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**Subject: Guidance for the safe management of asbestos at work
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The Unit C/2 Health and Safety at Work of DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion is financing a project to revise and further develop the European Commission's 'Practical guidelines for the information and training of workers involved with asbestos removal or maintenance work', building on good practices in the Member States and relevant third countries as well as on consultation with stakeholders, thus facilitating a more systematic exchange of good practices across the EU.

The aims of the guide would be to:

- Update the 2012 EU guidelines, incorporating scientific, technical and legal updates;
- Provide an up-to-date overview of good practices from the EU and third countries;
- Increase the uptake of good practice across the EU;
- Address inequalities in stakeholder guidelines access among Member States; and
- Serve as a reference for training and enforcement.

This study involves the collection of information from key stakeholders across 27 European Union countries and key third countries through direct requests, workshops, and pilots.

A consortium supporting the preparation of these guidelines comprises RPA Europe Prague s.r.o. (RPA Prague) and Risk & Policy Analysts Ltd (RPA Ltd), who are supported by RPA Europe, PreventPartner, Institute of Occupational Medicine (IOM), Amsterdam University Medical Centre (UMC), Danish Technological Institute (DTI), Office for Economic Policy and Regional Development (EPRD), and the Institute for Risk Assessment Sciences (IRAS) at Utrecht University.

I would be grateful for any assistance that you can provide to the consortium as they collect information and data to inform the analysis in this study. All queries about this study should, in the first instance, be addressed to RPA's main contact point for this project: Daniel Vencovsky (daniel.vencovsky@rpa-prague.cz).

Should additional information be required, you may wish to contact the responsible officer in the Employment, Social Affairs, and Inclusion Directorate-General, Mr Ralf Kleinschmidt (Ralf.KLEINSCHMIDT@ec.europa.eu).

Yours faithfully,

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