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EUROPEAN FEDERATION OF FOUNDATION CONTRACTORS

H&S Working Group

Minutes of Meeting held in videoconference on 24.09.2020

PRESENT:

In the Chair:	Lorenzo Alessi
Minutes:	Lorenzo Alessi

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Ciaran	Jennings	CJ	Kristof	Nagy	KN	
Isabel	Jennings	IJ	Lorenzo	Alessi	LA	Chair
Dejan	Lukic	DL	Javier	Vaca	JV	
Gerry	Havekotte	GH	Simon	Jones	SJ	
Jaap	Estié	JE	Miguel	Sanchez	MS	
Jonas	Bruneel	JB	Martin	Sonnberger	MS	
Kevin	Liew	KL				

Apologies for absence: Stefano Margozzi

<p>COVID – 19 Members shared an overview of the Covid-19 situation in each country in terms of business continuity, preventive and control measures on the job sites. A common concern is the travel restrictions between countries which is impacting the business in terms of availability of personnel (i.e. foreign workers returning to work from their country of origin). This mainly applies to UK, France, Germany. This issue will be addressed at the upcoming EFFC AGM in October. FIEC assistance could be required to ease mobility of personnel across borders. Another concern related with Covid-19, are the potential contaminations on site during breaks (lunch, coffee breaks) when personnel gathers in enclosed areas and the use of mask is not possible as well as the social distancing measures.</p>	All
<p>EFFC Safety Seminar LA presented the revision 3 draft of the seminar content: presentation, video, pictures, etc. A slide will be added on the Clients/Main Contractors responsibilities towards safety. The material</p>	LA and CJ

<p>is almost ready for distribution and will be disseminated within the WG for a final review.</p> <p>We are planning to release the presentation along with a note explaining the purpose of this initiative. The proposal to organize webinars to present the content of this presentation will be discussed at the next EFFC AGM.</p>	<p>End of October 2020</p>
<p>Internal sharing: EFFC H&S Share Point</p> <p>The EFFC is continuously updating the EFFC members' area website with all the HS WG documentation and resources</p>	<p>IJ</p>
<p>EFFC Golden Rules</p> <p>It has been agreed that the EFFC Golden Rules could be of use for members looking for basic guidance (most of members already gave in place their own Golden Rules). Michal Nowakowski will work on the document and will make a proposal tot he WG. Lorenzo will send him the draft document.</p>	<p>LA and MN</p>
<p>Accident Investigation Training (AIT)</p> <p>In the current situation it is not possible to deliver classroom training sessions for members.</p> <p>We will monitor the evolution of the situation and target to plan a session starting from 2021.</p> <p>In the meantime, we plan to deliver reduced sessions of this training (1-2 hours) through webinars. To be further discussed and proposed during the AGM</p>	<p>LA</p>
<p>Webinars as a form of communication</p> <p>Discussion on how to use webinars as a form of communication. Proposal to issue a survey to all members to request feedback on what are the topics of interest (beyond safety). We could then launch a "EFFC Talks" initiative to train, inform members or stakeholders.</p> <p>Again, to be discussed at the AGM.</p> <p>J. Vaca to share an example of survey.</p>	<p>LA and CJ</p> <p>JV</p>
<p>Lifting and handling of drill tools</p> <p>Simon Jones shared a document of the FPS on lifting and handling drill tools. It is available in the HSWG members area of the website.</p>	<p>INFO</p>
<p>FPS Restricted Zone handbook and Concreting good practice</p>	<p>CJ and IJ</p>

<p>Exclusion zones best practice: a new version of the document will be ready for diffusion shortly. A draft document on pumping concrete will be added in the WG documentation on the website</p>	
<p>EFFC Safety Alerts</p> <p>An EFFC format has been created and will be circulated among members to prepare relevant safety alert to be shared (High Potential events, equipment safety, etc.). We target to release 1-2 safety alerts each month starting from the month of October</p> <p>Safety alerts to be sent to Lorenzo who will then classify them in the website according to the topic</p>	ALL
<p>European Operator's License</p> <p>The latest update is in the minute of meeting EFFC Executive Meeting on 14/05/20. Refer to attachment.</p>	INFO
<p>FIEC Topic</p> <p>M. Sonnberger shared an update of FIEC current activity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Silica dust project <p>Map various types of construction works and evaluate their level of RCS exposure; Evaluate the level of protection needed for the different types of construction works identified and the feasibility of keeping the exposure below the limit value. Describe technical and organisational measures to reach the best achievable level of protection;</p> <p>Martin will provide an update of the project and relevant papers if available.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Machinery directive <p>On 28/09/20 a meeting will be held at FIEC on revision of machinery directive. Decisions will be made on the next steps with trade unions.</p> <p>Martin will provide an update on the results of this meeting.</p>	MS
<p>FPS Fatigue Study</p> <p>The FPS is currently undertaking an interesting study to monitor fatigue on the construction sites. The company conducting the study is "Fatigue Science" https://www.fatiguescience.com/ When results will be available the EFFC will share.</p>	Info
<p>Next Meeting</p> <p>March 2021, TBD</p>	