



Health & Safety day on 28 April 2009 – in Denmark

The Danish trade union movement has decided to dedicate 28 April 2009 to special activities under the motto; "Safe and healthy work for all".

This event is organised in cooperation between the Danish Confederation of Trade Unions (LO), the Confederation of Salaried Employees and Civil Servants in Denmark (FTF) and our respective affiliated unions.

On this day, local Danish trade unions will honour the memory of those workers – Danish and foreign – who are killed every year at the workplace and focus on other negative consequences of poor health & safety standards.

At the same time, the focus will be on the global development – workers' rights and health have come under pressure. This can only be fought through workers' solidarity across borders.

The day is celebrated with activities all over the country. Among others, conferences and meetings will be held and, in many places, there will be street activities focusing on health and safety at work.

This year, the trade union movement will underline that, at the national level, there is still a lot to be done to secure a safe and healthy working environment.

LO and FTF will, for example, be focusing particularly on the following themes;

- Stress, violence, threats and other psycho-social risks are increasing
- The high rate of industrial accidents among young workers and newly employed
- Measures preventing accidents, psycho-social risks, MSD and noise at the workplace are needed
- Cancer caused by asbestos at the workplace- and other chemical risks
- Immigrants' health & safety at work
- A good working environment management is a precondition for safe and proper health & safety standards
- Health & safety standards and their enforcement need improvement
- Global health & safety at work

Among others, LO and FTF will launch the following activities in connection with the events of April 28:

- Preparation of posters and a logo for the event
- Distribution of posters, flyers and other information material.
- Press releases and documentation on the negative consequences of a poor working environment.