

# The International Commitment



The **CNCE** is a member of the AEIP – The European Association of Paritarian Institutions, in the Task Force Construction. Furthermore, the National Commission is a signatory to the Bilateral Agreements with Germany, Austria, France and the Republic of San Marino for administrative cooperation and mutual recognition of contractual contributions.

## The Projects

As part of its international commitment, the **CNCE** has coordinated, as leader, two European projects:

- “VS / 2016/0062 – **Post Lab**: developing experiences of administrative cooperation in the framework of posting of workers”.
- “VS / 2016/0230 – **EU Post Lab**: Developing experiences of administrative cooperation and enhanced access to information in the framework of the posting of workers”.

In January 2019, the **CNCE** has set itself as the leader of a new European project on the issue of free and regular labor mobility on European soil.

- “VS/2018/0458 **ISA** – Information Sharing Agreements. Building EU agreements for the posting of workers in the construction sector”.

In 2020 the National Commission will start a new research project, coordinating 6 partners from Germany, Spain, Poland, Albania, Italy and Europe:

- “VP / 2019/008 – **YES** – Youth Employment Skill set in posting.”

The projects study the various forms of cooperation that can allow the free exchange of information, the protection of workers from social and contractual dumping, fair competition for companies, guaranteeing the European principle of a free market.

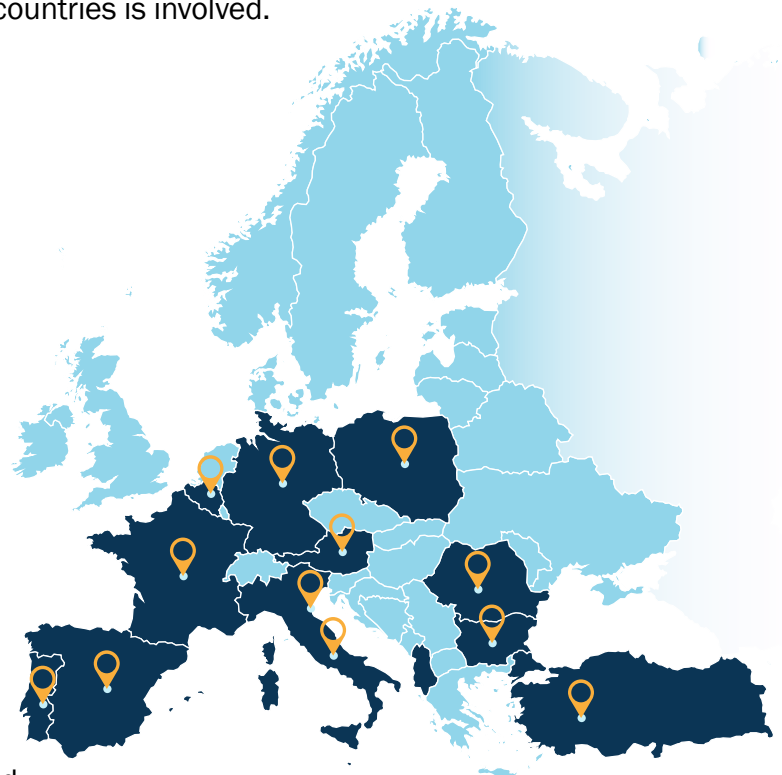
In total, a network of 18 partners from 13 European countries is involved.

## Partnership network

*Association of Paritarian Institutions:*  
Europe AEIP

*Bilateral Agreements:*  
Germany – SOKA-BAU  
Austria – BUAK  
France – UCF  
Republic of San Marino – Cassa edile

*Other partners:*  
Italy – Fondazione Giacomo Brodolini  
Albania – Universiteti Polis  
Belgium – La Centrale Generale de la FGBT  
Bulgaria – Bulgarian Construction Chamber  
Portugal – ISCTE - Instituto Universitário de Lisboa  
Romania – Ministerio del Lavoro  
Romania – Casa Sociala a Constructorilor  
Romania – Asociatia Latina  
Poland – ZZ Budowlani  
Spain – Notus  
Spain – Fundación Laboral de la Construcción Madrid  
Spain – Fundación Laboral de la Construcción del Principado de Asturias  
Turkey – YOL-IS



## Project ISA focus

VS/2018/0458 **ISA** – Information Sharing Agreements. Building EU agreements for the posting of workers in the construction sector.

The **ISA** project, which sees the **CNCE** as coordinator, is aimed at international cooperation in the field of posting of workers and companies mobility in a European economic area. It starts from the recognition that administrative cooperation between organizations in different countries is the key to ensuring the correct application of EU posting rules.

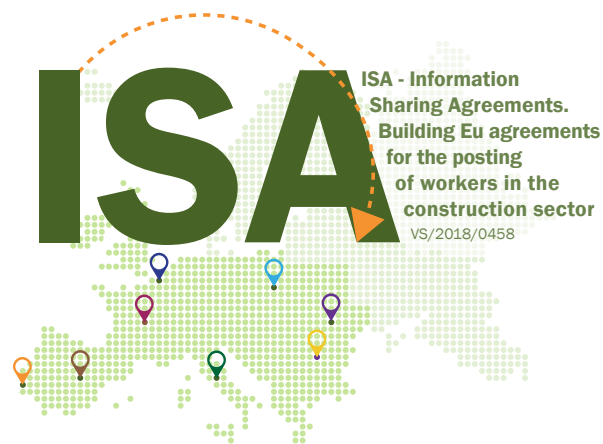
The objectives of the project are to increase the level of knowledge of the discipline on the possible advantages of cross-border cooperation in the field of posting of workers and to strengthen transnational cooperation between these bodies.

Key-actions are:

- to promote the creation of cooperation and sharing agreements aimed at monitoring and facilitating the posting of workers;
- broaden the coverage of the agreements currently in force with other countries to a wider European geographical area.

Project activities will provide as main results:

- guidelines describing the process that led to the drafting of the selected agreements;
- methodology of action for the adoption of similar initiatives;
- a final report presenting advantages and obstacles for each country involved. ISA's activities mainly cover: Italy, Spain, Portugal, France, Bulgaria, Romania and Poland. The support of the AEIP - European Association of Joint Entities will allow the dissemination of results throughout the European territory.



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## *A bit of history*

### **2000 The starting point**

For the **CNCE**, it was the change in the presence of Italian companies abroad, no longer linked only to large companies engaged in jobs of considerable size, but also to medium and small businesses.

Since the beginning of the 2000s, on the other hand, the number of companies from other countries that manage private or public works in Italy has increased considerably:

more than 8000 foreign construction companies on the national territory, which are gradually increasing.

The national Social Partners of the building sector, in order to resolve this situation, in collaboration with the European Associations FIEC and FETBB, set the following objectives:

- avoid social dumping through the posting of workers in other countries.
- protect construction workers by guaranteeing a homogeneous wage and a correct set of rules for all workers in the same field.
- allow the free movement of workers and companies on international soil.
- exchange information between the workers 'and employers' organizations of the nations involved regarding local contract conditions.
- acting against irregular work and monitoring the correct application of insurance, contractual and social security obligations.

### **2008 The Bilateral Agreements**

Starting with these objectives, the Construction Industry Associations, through the **CNCE**, have led a dialogue with the respective organizations of France, Germany and Austria to verify the conditions for a shared regulation in case of posting of workers.

Once this preparatory work was completed, in 2008 the **CNCE** signed with SOKA-BAU (Germany), UCF (France) and BUAK (Austria) three bilateral agreements that allow companies that work in one of these four countries to be exempted from the registration in the national paritarian entity, maintaining their position in the country of origin. This makes it possible to secure the contributive current for the workers, the regularity of the companies, which saw the double payment required, guaranteeing fair competition and the right salary treatment for the workers.

**2016** Start of research activities co-financed by the European Union.

**2017** The **CNCE** signs a new agreement with the Cassa Edile of the Republic of San Marino.

**2019** Today, this network that involves five countries is a piece of Europe that has in common an observatory on the mobility of workers and the desire to give each other rules on posting of workers, a homogeneous ground of contractual protections, legislative norms, coverage of the social state in favor of workers.