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B/08/M1

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BUREAU OF THE GOVERNING
BOARD, 26 FEBRUARY 2008**

Present:

Ms Schweng (Chair), Mr Riese, Mr Lusi, Mr Remaues, Ms Smith, Ms Asherson, Mr Cerfeda, Mr Gyorge, Mr Fuente, Mr Takala, Mr Rial Gonzalez, Mr Smith, Mr Taylor, Ms O'Brien and Mr Bejer (Secretariat), as well as Mr Spidla (part of the meeting).

The Chair started the meeting welcoming Mr Spidla, stressing the importance of having high-level political support to the summit and appreciating the key role given to the Agency in the latest Community OSH Strategy. Mr Spidla commented that

- tri-partism is the basis on which to build progress in OSH,
- the Community Strategy is an important document, but what matters are changes on the workplaces,
- a mixture of instruments, including regulation, is necessary to achieve the objectives, and
- EU-OSHA plays a key role to achieve the European objectives regarding OSH.

Item 1: Adoption of the draft Agenda (B/08/A1)

The agenda was adopted.

Item 2: Draft minutes of the meeting of 4 December 2007 (B/07/M5)

The minutes were adopted.

Item 3: Preparation of the Board meeting (GB/08/A1)

Item 4: Activity Report

Mr Fuente pointed out that two annexes were missing.

Mr Bejer replied that the two annexes were being tabled at the meeting. The Agency recognizes that it is unfortunate that these annexes were not sent with the document,

Items 6-7: Agency Strategy 2009-2013 and AMP 2009

It was agreed that the Agency should introduce both items with a power point presentation at the Board meeting.

Item 8: Budget and establishment plan

Mr Lusi requested the Director to explain to the Board what 'title 1' etc. means when introducing the budget.

Item 4: Any Other Business

The Agency invited the Bureau to provide comments at the meeting or afterwards on the outline of activities under the IPA programme that will start in 2009.