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The sectoral Social Partners for the construction industry launch their website on “paritarian social funds”

www.paritarian-funds-construction.eu

The sectoral Social Partners for the construction industry, EFBWW and FIEC, in collaboration with the AEIP (the European Association of paritarian institutions of social protection), launched their website presenting the existing paritarian social funds in the construction industry.

These paritarian funds and institutions, jointly managed by representatives of trade unions and employers, are an important link between the social partners, where formal and informal issues are discussed. They are also a place where joint agreements are negotiated.

Through collective agreements and paritarian social funds for “vocational training”, “health and safety”, “occupational pensions” and “social security”, the social partners have proven that they are capable to regulate and promote a sustainable construction industry. At the same time the collective agreements and the paritarian institutions also play an important role in bringing the social partners together and as such are the “engine” that promotes industrial relations. Often, the paritarian social funds are also considered as the “cement” which holds together social partners and their industrial relations.

For this reason since 2008 EFBWW and FIEC, in collaboration with the AEIP, are actively promoting the development of paritarian funds in the construction industry in those countries where such funds do not exist yet.

The website that has just been launched aims at providing detailed information on the structure, the organization and the objectives of the existing paritarian funds and is therefore an extremely useful platform for an exchange of national experiences and best practices between all the stakeholders in the various Member States.

The website can be found on the following link :

www.paritarian-funds-construction.eu

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