workplace prevention and set-up of evidence-based prevention schemes?
 - o policy-making in the area of occupational safety and health and work-related and/or occupational diseases?
- What could make “the business case” (convincing arguments) to support the set-up of an alert and sentinel approach in your country?

3) *Pre-requisites to the set-up of an alert and sentinel approach*

- What are the potential drivers and obstacles to set-up an alert and sentinel approach in your country? And at the EU level?
- Which actors/stakeholders would need to be involved? And what would be their respective roles?

4) Which recommendations presented in the morning session are most relevant and would be most applicable in your country? Any additional recommendations?