Question 1

Who exactly does the European Commission seek the questionnaires to be sent to in the EU27 Member States and on which level – government officials, labor inspectorates, stakeholders, enterprises, etc.?

Answer

The questionnaire is supposed to be sent to the authorities responsible for health and safety at work in the EU27 Member States. The European Commission will provide the contractor with a list of relevant addresses.

Question 2

As the success of the project in our view depends a lot on the list of indicators agreed upon in the working group set up by the GIG, would it be possible for the contractor to participate already in the working group meetings finalizing the list of indicators to be covered in the scoreboard in addition to the 2 meetings each for the design and implementation phase?

Answer

The working group has already agreed which indicators to use in order to illustrate the performance of the Member States in relation to the six OSH topics in focus in the new scoreboard. These indicators are shown in the approved working group report of May 2008. Besides a list of explanatory footnotes concerning concept and definition of vital indicators has been composed. This list is attached to the approved working group report of May 2008, cf. annex 2 at the last 3 pages.

Question 3

Could you provide the tenderer with some of the mentioned earlier outputs of the working group, such as:

- a) the May 2008 report, and
- b) the versions of the two OSH-related scoreboards of 2003 and 2005 (including the name of the external contractor providing these)?

Answer

The requested May 2008 report and the versions of the two OSH-related scoreboards of 2003 and 2005 are hereby attached.

Please note that the two former OSH-related scoreboards have not been provided by external consultants. They were provided by the two working groups behind the scoreboards with some additional help concerning lay-out and the fulfilling of the scoreboards from the Danish Working Environment Authority.

Question 4

What exactly do you mean by the provision of the final scoreboard in electronic format? Does the European Commission aim at an interactive web environment including online questionnaires, web forums, etc. or is it interested in a pdf-, word- etc. –file from the printed version of the scoreboard that can be made publicly available by hyperlinks, email etc.?

Answer

In the specification the use of the word "electronic format" means providing the formal scoreboard in a pdf-, word- ect. file from the printed version of the final scoreboard that can be made publicly available by hyperlinks, email ect.

Question 5

The specifications speak of data processing involved for probably one of the six safety and health topics — what exactly does the European Commission understand by data processing? Is the contractor expected to perform statistical (regression-type) analysis on self-collected data e.g. from the questionnaires or rather provide descriptive statistics, statistic trends on OSH-related data that is already available from EUROSTAT, etc.?

Answer

The contractor is not expected to perform statistical (regression-type) analysis. Anyway data processing will not be relevant as the working group has recently decided to exclude this part from the new scoreboard.