

IMPROVEMENTS OF OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY MANAGEMENT IN TURKEY

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The concept of Occupational Health and Safety Management (OH&SM) in Turkey has been well understood and the implementations about this matter have been developed during the past few years.

Since Turkey is one of the most rapidly developing countries, its industry is also growing fast. Unfortunately, Health and Safety experts for industrial sectors were not sufficient. Work related accidents and day losses made companies to take serious action to improve their safety records.

During negotiations for Turkey to become a member of the European Union (EU), many strict safety regulations were put into action by the Turkish Government. These regulations help us in providing and imposing implementations. Ministry of Labour and Social Security asked the European Union for technical assistance to reach European safety standards. ISAG Project was set up and was successful.

The importance of education in safety training for disseminating the safety concept is vital to keep up these kinds of projects.