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SEMINAR ON WORKPLACE HEALTH PROMOTION IN LITHUANIA





A WORKHEALTH II Project seminar was organised in Lithuania on 13th of April 2006. The seminar was organised by the National Centre for Health Promotion and Education in collaboration with project co-ordinators from Federal Association of Company Health Insurance Funds (BKK, Germany).

16 representatives from the Ministry of Social Security and Labour, Board of the State Social Insurance Fund, State Labour Inspectorate, Lithuanian Confederation of Industrialists, companies, trade-unions and regional public health centres took place in the seminar. The main objective which is to develop Workplace Health Promotion activities in Lithuania was achieved.

Mr Zenonas Javtokas, the Director of the National Centre for Health Promotion and Education opened the seminar by presenting initial steps of WHP in Lithuania.

Dr. Alfons Schröer, Head of Department of Health from BKK introduced the participants to ENWHP and the agenda for today. Dr. Uwe Brandenburg, Head of Ergonomics from VW AG, showed how they deal with health at the worksite and introduced examples of good practices in his company.

In the opinion of the participants, the seminar was a great success and very practical. Representatives from the private oil company "Mazeikiu nafta" and trade union of Lithuanian nursing specialists in collaboration with the National Centre for Health Promotion and Education were expected to take initial steps in developing a WHP forum in Lithuania.