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# What is FEES ?

- FEES is the Federation of the European Ergonomics Societies
  - an European network set up in en 2003, presently made of about 20 ergonomics societies in all Europe (including for example Russia)
  - FEES is managed by a Council, representatives of the member societies
  - FEES is member of IEA and cooperates closely with CREE
- The main objectives of FEES are to promote ergonomics which contributes to :
  - the economic development and performance ,
  - the quality of life, the health and safety and social progress in Europe
- The exchange of information and knowledge between ergonomics societies in Europe aims to:
  - foster the exchanges between researchers, students and practitioners
  - make ergonomics more visible in Europe and inside the EU institutions
  - Support an pilot scientific actions

# The main FEES projects

## **Ergonomics and creativity**

- The aim of the project is to introduce and to put in debate the issue on «ergonomics and creativity» at the European level
- To prepare the congress of the International Ergonomics Society in Florence on 2018.
- To organize events in the frame of national Congresses or separately, in order to federate at European level the initiatives decided by the members societies
- Various workshops anticipate the topic of IEA 2018 Congress have been held:
  - by the Portuguese Ergonomics Association in June 2015 in Lisbon, June 2015
  - by SELF in its annual Congress in Paris in September 2015Other symposium are under preparation in Germany, Italy, etc.
- The main challenges of this project is to question the participants about :
  - Are ergonomists able to be creative and to produce work that is both original and appropriate?
  - How can ergonomists contribute to design work environments for creativity?
  - How can ergonomics help organizations to better use its internal resources for product and process innovation?
  - Can the existing ergonomics knowledge on work environments for comfort, health and safety be applied to foster creativity and innovation in organizations?

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## **Ergonomics and machinery**

- A FEES / ETUI joint project on the issue workers representatives and ergonomists cooperation in Europe in the field of the design and use of machines:
- The feedback methodology used recently on products such as forklift-trucks, agricultural machinery by ETUI will be used in the project.
- The main results expected of this Machinery and Ergonomics project are:
  - the mapping of ergonomics and machinery in Europe in order to enrich the different existing networks
  - to consider the social dialogue on these OSH issues,
  - to consider the possibility to have some national relay via FEES in European countries, according to the different national backgrounds;
- Information is gathered on the activities conducted by ergonomists in the field of machines and ergonomic in their countries, for example:
  - Academic and expert resources in the field of machines and ergonomics,
  - Debates inside the standardization groups on ergonomics issues,
  - Innovative projects / symposiums in the field of ergonomics design of machines.

# Other FEES actions

- FEES takes part to meetings / conferences in order to express the views of ergonomics.
- FEES representatives take part to
  - « Euroshnet » and « ERGOWORK » networks
  - meetings and actions conducted by OSHA
  - « PPE » and « machines » Directives working groups
  - The standardization works concerning ergonomics : CEN TC 122 and others
- FEES works with CREE on common projects
- Other projects are in progress
  - on Personal Protective Equipments
  - on Ergonomics in global companies

# Thank you for your attention

- Questions ?
- Comments ?
- More information on

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