

WORKSHOP 2

**GOOD PRACTICES – THE VIEWS OF THE
WORKPLACE LEVEL ON WORKPLACE
RISK MANAGEMENT AND HEALTH
MONITORING.**



SURVEY AMONG EU-OSHA FOCAL POINTS – ACTIVITIES ON CARCINOGENS



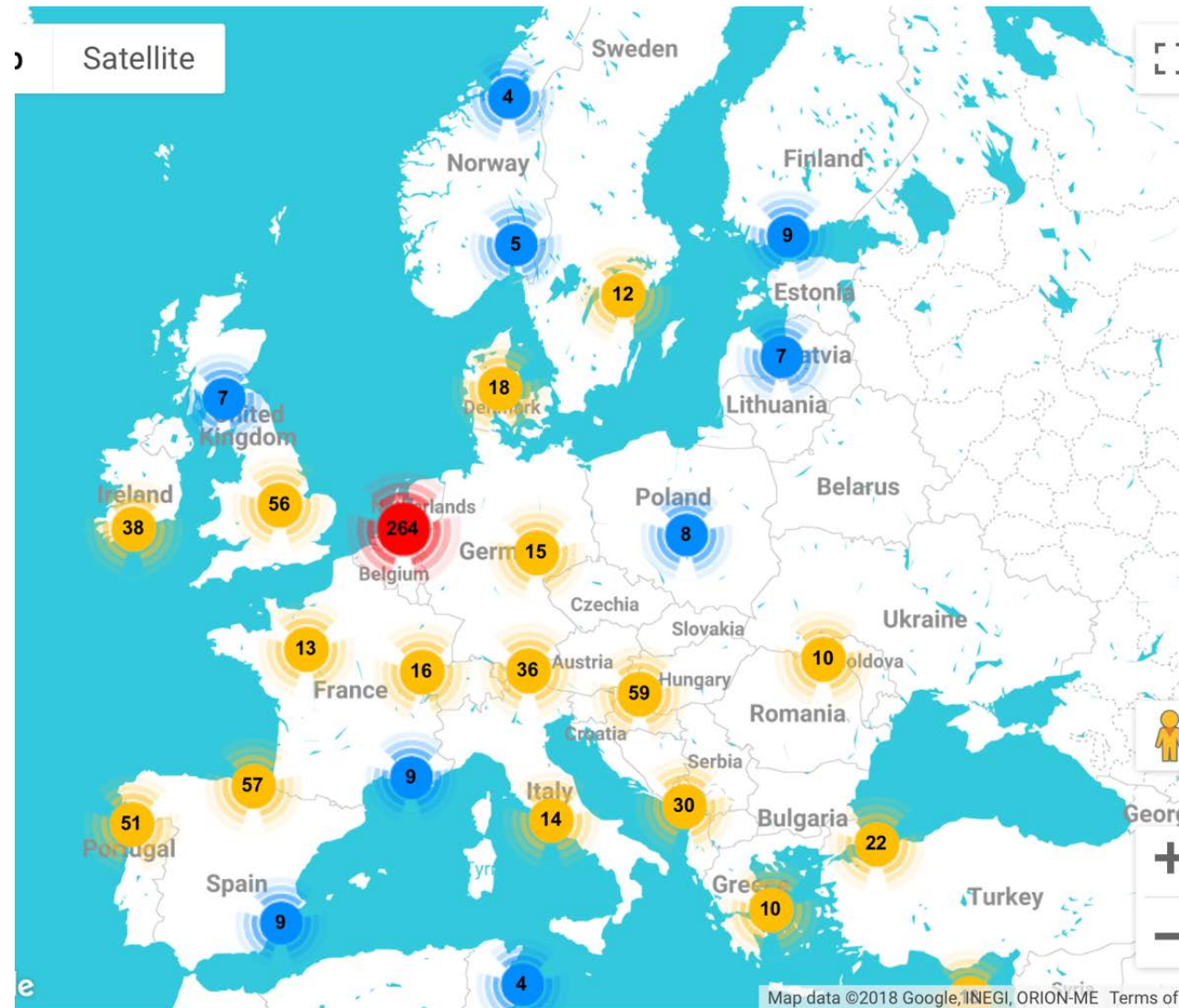
- SMEs
- Groups: young construction workers, young people.
- Sectors: agriculture; aquaculture; basic chemistry; cleaning; construction, engineering, hairdressers; healthcare; leather; metallurgy/ metalworking; repair of cars and motorcycles; rubber & plastics; transport (road, sea and rail); wood.
- Substances: asbestos, benzene, classified CMR substances, chromium(VI), diesel/DME, nickel, UV, welding fumes, silica, (hard)wood dust.

THE RESULTS – SO FAR

- Launch of a dedicated website: www.roadmaponcarcinogens.eu
- 1039 friends: individual persons, organisations, companies and 17 European countries (October 2019)
- 100+ events
- 82 solutions published (and counting)
- 18 factsheets on specific substances
- General factsheet



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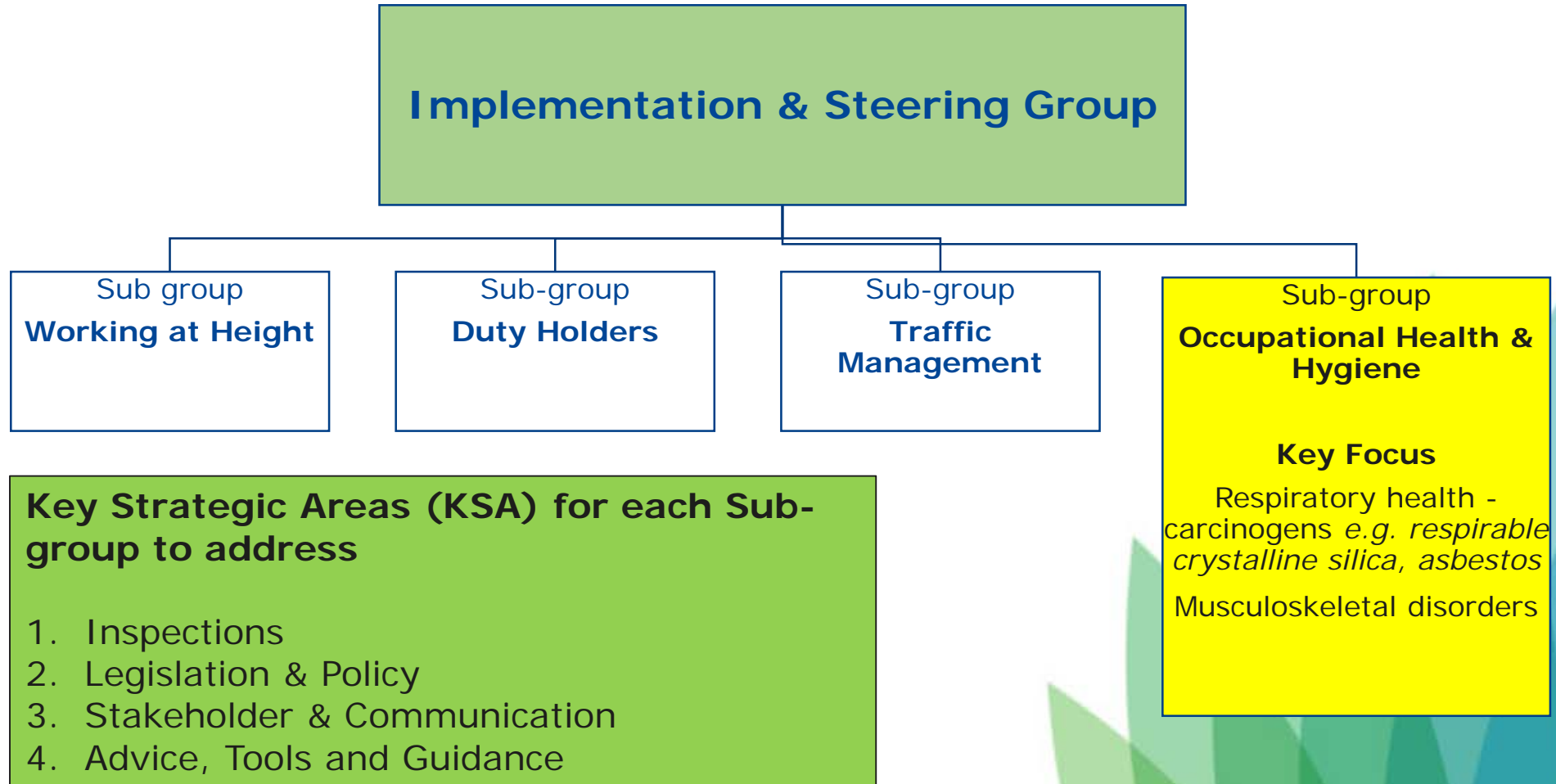
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Persons

Companies

Organisations

HSA CONSTRUCTION SECTOR STRATEGY 2019-2021



INSPECTION CAMPAIGN 2019

- 480 Inspections completed
- 6% Formal Enforcement
- 58% of sites issued with reports of inspection
- 80% of sites had appropriate controls
- Initial Positive Findings
 - Dust risk assessments completed
 - Water suppression methods in use or available
 - On tool extraction in use or available
 - FFP3 and FFP2 CE marked respirators & fit testing
 - Block splitters
 - HEPA vacuums for housekeeping
 - Dedicated work stations
 - Tool box talks
 - Good general awareness amongst workers on associated health risks
- Limited or no designing out of hazard, health surveillance & personal air monitoring observed.



MONITORING STRATEGIC OUTCOMES



- A range of Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) will be utilised to assess impact of interventions and monitor implementation of the 2019-2021 Construction Strategy

Inspections

Number of inspections completed, level/ type of enforcement issued, Question sets completed and data trends over the three years etc.

Policy & legislation

Number of relevant legislations and codes of practice developed etc.

Stakeholder and Communication

Number of meetings, briefings, seminars and conferences , website & social media hits, trend data from other stakeholders e.g. CSPAC, National Cancer Registry , Irish Workers Health Trust etc.

Advice, Tools & Guidance

Number of E-learning courses developed/ completed, guidance downloads, information leaflets disseminated on sites etc.

Please prioritise the following interventions: what is needed to tackle exposure to carcinogenic substances?



PROBE STUDY

Assessing the exposure of Belgian workers to dangerous chemicals by means of sentinel surveillance.

RESULTS: LACK OF PREVENTIVE MEASURES: NO CPM, NO PPE

Chemical agent	% of workers with no CPM and no PPE		
	PROBE	SUMER 2003	SUMER 2010
diesel engine emission	54	42	32
welding fumes	8		
toluene	12		
wood dust	32	22	10
benzene	16		
RCS	20	22	7
formaldehyde	15	10	5
asbestos	19	20	10
lead and -compounds	9	20	5

CONCLUSION

Costs: ~ 100,000 EUR

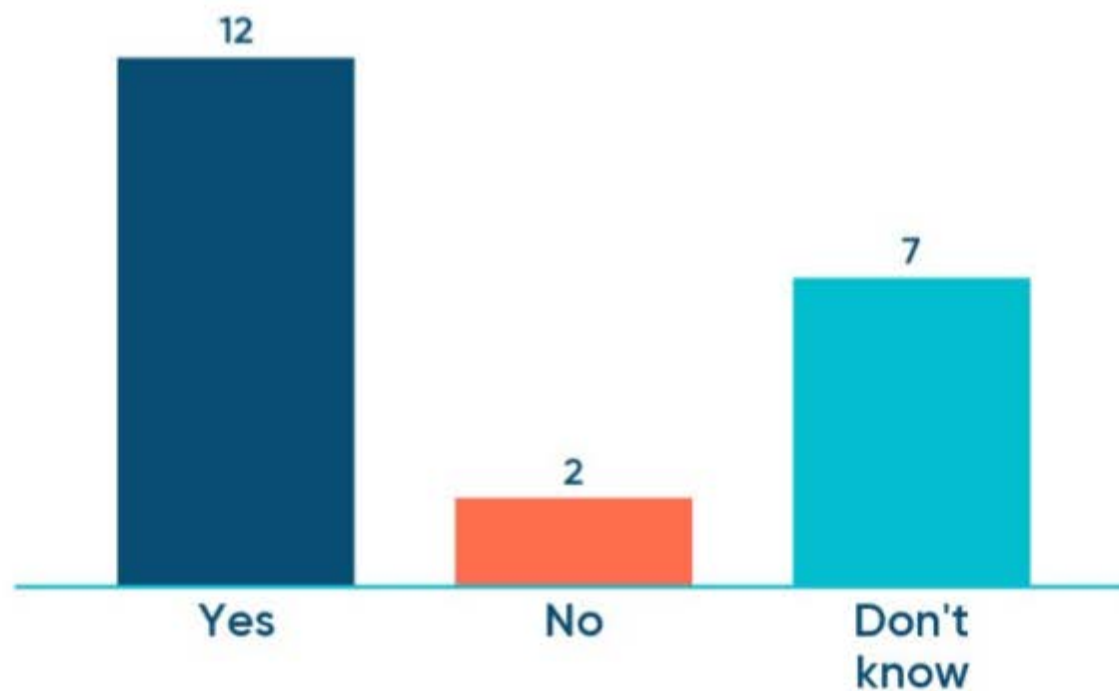
Strengths :

- Through a limited sentinel surveillance network a large number of workers can be reached.
- A large amount of data can be obtained in a relatively short period of time.
- Occupational physicians have the medical and technical expertise, knowledge of the companies and the activities of the employees.

Limitations:

- adds to the workload of the occupational physicians.
- Knowledge about the level of exposure limited.
 - estimations can be subjective,
 - measurement results depend on several parameters,
 - some OELs are outdated,
 - for some chemicals no OEL is defined.

Do occupational physicians in your country participate in research/surveys?



How would you spend 100 million Euro's of investment funds to gain max. impact?



What is the message you would send to someone who works with carcinogenic substances? (more answers possible)

Be aware of risks!

Be careful!

They REALLY are dangerous! Always protect yourself the best way possible. If your employer is not aware try to educate him.

Risk assesment

RETIRE!

To inform himself for dangerous substances at work and to work a right way

Protect yourself !

Call an inspector

Be strong! Continue!

Take care!

Use PPEs

STOP!

Understand and know your substance BEFORE you start

You have only one life

Find information!