MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

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1. INTRODUCTION
As a result of the meetings in April, 2012, between the representative of the NAOOSH – General Director of the FSBI “All Russia Research Institute for Occupational Safety and Labour Economics”, Dr. Dmitry N. Platygin, with the Coordinator of ENETOSH, Dr Ulrike Bollmann, Head of Staff section International cooperation at the “Institute for Work and Health of the German Social Accident Insurance” (DGUV), an understanding was reached as to establishing relations between the two organizations with a view of strengthening and extending cooperation between the Russian Federation and European Union’s countries in the sphere of education and training in occupational safety and health.

2. MAIN AIMS AND OBJECTIVES
2.1 NAOOSH
National Association of Organizations in Occupational Safety and Health was founded in 2011. At present its membership consists of 67 organizations all over Russia. They deal with issues of training and education in occupational safety and render services in occupational safety and health.

THE MAIN AIMS OF NAOOSH ARE:
- To work out standards in the sphere of services for occupational safety and health as well as standards for training in occupational safety;
- To support the process of integrating safety and health into educational programs at university level and within continuing vocational training;
- To support the development and implementation of the best educational technologies and methods in safety and health training;
- To create a communication platform for exchange of experience between the organizations – association’s members –, propagating the best national and foreign practices of education and training in occupational safety;
- To ensure the observation of standards of activity and rules adopted by the educational institutions by all members of the association;
- To develop contacts, relations and cooperation with similar organizations and institutions of foreign countries, as well as with the International Occupational Safety and Health Information Centre of ILO (CIS) and other international associations dealing in this sphere of activity;
- To make arrangements for the Russian specialists to participate in international scientific forums and congresses, specialized exhibitions on occupational safety and means of personal protection, seminars and trainings.

2.2 ENETOSH
ENETOSH, established in 2005, consists of 60 members (56 legal bodies and 3 individual members) from 26 countries. ENETOSH brings together OSH experts and education experts at national, European and international level.

THE MAIN AIMS OF ENETOSH ARE:
- To exchange knowledge, experience and good practice in education and training on safety and health;
- To create a communication platform for OSH and education experts and provide possibilities for them to meet together;
- To foster the process of integrating safety and health into education and training at all levels of education, including vocational training and university education;
- To support the development and implementation of competence standards for teachers and trainers on safety and health;
- To ensure participation from as many professional OSH institutions and educational establishments across whole of Europe and internationally to involve them into the networks activities;
- To cooperate with relevant European and international organizations and associations, including the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work (EU-OSHA) and the International Social Security Association (ISSA).

3. TAKING INTO ACCOUNT MAIN AIMS AND OBJECTIVES IN THE ACTIVITIES OF NAOOSH AND ENETOSH, COOPERATION BETWEEN THESE TWO ORGANIZATIONS MIGHT BE DEVELOPED ON:

3.1 DEVELOPMENT OF ALL-SIDED COOPERATION OF THE RUSSIAN AND EUROPEAN ORGANIZATIONS IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING ON OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH BY MEANS OF:
- Sharing information, experience and research findings on the principles, policies and practices of OSH education and training;
- Supporting the use of effective tools to improve education and training on OSH in educational establishments and at the enterprise level, especially in small and medium-sized enterprises (SME’s);
- Cooperating in developing OSH proposals/strategies at scientific level, where this meets the interests of both parties;
- Consulting each other regarding relevant issues of interest, with a view to maintaining professional standards and avoiding duplication of efforts.

3.2 COMMUNICATION BETWEEN NAOOSH AND ENETOSH:
- Each party to promote and facilitate the sharing of good practice and tools, including for SME’s.
- Each party to make available to the other their respective journals, magazines and other publications free of charge;
- Each party to allow the other to use published materials for which they hold copyright without further permission, but with due acknowledgements;
- Each party to promote and facilitate the sharing of good practice and tools, including for SME’s.

3.3 COOPERATION IN SCIENTIFIC AND PRACTICAL MASS EVENTS:
- Keep each other duly informed of relevant meetings, events and activities;
- Invite key staff and members to speak or take part in, as appropriate, meetings, events and activities;
- Consider joint meetings, events and activities as appropriate.

Both organizations (parties) will endeavor to cooperate, wherever possible, on any issues relevant to OSH training and education at the European, international and national level.

Signed on behalf of NAOOSH
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Chairman, Board of Directors

Signed on behalf of ENETOSH
Ulrike Bollmann
Coordinator

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