

EurOccupations Newsletter

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The topics in this issue of the EurOccupations newsletter are: final request for experts to complete our expert enquiry, a special request for expertise on manufacturing occupations, the planning for the coming year, the final conference, and our Polish partner is in the picture.

Final request to fill in expert enquiry!

If you are an expert or if you know experts that are willing to contribute to our project by completing our enquiry, please visit our website www.euroccupations.org to apply. The recruitment of experts to complete occupation questionnaires will continue until the end of December 2008.

Planning

The end of the project is nearing. The following months, we will undertake final activities to construct the online EurOccupations database.

January – March 2009: The information from the expert enquiry will be analysed and incorporated into the EurOccupations database.

April 2009: The findings will be presented during the final EurOccupations conference in Brussels/Leuven on April 23 and 24.

April/May 2009: The EurOccupations database will be available online. Experts will receive a report in their language that provides insight into international occupational structures and the content of occupations in varying national contexts within Europe (required education and certification, core tasks and competencies).

Final conference 23 & 24 April 2009

On 23 and 24 April 2009, the final conference will take place in Brussels and Leuven in Belgium. During this conference the final results of the project are presented, workshops will be organised to discuss research papers and the future of our project will be dealt with. Below you can find a short provisional outline of the program topics.

Thursday 24 April 2009, 11:00-17:00hrs, Brussels

- Presentations on the results of the expert enquiry
 - construction*
 - transport*
 - trade and agriculture*

*education, research and personnel
information, communication, finance and legal
manufacturing
care and welfare
clerks, staff, management, army & police.*

- Use of the EurOccupations database
- Plans for the future of EurOccupations
- Presentation website tool to search the EurOccupations database

Friday 25 April 2009, 09:00-13:30hrs, Leuven

- The use of the EurOccupations extended list in websurveys
- Workshops research papers on EurOccupations database
 - Gender and skill biases in the EurOccupations database
 - The occupational structure in Poland
 - The socio-economic stratification of occupations in the 8 MS
 - Development of associated software for the EurOccupations database

For more information on the final conference 2009 check:

<http://www.euroccupations.org/main/finalconference2009>

In the Spotlight: Project partner Poland

Piotr Michoń and Magdalena Andrałojć are both employed at Department of Labour and Social Policy the Poznan University of Economics, Poland. Working in the same department is not the only characteristics they have in common; they did their masters and doctoral studies in the same university, they both obtained their doctor's title in economics, cooperated in international project Wageindicator, and participate in EurOccupations from its very beginning as "Polish (exceptional) Team". Piotr is a specialist in the field of: family policy, work-life balance, subjective well-being and economics of happiness. In her work Magdalena focuses on: national culture and its consequences for functioning of organizations. Both stress that cooperating in international projects give them exceptional opportunity for learning new things, broaden perspective, learn new points of view. Shortly, they enjoy it very much.

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