

High-Level Side-Event at the  
23rd World Congress, Sydney, Australia

From Nordic Collaborations to Global Alliances:  
Shaping a Healthy, Sustainable, and Competitive Future of Work

Time: 27 November 2023, 13.00 – 16.00 Sydney time

Venue: Meeting Room C4.2 of the ICC Sydney, Convention Centre Level 4

**PROGRAM**

**Chair:** *Ragnhild Nordaas*, Director General, Ministry of Labour and Social Inclusion, Norway

**Moderator session 1-3:** *Monica Seem*, Director, Department of Working Environment and Regulations, Norwegian Labour Inspection Authority

**Session 1: Welcome and high-level statements, 13.00-13.30**

- **Anne Grete Riise**, H.E. Ambassador, Norwegian Embassy in Australia
- **Sophie Cotsis**, Hon. Minister for Work Health and Safety, New South Wales
- **Marcelo Caetano**, Secretary General, Social Security Association
- **Véronique Crutzen**, Advisor General, Ministry of Labour, Belgium (Next EU presidency)
- **Manuela Tomei**, Assistant Director-General, International Labour Organization

**Session 2: Nordic and international expert presentations, 13.30-14.05**

- Sustainability, Climate change, and green jobs: What does it mean for OSH and Labour Inspections? **Torben Vincentsen**, Head of Department, Swedish Work Environment Authority
- Modern Labour Inspections for OSH – Vision Zero. **Er. Ho Siong Hin**, President, International Association of Labour Inspection
- Global view on shaping decent, sustainable, and healthy workplaces. **Prof. Seong-Kyu Kang**, President, International Commission on Occupational Health

**Coffee Break, 14.05-14.20**

**Session 3: Nordic and international expert presentations, 14.20-14.55**

- Role of OSH interventions and tools in the changing world of work. **William Cockburn**, Director, European Agency for Safety & Health at Work
- Shaping a healthy, sustainable and competitive future of work: an ILO perspective. **Joaquim Nunes**, Director for OSH and LAB-ADMIN, International Labour Organization
- Regulation and/or guidance: Maintaining a fine balance to create healthy and competitive workplaces in Australia. **Trent Curtin**, Acting Deputy Secretary, Head of SafeWork NSW

**Moderator session 4:** *Dr Yogindra Samant*, Chief Medical Officer/Chief Adviser, International Affairs, Norwegian Labour Inspection Authority

**Session 4: Panel discussion, 14.55-15.20**

- **Owen Tudor**, Deputy General Secretary, ITUC
- **Kris De Meester**, First Adviser, Manager Health and Safety Affairs and International Social Relations, Federation of Enterprises in Belgium
- **Skye Buatava**, Director, SafeWork NSW; Director, World Congress on Safety and Health at Work
- **Joaquim Nunes**, Director, OSH; LAB-ADMIN, International Labour Organization
- **Prof. Seong-Kyu Kang**, President, International Commission on Occupational Health

**Closing comments, announcements, and thanks, 15.20-15.30**

- **Trude Vollheim**, Director General, Norwegian Labour Inspection Authority
- **Ragnhild Nordaas**, Director General, Ministry of Labour and Social Inclusion, Norway

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