

## **WORLD DAY for SAFETY and HEALTH at WORK**

**28 APRIL 2003**

### **EVENTS in POLAND**

#### **Central Institute for Labour Protection**

On the occasion of the World Day for Safety and Health at Work celebrations on 22-28 April 2003, the Central Institute for Labour Protection – National Research Institute is organizing an exhibition of posters and publications on safety and health protection of man in the working environment. The posters that will be exhibited are an output of the Safety Poster Competition, organized by the Institute since 1997.

(They are also available on web site <http://www.ciop.pl>).

The exhibition will be presented in the foyer of the Colonnade Hall, in the premises of the Sejm of the Republic of Poland and will accompany a special session of the Labour Protection Council at the Sejm. Poland's strategy in fulfilling the objectives determined in the "Safe Work" programme being implemented by the ILO will be also presented during the session by an Institute representative.

Moreover, representative of the Institute will present a paper on the psychosocial aspects of labour relations with regard to their safety at a special session of the National Commission of "Solidarity" Trade Union to be held on 28 April, 2003, on the occasion of the World Day for Safety and Health at Work

All information about the World Day for Safety and Health at Work will be also available on the web site of the Institute that fulfils the role of the CIS/ILO Polish National Centre and on the web site of the Polish Focal Point of the Agency for Safety and Health at Work (<http://www.bp.edu.pl>), also located at the Institute

## **National Labour Inspectorate**

On the occasion of the World Day for Safety and Health at Work, celebrated on 28 April 2003, **Mrs. Anna Hintz**, the Chief Labour Inspector of Poland, will give a speech to mark that day during a solemn meeting of the Labour Protection Council. The speech will focus on employers' responsibilities concerning work safety in the light of inspections carried out by the National Labour Inspectorate.

Exactly on that day or on the preceding days District Labour Inspectorates all over Poland are organising official meetings, conferences and seminars dedicated to the issue of work safety.

### **Białystok**

District Labour Inspectorate of Białystok organises on 28 April an "Open day", during which between 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. there will be an opportunity to get expert's advice and explanations concerning labour protection, work safety, benefits due to the victims of work accidents in the light of new legal provisions, etc.

### **Kraków**

During the Construction Fair to be held on 24 – 27 April 2003, on the European Union Day there will be a paper presented entitled "Relations between employers and supervisory bodies for working conditions on the basis of legal solutions existing in Poland and in some EU member states". Another speech will describe the safety level at construction works over the last three years in Poland. At the District Labour Inspectorate's stand posters promoting safe working methods will be exhibited, as well as the ones encouraging employers to enter the competitions organised by the National Labour Inspectorate, such as "Safe construction site".

### **Łódź**

Representatives of the District Labour Inspectorate will give two speeches during the ceremony organised jointly with the Regional Management of "NSZZ Solidarity" Trade Union in Łódź region. The topics of the presentations are as follows: "Analysis of work

accidents in Łódź district in 2002”, as well as “Changes in the labour law provisions concerning work accidents”.

### **Olsztyn**

To celebrate the World Day for Safety and Health at Work, District Labour Inspectorate in Olsztyn is organising a seminar with the participation of bodies for inspection and supervision, trade unions and local authorities. There will also be a press conference held on the related subjects.

### **Opole**

A Holy Mass in Opole Cathedral will be celebrated for the victims of work accidents and occupational diseases in the region.

Moreover, there will be a conference dedicated to the victims of work accidents and occupational diseases, during which District Labour Inspector of Opole will address an appeal to employers from the region that they secure safe working conditions.

### **Poznan**

During a seminar organised on 29 April by the District Labour Inspectorate many subjects will be presented and discussed, among others the circumstances and causes of work-related accidents and diseases, preventive measures for limiting the risk of accidents and diseases, methodology of conducting occupational risk assessment at work-stations, the process of adjusting Polish labour law to the EU provisions.

Among the seminar participants there will be employers’ and employees’ organisations, civic labour inspectors, representatives of OSH services in enterprises, the head and other members of state administration at regional level, as well as Members of Parliament.

### **Rzeszów**

District Labour Inspectorate in Rzeszów is organising on 28 April a press conference on work accidents and occupational diseases.

On that day the District's offices will be open to persons seeking assistance – therefore specialists will give advice and explanations concerning work safety and protection, as well as inform of the benefits due to accident victims in the light of amended legal provisions.

### **Warsaw**

28 April is arranged as an “Open day” in District Labour Inspectorate of Warsaw. Anyone interested will be able to get legal advice on how to act in case of a work accident, what assistance is offered by the labour inspectorate and in what way. Visitors to the inspectorate will also have the opportunity to lodge complaints if their employers infringe the law.

### **Wroclaw**

On 27 April a Holy Mass will be celebrated in the Church called “Na Piasku”, offered for all the victims and persons injured in work accidents. Furthermore, a seminar entitled “Responsibility of employers for social welfare and working conditions” will be held in the National Labour Inspectorate's Training Centre. Among the participants there will be representatives of employers' organisations, regional public prosecutor's office, self-government authorities, Ministry of Justice, Central Institute for Labour Protection.

### **Zielona Góra**

On the occasion of the World Day for Safety and Health at Work, on 25 April in District Labour Inspectorate in Zielona Góra a press conference will be held dedicated to the issue of accidents at work and occupational diseases.

More information can be found on the National Labour Inspectorate's website:  
[www.pip.gov.pl](http://www.pip.gov.pl)