

WRITTEN QUESTION E-2494/06
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to the Commission

Subject: Workplace accidents in Europe

In Spain, three people die in the workplace every day, one-third of them in the construction industry. Workplace accidents are on the rise not only in Spain but in Europe as a whole.

1. Is the Commission carrying out studies of trends in workplace accidents in Europe? If so, what are its main conclusions from those studies? Are they public and available to social stakeholders?
2. What specific prevention and control measures does the Commission propose in order to eliminate this problem? Will the social stakeholders be able to participate in decisions relating to those specific measures, should they be introduced, and if so, how?
3. Will the Commission propose a European agreement on workplace accidents?