



ESF 4.251 *Empowering People Through Knowledge* – project by the GWU

The Occupational Health and Safety Authority has recently partnered the General Workers Union, on an EU funded project entitled *Empowering People Through Knowledge*, which project aims at promoting a more effective social and civil dialogue in Malta by providing training and the necessary skills to different members of the GWU (mainly shop stewards, representatives and delegates). This group is considered to be crucial in bridging the gap between the workers, the union and the policy makers whilst supporting principles of good governance and sustainable development.

This training will focus on social dialogue, including principles of health and safety at work, as well as essential skills such as communication and negotiation skills which in turn contribute towards having a more effective social and civil dialogue in Malta. Besides the OHSA, the other social partners working with the lead organisation on this project are the National Commission for the Promotion of Equality (NCPE) and the Department of Industrial and Employment Relations (DIER). This project, which is valued under €20,000, will be concluded by the end of 2015.

More information about this project can be obtained directly from the General Workers Union.

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