WRITTEN QUESTION E-1892/00 by Elisa Damião (PSE) to the Council

Subject: Accidents at work

Despite the development of legislation in the European Union with a view to increasing levels of safety for workers, particularly in the building and processing industries, the fact is that the numbers of serious accidents and fatalities have risen.

It is therefore clearly not enough to legislate, and we need to verify whether the measures put forward are adequate and are being applied. What indicators does the Council have at its disposal with regard to accidents at work and work-related illness, and how has it assessed the work done by national inspection and administration bodies?

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