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**Conference announcement and call for papers
on
“Migrant workers and safety”**

Special session

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In the last decade, the European Union has expanded significantly, with many especially Eastern-European countries joining the EU. This has resulted in a considerable flow of workers across the Union. Many workers are temporary or seasonal workers, looking for jobs in agriculture and construction. Other workers follow the demand for jobs and travel across sizeable parts of the continent.

Inevitably, where works are carried out, accidents happen and migrant workers therefore also appear in local accident statistics. In various countries the question has been raised if migrant workers are disproportionately involved in these accidents, and, if so, why. The cultural background of migrant workers is often quite different from the host country's culture and the same goes for their formal education and various other qualifications. However, whether such differences will lead to a different safety performance remains open to question.

We invite researchers, practitioners and policy makers to share their knowledge and experiences in this area of safety research and accident statistics.

TOPICS OF INTEREST

Researchers and practitioners are invited to submit papers with regard to the following themes:

- Occupational safety studies comparing safety relevant backgrounds – e.g. educational, cultural – of migrant workers with local workers;
- Occupational safety case studies involving migrant workers;
- Studies focussing on intercultural communication with regard to safety or studies concentrating on simplified communication within international groups of workers;
- Estimation studies, e.g. studies estimating the amount of migrant workers present in a country, studies estimating the amount of occupational accidents of migrant workers or studies developing algorithms for such estimations;
- Culture studies describing a possible influence on safety;
- Risk perception studies of migrant workers;
- Globalisation studies, especially with regard to EU states and their possible influence on safety.

We welcome the submission of abstracts in English, until March 31st 2011, to the address 1stCoSaCM@euc.ac.cy

Submissions must contain the following information:

- Indication of the session: “Migrant workers and safety”;
- Abstract (between 250 to 500 words).

Important Dates

Abstracts due:	March 31 st 2011
Notification of acceptance:	April 15 th 2011
Paper submission due to:	May 31 st 2011

1st CoSaCM conference:	June 24 th to 28 th 2011
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