

Training of the European Works Council (EWC)

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Agenda

Mai 22nd 2007

9:00 am – 10:15 am: **Welcome and introduction**

- Aims and objectives of the training, fact-finding, expectations
- Report on the current situation and the activities of the works council or workplace representatives in all countries (10 minutes per country)
- What kind of expectations exist toward the EWC? (Collection of suggestions)

10:30 pm – 12:30 pm: **National level (part 1)**

- Differences and similarities in workplace representation and industrial relations on a company level in Europe (Presentation)
- Case studies for Germany, France, UK (one working group for each country)

2:00 pm – 3:45 pm: **National level (part 2)**

- Report of the working groups

4:00 am – 5:00 pm: **Transnational level**

- Steps and obstacles to develop the EWC: What kind of practical experience have other European works councils had so far? (Presentation of research findings - discussion)

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9:00 am – 12:30 am: **EWC in practice – a business game**

- Communication and cooperation within the EWC (three working groups)

2:00 pm – 5:00 pm: **Evaluation of the business game**

- Presentation of the working groups and discussion
- The need for communication within a European works council: What qualitative aspects are crucial to develop a transnational strategic approach? (Presentation and discussion)
- Feedback and evaluation of the training