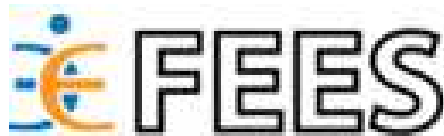


# Annual Report 2013-2014

Federation of the  
European Ergonomics Societies

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## I - THE CONTEXT

### \* **10th anniversary of the Federation of the European Ergonomics Societies**

- \* An event in Munich in the frame of the GfA Congress warmly received by some members;
- \* Some colleagues were concerned but the meeting's format may be too ambitious and have expressed some doubts;
- \* A success in quality appreciated by GfA and the attendees;
- \* 3 sessions: FEES' situation ten years after, What's at stake on ergonomics in Europe (4 contributions), Ergonomics and standardization (see the FEES website);
- \* A significant cost, an investment for the promotion of Ergonomics in Europe.

## **II – FEES ACHIEVEMENTS:** **effective actions (1/4)**

\* **Website:** [www.ergonomics-fees.eu](http://www.ergonomics-fees.eu)

- \* Topics on ergonomics in Europe;
- \* Information to support national societies in their missions (e. g. European Month of Ergonomics materials);
- \* Ranking in progress (from 0 to level 3 in less than 2 years).

## **II – FEES ACHIEVEMENTS:** **effective actions (2/4)**

\* **Congresses and symposia**

- \* Conference on applied ergonomics (June 2013, Budapest);
- \* Joint symposium IEA / FEES on the issue “ergonomics and sustainable development” (SELF Conference, August 2013, Paris);
- \* SIE National conference endorsement (November 2013, Torino);
- \* Symposium on welding and ergonomics (January 2014, Budapest);
- \* Indexation and publication of the Bruges Conference proceedings (EBSCO Host, in progress);
- \* GfA Congress in Munich, March 2014.

## **II – FEES ACHIEVEMENTS:** **First effective actions (3/4)**

### **\* Ergonomics representation at European level:**

- \* ETUI conference (March 2013, Brussels);
- \* OSHA partners meeting (June & November 2013, April & July 2014);
- \* PPE Working Group (November 2013, Brussels);
- \* European parliament (December 2013, Brussels);
- \* Working conditions conference EU (April 2014, Brussels);
- \* European Commission on OSH issues (Summer 2013, Brussels);
- \* CEN TC 122 (partnership continuation);
- \* CEN BT WG Comfort & Ergonomics (May → October 2013, Brussels);
- \* SAFERA Conference (March 2014, Berlin);
- \* ORP Conference (May 2014, Zaragoza).

## **II – FEES ACHIEVEMENTS:** **First effective actions (4/4)**

### **\* Close cooperation with the Centre for Registration of European Ergonomists:**

- \* May 2013, Budapest, Hungary;
- \* November 2014, Pisa, Italy;
- \* June 2014, Bordeaux, France.

## **III – Federation of the European Ergonomics Societies' goals**

- \* **To enhance dialogue...**
- \* **To meet together...**
- \* **To mobilize different disciplines...**
- \* **To create a dynamic of exchange...**

**... in order to promote and represent ergonomics**

## **IV – Frame of action (1/2)**

### **\* European Union Frame:**

- \* Lever for the development and valorization of Ergonomics;
- \* Directives for OSH (framework Directive 89/391);
- \* Directives for machines and PPE;
- \* A new strategy (2014), a place for ergonomics (MSD and ICT);
- \* Debate in the EU frame on the OSH 2014 -2020 strategy;
- \* Qualification requirements of ergonomists (CREE) in Europe.

## **IV – Frame of action (2/2)**

### **\* National Societies' situation:**

- \* Variety of standpoints, approaches, national context, legal framework...

### **\* Sharing conceptual point of view:**

- \* Based upon both practical knowledge and academic knowledge;
- \* Open to other related disciplines;
- \* Oriented on the work situation transformation.

## **V – FEES Proposal (1/2)**

### **\* Next steps with other stakeholders:**

- \* Agreement partnership FEES/ESF;
- \* Relation with Ergomach;
- \* Initiatives with OSHA (European Month of Ergonomics);
- \* Meeting with the new EU Commission.

## V – FEES Proposal (2/2)

### \* **Next steps with ergonomists' initiatives:**

- \* Member societies are invited to make proposals, FEES is ready to collaborate;
- \* Enhancement towards members to involve in standing committees;
- \* Expectation of reflecting and feed-back;
- \* Example of opportunities:
  - \* ESF conference (November 2014, Brussels);
  - \* CREE Seminar (November 2014, Spain);
  - \* CEN BT WG 8 Future works (November 2014, Brussels);
  - \* SELF Conference (September 2015, France);
  - \* International Institute of Welding & Ergonomics, Call for collaboration;
  - \* European Transport Workers' Federation, Call for collaboration;
  - \* SIE proposal (2016, Italy)
  - \* Support to develop an European Journal of Applied Ergonomics.

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## Thanks for your attention

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