



RETROSPECTIVA DA SEGURANÇA E DA SAÚDE EM PORTUGAL NA CONSTRUÇÃO

HINDSIGHT OF CONSTRUCTION HEALTH AND SAFETY IN PORTUGAL

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In Ilo Tempore

- Regulation prescriptive for Construction
- Lei 41821 of 1958
- Other general legislation in OSH
- No specific profession
- No plan
- No direct payment
- Indirect costs



The 90s

- 92/57 EU Directive
 - DL 155 of 1995
 - New figure/stakeholder
 - Coordinator
 - Preparation and execution
 - Descriptive regulation
 - Training
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Coordinator at project preparation stage

- Article 2

Definition

“(e) 'coordinator for safety and health matters at the project preparations stage' means any natural or legal person entrusted by the client and/or project supervisor, during preparation of the project design, with performing the duties referred to in Article 5;”



Panic!

- Action from Inspeção Geral do Trabalho (Labour General Inspection)
- Meeting at FEUP
- Training needed
- Vice Inspector General and Director IDICT
- Support
- Dissemination



Personal Involvement

- Research
 - Master thesis
 - Doctorates
 - Certified CPD courses
 - 12 from UP, OE and private
 - 120 hours classes
 - 80 hours of practical work
 - Publications
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International participation

- CIB W099
- ORP
- ISHCCO
- OSHA (EU and USA)
- ISSA
- ILO
- AECEF



Profession or activity?

- Not regulated!
- Different levels of intervention!
- Client/owner aware of responsibilities?
- Where do costs go?
- Specializations?
- A need or a must?
- Technicians/safety managers vs. coordinators

Derived questions

- Is it worth having a safety coordinator at design phase?
- Is it worth having a coordinator at execution stage?
- Should H&S plan be called a project?
- Is a competence framework needed for qualification of coordinators?
- Should coordinators be called designers?



Thank you!

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