

EurOccupations Newsletter

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The topics of this issue of the EurOccupations network are: wanted: expertise on occupations, all expert questionnaires online, Italian web survey online, complete a questionnaire about your own occupation, the developments in the international conference in Marseille and the introduction of our colleague in Spain; Andres Walliser.

Wanted: expertise on occupations

The EurOccupations research team is currently developing a European occupations database that includes general information on approximately 1500 occupations of all skill levels in the whole range of industries. Additionally, a selection of 160 key occupations is described in more detail (task descriptions, skill levels, occupational requirements etc.).

In order to gather detailed information on these 160 key occupations in the 8 participating countries, numerous national and international experts are consulted through our web survey. These experts play a key role in the project. Experts are, for instance, representatives of employer organisations, unions, educational institutes, knowledge centres, occupational organisations, job evaluators, researchers, vocational advisors, etc. Experts are asked to share their knowledge about occupations by completing our web survey on www.euroccupations.org

All expert questionnaires online!

All expert questionnaires are now available online! Recently, the remaining occupation questionnaires have been added to our website www.euroccupations.org. New available questionnaires include transport, logistics, travel, cleaning, trade and agriculture occupations.

If you have knowledge of the content of one or more occupations in your country (or internationally), we kindly invite you to complete a web survey on one or more occupations within your field of expertise. Completing a questionnaire will not take much of your time. You can register on our website: www.euroccupations.org.

What will you get in return?

- free access to the occupations database;
- a report in your 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);
- participation in a large, international network of experts.

Italian web survey online

Italy has joined our EurOccupations team. The expert web survey is now also available in Italian for our Italian experts. We want to ask Italian experts to register on our website www.euroccupations.org!

Complete a questionnaire about your own occupation!

We gather additional information about the key occupations via our occupational worker survey. This survey is now online for all 160 key occupations! We consult



occupational workers in order to gather additional occupation information and to obtain insight in differences between actual and required educational levels. The survey contains questions about the tasks, education level and working conditions of occupations.

Fill in our occupational worker survey!

The links to the occupational workers survey are available on a separate page on our [EurOccupations website](#). Additionally, the occupational worker survey will be promoted on the national websites of the [Wageindicator network](#). Many workers visit these websites to check their salary. Occupational workers that complete the web survey have the chance to win a very nice [Creative Zen MP3-player](#) with a capacity of 4GB! This prize will be awarded every 2 weeks!

International Conference Marseille

The international conference in Marseille on 21-22 May is open to the public and no entrance fee will be charged. Travel and accommodation costs are at your own expense. If you are interested in attending the conference please register via daluzfortes@fsw.eur.nl. The conference will take place at the Holiday Inn Avenue du Prado, located in the city centre of Marseille. From the airport, the hotel is very accessible either by public or private transport. The EurOccupations team are currently preparing workshops on occupations in the whole range of industries; further details on the programme will follow.

In the Spotlight Project partner Spain; Andres Walliser

Andres Walliser is a renowned expert in labour market and training issues and, together with Oriol Homs Director General of CIREM, coordinator EurOccupations of Spain. He is a PhD in sociology and currently runs the department of City and Regional policy at the Fundación CIREM, a non profit applied research institution. Andres teaches sociology at the Stanford University program in Madrid as well as for the New York based Syracuse University. The main focus of his work is social exclusion in an urban environment jointly with urban policy and neighbourhood regeneration. He has been the Spanish coordinator of the FP5 funded project UGIS (Urban Governance, inclusion and sustainability) from 1999 to 2003, which compared more than a hundred urban development programs around Europe. Currently he is the Spanish coordinator of Facit, an FP7 project on social exclusion and faith based organisations. He is also developing several projects of urban regeneration in Madrid, Barcelona and Alicante with an integrated approach.

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