

EU SOCIAL SECURITY PASS AND SOCIAL PARTNERS VIEW



Efficient cross-border
verification and
reduction of fraud

PILOT PROJECT - FEASIBILITY OF INTRODUCING A EUROPEAN SOCIAL SECURITY PASS

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The European Social Security Pass pilot project aims at exploring the feasibility of a digital solution to improve cross-border verification of social security coverage and address challenges in mobile citizens' identification and authentication for social security coordination purposes.

Social partners EFBWW and FIEC

call for: effective digital tools and for ensuring the enforcement of the applicable legislation, to protect worker's rights and at the same time to facilitate administrative procedures for the fair and free movement of companies and workers in the internal market

EFBWW and FIEC call on the Commission to share more information about the ESSP pilot project and to directly involve in its assessment the social partners on national and European level, to jointly identify the most appropriate ways forward, taking into account the specificities of the construction sector. It must at least allow for the identification of a worker, the employment relationship, and the verification of the social security status during inspections.

FOR CONSTRUCTION WORKERS AND THEIR HRM: AFTER 2023 NO MORE PRINTED DOCUMENTS REQUESTED TO WORK WITHIN EU BORDERS

Valentina Kuzma from CCIS interviewing Ursula von der Leyen, the President of the European Commission

June 2021, Brussels, Belgium - With regard to aspects related to people identification/ authentication, soon there will be no more need to introduce a unique identifier, since existing or forthcoming digital solutions, such as the proposed framework for a European Digital Identity, could be reused. European Commission has therefore discontinued exploring the introduction of a European Social Security Number, the initiative we have been following a lot and contributing to its implementation in Slovenia.

Key features of the solution that EC is developing to be used widely in 2024 and will be of a great interest of all construction workers and companies hiring abroad are:

- A digital wallet owned by mobile people handling social security credentials issued by trusted authorities and verifiable online across borders
- Mobile people in control of their own personal data. No need for a unique identifier, such as a European Social Security Number
- More efficient cross-border verification and reduction of fraud

This means, all activities related to hiring and posting activities will need no more bunch of printed documents to be sent to different public authorities to prove your qualification, employment status and social rights. In this regard we will avoid unfair competition in the construction sector in Europe.

More about the topic:

European Social Security Pass - Employment, Social Affairs & Inclusion - European Commission (europa.eu)

Other related links:

- *More on the European Pillar of Social Rights*
- *European Blockchain Services Infrastructure (EBSI)*
- *European Digital Identity*



Proposal to construction companies and entrepreneurs:

start thinking of how to provide tools to enable use eID card by construction workers. Our advice is to equip all of your staff employed with work tablets and smart mobile phone to be prepared to exploit fully new eID card. Start involve workers in special training on digital skills and knowledge. There are some public funds available under calls at Ministry of economy in Slovenia to support companies in this crucial investment being made for the good of the workers and to raise their digital literacy and become better digitally equipped.

