

## PRESS RELEASE

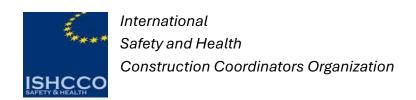
## ISHCCO participated in the 81st General Meeting of ECCE, held from 9–11 October 2025 in Split, Croatia



The International Safety and Health Construction Coordinators Organization (ISHCCO) participated in the 81st General Meeting of the European Council of Civil Engineers (ECCE), held from 9–11 October 2025 in Split, Croatia. Hosted by the Croatian Chamber of Civil Engineers (HKIG), the event gathered delegates from ECCE member and associate organisations, honorary and past presidents, distinguished guests, and leaders of professional institutions — marking a highlight of ECCE's 40th Anniversary Year (1985–2025).

Representing ISHCCO, President Evangelitsa Tsoulofta delivered a presentation titled "Integrating Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) in Construction: The Role of Civil Engineers."

The presentation emphasized that OSH is not only a technical or regulatory issue, but a global development priority and an ethical obligation. It is embedded in the ILO's Decent Work Agenda and the UN Sustainable Development Goals, reflecting its central



role in protecting lives, supporting sustainable growth, and upholding professional integrity.

"Promoting safety and health is not optional; it is part of our professional and ethical responsibility," stated the ISHCCO President. "Safety and Health Coordinators play a crucial role in this effort, working hand in hand with engineers to ensure that safety principles are applied throughout all stages of construction projects."

Key priorities for advancing OSH in construction include enhancing engineers' competence, strengthening workforce safety culture, embedding OSH into procurement and contracting processes, and fostering collaboration between engineers and Safety and Health Coordinators to achieve safer, more resilient construction environments.

ISHCCO's participation reaffirmed its close cooperation with ECCE under their 2023 Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), advancing their shared mission for safer, more resilient built environments across Europe, and highlighting the essential contribution of Safety and Health Coordinators in supporting engineers' work.



## For more information:

info@ishcco.org

www.ishcco.org

## Follow ISHCCO:

LinkedIn

Facebook