

**Sixth meeting of the European Labour Authority Working Group on Information**  
2 June 2021

**- Summary of deliberations -**

The ELA Working Group on Information held its sixth meeting on 2 June 2021 by video conference. The agenda included seven substantial items, the results of which are reported in the following.

**1. Single Digital Gateway: state of play**

The Commission (DG GROW) updated the experts on the state of play of the Single Digital Gateway that took effect at the end of 2020 and the recent developments of Your Europe (YE) portal. In 2021, new content was added to YE portal on tourism, product requirements, digitalization and intellectual property. The Commission mentioned cooperation with national authorities, the social partners and other bodies in order to produce/improve content of Your Europe Business. In particular, in April 2021, ELA and the Commission organized a workshop to assess the information content concerning the social aspects of road transport legislation and reflect on possible developments.

**2. Update on peer reviews of single national websites on posting of workers**

ELA presented an overview of the results of the seven peer reviews that took place in February 2021 and proposed a planning for those to take place in the remainder of 2021. ELA announced that on 23 June 2021 a follow up hands-on workshop will take place with the participation of two Member States to facilitate the elaboration of practical solutions to address the issues identified during the peer review session. The peer review process will be continued with the objective to invite all Member States to participate in the review of their single national websites by the end of this year, participation remaining voluntary. The next peer reviews sessions will take place in two next meetings of Working Group, on 27 September and 6 December. By the end of June, ELA will circulate a concept note with the revised modalities of the peer review process.

**3. Approaches to the presentation of information on long-term posting, notification obligations and penalties – for endorsement**

The Group endorsed the draft approaches on presenting information on long-term posting, notification obligations and penalties and fines on national posting websites, following the revision by ELA. ELA and the Commission emphasized the voluntary and auxiliary nature of these tools and stressed that it is not mandatory under Directive 2014/67/EU to provide information on penalties and fines. Experts mentioned the usefulness of these tools as a support or checklist to verify whether all necessary information is provided on national websites.

#### **4. Discussion on the role of national liaison offices for the posting of workers**

Thanks to the experts' inputs to the ELA survey distributed in April, ELA has undertaken a mapping of the role and characteristics of the national liaison offices in the provision of information to posted workers and employers. The results of the mapping have been presented to the WG by the Information Support Service and will be circulated in writing to the Members. ELA mentioned possible actions to be taken in this area from the autumn. The Commission reminded the experts of the upcoming Call for Proposal on the posting of workers (publishing date, still to be confirmed) whose resources could be also used to improve the activities of the Liaison Offices.

#### **5. Action Plan on seasonal work - update**

ELA updated WG experts on the state of play of the Action Plan on seasonal work, including an information campaign participated by EURES and the Platform Tackling Undeclared Work. The official launch of the ELA strand of the information campaign is scheduled for 15 June. Experts were also informed about the enforcement activities in the pipeline, including concerted and joined inspections and webinar for labour inspectors concerning temporary work agencies. ELA also informed about the upcoming capacity building workshops (EURES training on 7-8 June: *Cross-Border Recruitment Channels* and ELA – EU-OSHA Joint Workshop on 24 June: *Supporting information and enforcement of fair and safe working conditions for seasonal workers*).

#### **6. Road transport: ELA actions on EU and national sources of information**

ELA presented the results of the first internal mapping of national websites – sources of information on social aspects of international road transport rules. In the mapping, ELA analysed presentation and structure of information, including aspects such as findability, user-friendliness, availability of different languages and accessibility for people with visual impairment. Four Member States presented their national websites as examples of good practices. ELA will promote further discussions with the Working Group experts on the tools that the Authority can mobilise to contribute to the improvement of the access to information in this field.

#### **7. Update on new operational modalities of ELA Translation Facility**

ELA reminded experts that the new operational modalities of the ELA Translation Facility will start applying from 1 July 2021. Member States will have to directly upload their requests onto the online portal of the Translation Centre. ELA will continue to screen and approve each request while monitoring expenditures from the budget allocated to each Member State. Experts were invited to plan strategically their translation requests and inform the Authority if they are not planning to use the Facility in 2021.

**Date of the next meeting of Info WG: 27 September 2021**