The Seoul Declaration –
A Global Action Plan for Prevention

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Overview

- ISSA Mining – Safe Mining Worldwide!
- The Declaration of Seoul
- Seoul Declaration into force
ISSA Mining – Safe Mining Worldwide!

Promoting and improving prevention and social security in mining.
… is a non-profit, international organization, founded in 1927
… unites 350 members such as institutions, government departments, agencies and other entities administering one or more social security risks from nearly 150 countries
… located in Geneva, Switzerland
… has a close cooperation with the ILO
ISSA’s Objectives

- **Mission**: to bring together government departments, social security institutions and agencies.

- **Vision**: to promote dynamic social security as the social dimension in a globalizing world.

- **Mandate**: to advance the social and economic conditions of the population on the basis of social justice.
Why ISSA is caring for Prevention

Protecting the health of human beings is a basic humanitarian principle, and consequently one of the fundamental objectives of social security.
11 International Sections of ISSA on Prevention of Occupational Risks

- Financially independent
- Own membership
- Key actors of ISSA’s prevention programme
- Organized in industrial branches
ISSA Mining – Safe Mining Worldwide!

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Aims of ISSA Mining

- foster and improve social security in mining
- care worldwide for acceptable working-, OSH- and social conditions
- influence OSH politics on a global level
- protect miners from accidents and damage to their health
- support employers and managers in fulfilling their responsibilities

... for the health and welfare of all miners and their families – and the economic performance of the mining industry!
# ISSA Mining cares for all Mining Industries

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## Fields of Action of ISSA Mining

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Examples of Action
Conferences and Workshops

Risk Management/Social Security/Strategies for better Health and Safety at Work

- Banja Luka, Republic of Srpska, Bosnia and Herzegovina
- May 17 and 18, 2010
Sustainable Cooperation with MOLISA/Vietnam

The Ministry of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs of Vietnam (MoLISA) and ISSA Mining have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on cooperation and exchange of experience in the field of occupational safety and health.
Fair Stone: For Socially Acceptable Standards in the Natural Stone Industry!

- ISSA Mining is involved in the Fair Stone Project
- Mission: to improve the working conditions and the health situation in the natural stone industry worldwide
- To develop a social standard for natural stone industry in emerging economies
- To establish a Fair Stone Seal
Recommendations for Safe Mining

Coming soon
“Safer by Design”-Project

- Reduce injuries resulting from poor mobile plant design
- Basis: systematic risk assessment by machine-users
- Establish a cooperation between customers and mobile plant manufacturers
- Identify key safety features on mobile plant (best practice)

www.safequarry.com/safer_by_design.aspx
Building an International Network for Prevention
More Information:

www.issa.int/prevention-mining
The Seoul Declaration
Significance of the Seoul Declaration

1. The 1st global OSH Declaration in history
   - International OSH Charter
   - Roles & responsibilities of workers, employers, and government are clearly presented

2. A new turning point for the global OSH community
   - The 1992 Rio Declaration and Kyoto Protocol acted as a catalyst for global campaign for environment protection

3. OSH is recognized as a basic human right
   - Translation of the Universal Declaration for Human Rights
Background of the Seoul Declaration

1. Create a new turning point for OSH
2. Reduce work-related deaths, injuries, and ill-health
   - 2.3 million are killed at work each year
   - 270 million are injured annually for work-related reasons
   - Economic loss: around 4% of global GDP
3. Promote close cooperation in the global OSH community
4. Raise global OSH awareness and enhance a sense of responsibility
Signing of the Seoul Declaration

- World Congress on Safety and Health at Work, South Korea, 29 June 2008
- Senior professionals
- Employers’ and workers’ representatives
- Social security representatives
- Policy-makers
- Administrators
Signing of the Seoul Declaration

The Seoul Declaration is supported by governments, multinational and local enterprises, networks and individuals.

The signatory has three groups of categories:

- **Group 1:** The original signatory in the 18th World Congress on the Safety and Health at Work in Seoul, Korea on 30th June 2008 (46 Signatories)

- **Group 2:** The signatories of meetings in support of the Seoul Declaration organized by ILO, ISSA or KOSHA (208 Signatories)

- **Group 3:** Sign up possibilities other than those described under Group 1 or Group 2.
Overview –
General Fields of Action from the Seoul Declaration

- Society‘s Duties
- Government‘s Duties
- Employer‘s Duties
- Worker‘s Duties
General Fields of Action from the Seoul Declaration (1)

Society’s Duties

- Definition of the **national (high) level of OSH**
- Recognition as a **responsibility of all society members**
- Development of a **national safety culture**
General Fields of Action from the Seoul Declaration (2)

Society’s Duties

- The right to a safe and healthily working environment will be respected at all national levels.
- Active cooperation of government, employers and workers (Social Dialogue).
- Establishment of a system of defined rights, responsibilities and duties.
- Priority for the principle of prevention.
- Promotion of OSH Management Systems incl. continuous improvement.
General Fields of Action from the Seoul Declaration (3)

Government’s Duties

- Relevant **ILO Conventions** as government’s national basis for improvements in a systematic way

- Continued action necessary to create a **national preventative OSH culture** (sustainability)

- Adequate **system for enforcement** of OSH standards

- Need for a **strong labour inspection** system
General Fields of Action from the Seoul Declaration (4)

Employer’s Duties

- Prevention must be an integral part of employer’s activities (good business performance)

- Use of OSH management systems by employers

- Training, consultation, information and involvement of workers on company level
General Fields of Action from the Seoul Declaration (5)

Worker‘s Duties

• Follow safety procedure and instructions

• Use Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

• Participate in OSH training and awareness raising measures

• Cooperate with employer in all matters of OSH
www.seouldeclaration.org

- Background, objectives and translations
- History of the World Congress & Introduction to the 18th Congress
- Signatory bodies
- Electronic signature
- Press releases & news
How to show commitment to the Seoul Declaration?
Show Commitment

Place the Seoul Declaration banners on your websites
Sign and Support the Seoul Declaration

- Fill out the support form
Transfer the Seoul Declaration into prevention activities on a regional basis!
Example 1: ASEAN-Region

Strategy Conference in Hanoi, Vietnam, 15-16 March 2010

Aim:
Identifying options to put the Seoul Declaration efficiently into force in the ASEAN region

Hosts
- Ministry of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs (MoLISA), Hanoi, Vietnam,
- ISSA Mining
- International Labour Organisation (ILO), Subregional Office for East Asia, Bangkok, Thailand
- ASEAN - OSHNET
Example 2: South East Europe

Conference "Risk Management / Social Security / Strategies for better Health and Safety at Work" in Banja Luka, Republic of Srpska (Bosnia and Herzegovina), 17-18 May 2010

Over 130 delegates from 35 different countries

Hosts:

- Government of Republika Srpska represented by the Ministry of Labour and the Republic Inspection Administration
- Regional Alliance for Labour Inspection (RALI)
- ISSA Mining
- USAID-ELMO project (Enabling Labor Mobility) in Bosnia Herzegovina
How can we use the Seoul Declaration for our Industry?
Transfer of the Seoul Declaration by the Atlantic Alliance for the Extractive Industry

- Express commitment as 1. Industrial Group
- Establish a working group
- Action plan => Program
  - Topics can be:
    - Safer by Design (safe machinery)
    - SME´s
    - Safety Management System
    - Health-care, Health-protection
- Checklist for Atlantic Alliance participants
- Report of activities
- Individual Signing of the Declaration
Thank you for your attention!

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