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ANNEX V

Domain: Occupational diseases and other work-related health problems and illnesses

(a) Aims

The aim of this domain is the provision of statistics on recognised cases of occupational disease and other work-related health problems and illnesses.

- (b) Scope
 - A case of occupational disease is defined as a case recognised by the national authorities responsible for recognition of occupational diseases. The data shall be collected for incident occupational diseases and deaths due to occupational disease.
 - Work-related health problems and illnesses are those health problems and illnesses which can be caused, worsened or jointly caused by working conditions. This includes physical and psychosocial health problems. A case of work-related health problem and illness does not necessarily refer to recognition by an authority and the related data shall be collected from existing population surveys such as the European Health Interview Survey (EHIS) or other social surveys.
- (c) Reference periods, intervals and time limits for data provision

For occupational diseases, statistics shall be provided annually and submitted no later than 15 months after the end of the reference year. The measures relating to the reference periods, the intervals and the time limits for provision of the other data collections shall be adopted in accordance with the regulatory procedure with scrutiny referred to in Article 10(2).

(d) Subjects covered

The harmonised and common data set to be provided for occupational diseases shall cover the following list of subjects:

- characteristics of the diseased person, including gender and age,
- characteristics of the disease, including severity,
- characteristics of the enterprise and workplace, including economic activity,
- characteristics of the causative agent or factor.

The occupational diseases data set shall be established in the framework of the specifications laid down by the European Occupational Diseases Statistics (EODS) methodology, taking into consideration the circumstances and practices in Member States.

The harmonised and common data set to be provided for work-related health problems shall cover the following list of subjects:

- characteristics of the person suffering the health problem, including gender, age and employment status,
- characteristics of the work-related health problem, including severity,
- characteristics of the enterprise and workplace, including size and economic activity,
- characteristics of the agent or factor that caused the health problem or made it worse.

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Not all subjects are necessarily to be covered at the time of each data provision.

The measures relating to the characteristics, namely variables, definitions and classifications of the subjects listed above, and the breakdown of characteristics, shall be adopted in accordance with the regulatory procedure with scrutiny referred to in Article 10(2).

(e) Metadata

The measures relating to the provision of metadata, including metadata concerning population covered and information about any national specificity essential for the interpretation and compilation of comparable statistics and indicators, shall be adopted in accordance with the regulatory procedure with scrutiny referred to in Article 10(2).