

# **Topic:** European Labour Authority (ELA)

### **Brief description and main aims:**

Regulation (EU) 2019/1149 of 20 June 2019 establishes the European Labour Authority (ELA).

The main aims of the ELA are: improving the access to information by individuals and employers about their rights and obligations in the areas of labour mobility and social security coordination; strengthening operational cooperation between authorities in the cross-border enforcement of relevant Union law, including facilitating joint inspections; providing mediation and facilitating solutions in cases of disputes between national authorities.

#### https://ela.europa.eu/

As a first step, two working groups have been set up: one on (improving) information, and another one on joint inspections.

## Why FIEC is dealing with this topic:

Mobility within the Internal Market is an issue of crucial importance for construction companies. It is also a source of fraudulent practices amongst others because of the difficulties in the controls and the lack of coordination between public authorities, which affects genuine companies and the possibility for them to act on a level playing field.

Several existing bodies that are dealing with mobility-related issues (Committee of Experts on Posting, EU Platform against Undeclared Work...) in which FIEC is currently sitting will be incorporated in the ELA. It is therefore of crucial importance that FIEC has secured its presence in this new Authority (i.e. in the Stakeholders' Group).

## Actions and key dates:

16/10/2019 - official launch of ELA

**22/11/2019** – FIEC participates in 1st meeting of the Stakeholders' Group

04/05/2020 - FIEC participates in 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Stakeholders' Group (tbc)

