



Training Course

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY - A VITAL ISSUE FOR WORKERS AND TRADE
UNIONS IN CAPITAL CITIES

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Welcome Address by PC Coordinator

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Good morning everyone,

Welcome to Sesimbra and to the training course on OHS and thanks for being here.

We meet in a face-to-face meeting after two and a half years; Last time it was at the Helsinki Conference in February 2020. Afterwards due to pandemic all our activities were digital.

The present training course is organised by the ETUI to the request of ECTUN.

Many thanks to Lisbon for their volunteer involvement into the logistics of this activity which is a necessary precondition. To mention that Lisbon has always been available to help to this direction and for that we owe this many thanks to Liberio and Sara.

As you already know OHS is the topic of our next annual Conference in Belgrade, so, it is an excellent opportunity to update our knowledge and to identify areas of

interest and/or concern that need to be tackled taking into account the specificities of the Capital cities.

The importance of the topic for workers and trade unions is given. Especially now when the developments in working conditions due to digital transformation, the new forms of labor, the platform work, the teleworking etc. impose us to be vigilant to protect workers against new situations as they arise and affect the health and safety of our members.

In the two days to have a lot to accomplish so, we should use the time to the fullest extent.

A special segment in this meeting is that of the elaboration of a proposal in the ERASMUS plus EU program. It is vital for ECTUN. I invite you to give a special attention.

I thank Ulisses, our link with the ETUI for his involvement and constant help.

Having said that, enjoy the learning process.