

Annex 7- Procedure for the Adaptation of the Good Practices

Pursuant to Article 1 Third Indent of the Agreement, the Agreement aims, among other, at increasing the knowledge about Good Practices. In accordance with this 'dynamic' nature of the Good Practices and pursuant to Article 5 (3) of the Agreement, this Annex provides the procedure to be followed for adaptation of the Good Practices.

Article 1 – Submission of New or Revised Task Sheets to the Parties

Employers and Employees are encouraged, at any time during the duration of the Agreement, to submit to the Party by which they are represented (the Introducing Party), draft new or revised existing Task Sheets (both hereafter 'New Task Sheets'), accompanied, in the case of draft revised existing Task Sheets, by a written explanation and justification why and how these draft revised existing Task Sheets constitute an improvement of workers protection or achieve the same protection by alternative practices and techniques compared to the existing Task Sheets. The Introducing Party shall assess and may support such New Task Sheets.

Article 2 – Agreement of New Task Sheets by the Industry Counterpart ('Mirroring' Party)

Pursuant to having expressed its support under Article 1 above, the Introducing Party shall submit the supported New Task Sheets to their industry counterpart for discussion and approval. It is for the respective Mirroring Parties to organize their exchange of views on and approval of the New Task Sheets. Once approved by both parts of the industry, the New Task Sheets will be submitted to the Council (Article 8 (2) of the Agreement).

Article 3 – Adoption by the Council

The Council is responsible for the final review and adoption of New Task Sheets in order to ensure that the New Task Sheets do not conflict with the Agreement (including other Task Sheets, other parts of the Good Practices etc.). This includes the withdrawal of outdated Task Sheets.

Article 4 – Validity of Adaptations

Following Article 3 adoption, all adaptations of the Good Practices shall be communicated via electronic mail or Extranet to the other Parties. They shall be valid three months after their communication, unless another validity date is stipulated by the Council.

Article 5 – Frequency of the Adaptation Procedure

It is recalled that the Council will meet at least every second year. Parties are therefore encouraged to bundle their adaptation requests if at all feasible in line with the Council's meeting schedule.