



Realizing Official Statistics on Accidents at Work in Norway

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Statistics Norway has been engaged in the development of official statistics on accidents at work for the last ten years and represents Norway in international bodies like Eurostat working groups. Some of the work was documented and presented back in 2011 at the ISI Dublin convention and a review of further developments the last four years could shed even more light over the efforts made.

There has been implemented a new data collection system at the national level that involves data and files based on forms for reporting accidents at work being sent from the Norwegian Labour and Welfare Administration (NLW) to Statistics Norway. Nevertheless there are still some challenges to be met. These include the use of different versions of the NLW forms, the scanning and extraction of data in the NLW, the implementation of a secure electronic solution for transmitting data between the NLW and Statistics Norway, the reading and interpretation of tiff-files and the lessons to be learned from other countries.

The ambition is that Statistics Norway produces methodological sound official statistics on accidents at work within the first half of 2015 and transmits data and files to Eurostat that are necessary and sufficient to fulfil EU regulations within the first half of 2016.

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