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WG 2 "Community Strategy: Encourage the development and implementation of national strategies"

Key words: preventive efficiency in health monitoring, rehabilitation and reintegration, social and demographic change, coherence of policies.

Statement by Kai Schäfer, Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Germany:

1. The development and implementation of national strategies is one of the core items of the Community strategy 2007-2012; *see chapter 5, COM (2007) 62*
2. National Strategies – by whatever title they are known (e.g. strategy, programme, plan, policy) – are most likely to succeed if they are devised, implemented and reviewed by the social partners and governments together. National strategies must be responsive to national systems, cultures and need either aspirational goals or numerical targets to be set. Strategies are long term processes that take time to achieve. Possible tools for implementing national strategies are legislation, enforcement, campaigns, research dissemination, education and training; *cp. Opinion by the ACSH (Doc 2029/09), adopted on 10/12/2009*
3. The following German examples deal with "health monitoring, rehabilitation and reintegration, social and demographic change, coherence of policies":

TOPIC	APPROACH
health monitoring	Legislation: Ordinance on Preventive Occupational Medicine A Committee on Occupational Medicine was set up (experts from Land authorities, statutory accident insurance, social partners, scientific community). The Committee advises the Federal Ministry on all matters relating to occupational health.
rehabilitation and reintegration	Legislation: Social Code, Book IX Detailed regulations; e.g. employers are obliged to establish a disability management process. Target group: Employees who have been more than six weeks away from work..
social and demographic change	Campaign / network: "Initiative New Quality of Work" (www.inqa.de) INQA is a platform for the development and transfer of know-how to enterprises. Topics: demographic change, good leadership, lifelong learning, health in restructuring
coherence of policies	National strategy: action programmes e.g. "awareness raising in school education". Target group: pupils. Objective: to promote a preventive culture by improving co-operation between education policy and OSH.