

# Third meeting of the European Labour Authority Working Group on Information 24 September 2020

# - Summary of deliberations -

The ELA Working Group on Information held its third meeting on 24 September 2020 by video conference.

The agenda of the meeting had five items: first, to update the Experts on information requirements concerning the social aspects of the international road transport sector under the recently adopted Mobility Package; second, to update the Members and discuss the first results of the Translation Facility; third, to discuss the draft ELA Approach to presenting collective agreements on posting websites; fourth, to discuss the provision of information to cross-border seasonal workers; and fifth, to gather from the Members their training needs under the information task.

In its introductory remarks, the Authority updated the Experts on the latest activities of ELA in the field of concerted and joint inspections, as well as on upcoming Programming Workshop organised by the EURES European Coordination Group.

ELA confirmed that the Workshop on Road Transport will take place on 2 December 2020 in videoconference and that it will aim at discussing with national experts, the social partners and representatives from enforcement organisations the implementation of ELA activities in the field of road transport, covering all ELA tasks.

# State of play and discussion on ELA Translation Facility

The Authority presented the state of play on the Translation Facility and proposed its plan for a redistribution of the leftover budget for 2020 among Member States with existing translation needs. The Experts were informed that they will receive an overview of their new and remaining budgets after the formalisation of the redistribution of funds and that translation requests for the current year should be sent to the Authority no later than 30 November 2020.

## Draft ELA Approach to presenting collective agreements on posting websites

The Authority introduced its proposed approach on presenting collective agreements on national websites on posting. The Authority stressed the non-binding nature of the document and its aim to provide a flexible methodology to inspire Member States when summarising the contents of applicable collective agreements. While the Experts received the draft in an overall positive manner, they will send comments in writing. The aim is for the Group to adopt the Approach at the next meeting, in December.

#### Providing information to cross-border seasonal workers

This session aimed at exploring the information needs of seasonal workers and some existing information practices with a view to identifying possible ELA activities addressing this target group. The Commission presented the Guidelines on Seasonal Workers and stressed the initiatives taken in the framework of the EURES Portal. The social partners presented on the respective challenges for seasonal workers and employers with a specific

focus on the food and agriculture sector. Finally, Germany presented its information policy towards mobile and seasonal workers, including the trade union initiative *Faire Mobilität*, against the background of the priorities of the current German Presidency. Experts concluded that ELA will propose specific activities on information targeting seasonal workers, following up on the Commission's Guidelines.

### Training needs for the information task

The Experts discussed possible training needs in the field of information, under the ELA capacity building task. Experts suggested some possible topics and stressed the particular added value of the workshop format to exchange practices. The ELA will initiate its activities in this field in 2021.

# Any other business

The Authority informed the Members that is has started a tender procedure for a contract providing support services to the information task.

Date of next meeting: 1 December 2020