Future of skills and jobs in Europe's gas sector project conference

19 November 2012 - 10:00 - 16:30 International Trade Union House (ITUH), room B, 5 bld du Roi Albert II, 1210 Brussels

We herewith invite you to participate in the Conference workshop on the Future of jobs and skills in the European gas sector organized by the European social partners for the gas sector and supported by the European Commission. It will take place on 19 November 2012, in the International Trade Union House (ITUH), room B, 5 bld du Roi Albert II, 1210 Brussels.

The social partners in the European gas sector (Eurogas for the employers/ companies and EPSU/ IndustriAll for the trade union side) are concerned by a number of changes taking place in the European gas sector which raise important challenges for the sector's future development, particularly in terms of employment, human resources and skills development. In order to better understand the precise nature of these evolution and developments, we have started to map the bodies at national level whose work is related to skills, competencies, qualifications and labour market research in relation to the gas (and energy) sector.

The aim of the meeting is to present the results of the research, the proposals of the European Commission regarding Sector Skill Councils (at EU level), and to discuss with you and your colleagues the benefits of European level exchange of information and cooperation between the different organisations and institutions in the Member States of the EU. We are approaching several organisations to present their work to us. In several other EU sectors this has resulted in the establishment of so-called skill council. We will have speakers from these sectors to share their experience with us. We expect a lively and topical debate. And we will have representatives of the European Commission to indicate in which way they can support this work. If you are able to attend this first meeting please fill in the attach participation form. This conference will bring together the social partners in the gas sector of the EU member states and selected organisations. Presentations will be made on: - The future of European energy policy (Europe's energy roadmap 2050, representative of DG Energy) - Europe's labour market, skills and competencies (representative of DG Social Affairs and Employment) - Overview of the research and interested organisations (research ConsultingEurope) - National examples of the work of vocational education and training bodies - Examples of other European sectors that have made progress to establish a European sector skill council - Discussion with the European Commission on the practical step, organization and finance.

To register please fill in the attached participation form. We have a limited number of financial reimbursements available. Please inform us if you require financial assistance to attend. Contact: <u>cboeckx@epsu.org</u>, Tel: +32 2 250 10 83.

The project has received financial support from the European Commission, DG Employment.

The results of the conference/ workshop will be discussed at the plenary meeting of the social dialogue committee for the gas sector taking place on 20 November (social partners only). {{Interpretation will be provided in: to and from English, French, German and Hungarian (active); the possibility to speak in but not listen to Romanian and Czech (passive) have also been requested.}} We look forward to hear from you and welcome you at the conference workshop. Jan Willem Goudriaan, EPSU Beate Raabe, Eurogas Sylvain Lefebvre, IndustriAll

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- GasNaturally, François-Régis MOUTON
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