



XXXIInd Global ISSA Construction Conference

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We, the participants of the XXXII Global ISSA Construction Conference, representing governments, social security institutions, industry leaders, workers, academia and international organisations,

Recognising that every accident, injury and occupational disease is preventable, and that prevention is not a cost but an investment in people, productivity and sustainable development;

Acknowledging that the future of construction is being reshaped by digitalisation, artificial intelligence and sustainability imperatives, while human life and dignity must remain at the centre of all transformation;

Affirming our shared commitment to the Vision Zero approach as a global movement to eliminate fatalities and serious harm at work and to promote a strong culture of prevention.

1. LEADERSHIP: We lead by example

We commit to strengthening responsible leadership at all levels, e.g. from ministers and CEOs to site supervisors and workers.

We will:

- Place safety, health and wellbeing as core values in decision-making;
- Foster a culture of trust, prevention and accountability;
- Lead transformation with integrity, inclusiveness and long-term vision.

2. SYSTEMS: We build enabling ecosystems

We recognise that sustainable prevention requires strong and integrated systems.

We will strengthen:

- Governance systems that align policy, regulation and enforcement;
- Social security systems that incentivise prevention;
- Organisational management systems that embed safety into processes and supply chains;
- Digital systems that leverage AI, data and smart technologies to predict and prevent risks;
- Education and training systems to build competence across the entire workforce.

3. ACTION: We turn commitment into impact

We commit to measurable and visible action.

We will:

- Implement practical solutions that reduce risks on construction sites;
- Share knowledge, tools and innovations across borders and sectors;
- Engage workers actively as partners in prevention;
- Track progress through transparent indicators and continuous learning.

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4. GLOBAL COLLABORATION: We act together

We recognise that no single organisation can achieve Vision Zero alone.

We will:

- Strengthen international cooperation between institutions, industries and countries;
- Promote exchange of experience and scalable solutions;
- Support emerging economies in building resilient prevention systems;
- Address climate change as an emerging occupational risk, integrating climate adaptation into prevention strategies worldwide.

5. KNOWLEDGE SHARING: We scale what works

We call on all stakeholders to actively contribute their proven solutions and experiences.

We commit to:

- Submitting Best Practices to the ISSA Construction Section;
- Making knowledge accessible globally to accelerate impact;
- Learning from each other to continuously improve.

To actively promote this, ISSA Construction will:

- Launch a global call for Best Practice submissions;
- Publish selected solutions on its platform for worldwide access.

6. OUR SHARED AMBITION

Together, we move from risk to resilience.

We commit to transforming Vision Zero from a principle into reality through:

- leadership that inspires;
- systems that enable; and
- actions that deliver.

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On behalf of the participants of the XXXII Global ISSA Construction Conference

Prof. Karl-Heinz Noetel, President ISSA Construction

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