

Topic: TUVIC project

Brief description and main aims:

In 2019 the EU sectoral social partners for the construction industry FIEC, representing the employers, and EFBWW (European Federation of Building and Wood Workers), representing the workers, started a project, co-financed by the European Commission, titled "TUVIC", which stands for: Tackling Undeclared Work in the Construction Industry.

It covers 7 countries (Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, France, Italy, Romania and Spain) and one of the interesting aspects is that for each of these countries there is a commitment between the concerned national authority(ies), the employers' and the workers' organisations to cooperate and undertake concrete actions.

Why FIEC is dealing with this topic:

At EU level, undeclared work is defined as "*any paid activities that are lawful as regards their nature but not declared to public authorities, taking account differences in the regulatory systems of the Member States*".

In coordination with the activities of the EU Platform for tackling undeclared work, the project aims to, in the first step, develop a European campaign on prevention/awareness of undeclared work in the construction industry, including providing the appropriate promotional material to all EU national members in their own language.

In parallel, the stakeholders in the participating countries will develop specific joint initiatives to tackle the problem in the construction industry at a national level.

Actions and key dates:

8/3/2019 – Kick-off meeting

Autumn 2019 / Winter 2019-2020 – national initiatives

02/03/2020 – Start of EU cross-sectoral campaign (*see also EU Platform against Undeclared Work*)

19-20/03/2020 – FIEC-EFBWW conference and launch of sectoral campaign (Zagreb)
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June 2020 – End of the project