

Press Release

Commitment to Workplace Safety

DEKRA Becomes Partner of the International Labour Organization's (ILO) Vision Zero Fund

DEKRA and the International Labour Organization (ILO) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) in Geneva to cooperate within the framework of the Vision Zero Fund. Through this agreement, DEKRA will contribute its global expertise in safety, testing, inspection, and certification to international initiatives aimed at improving occupational safety and health.

The Vision Zero Fund is an initiative of the G7 countries and is administered by the ILO, the UN agency dedicated to promoting decent work and social justice, bringing together governments, employers and workers to advance labor standards worldwide. The initiative is guided by the principle of "Vision Zero" – that every occupational accident, serious injury, and work-related fatality can and should be prevented. The Fund focuses particularly on global supply chains and implements projects in high-risk sectors such as construction, agriculture, garments and textiles. Since 2022, it has also addressed the impact of climate change on occupational safety and health. Since its launch in 2016, the Fund reports improvements in working conditions for more than eight million workers.

As part of the collaboration, DEKRA will contribute capabilities in occupational safety, risk assessment, inspection, auditing, certification, and training. In addition, both partners will collaborate on international expert events, research projects, and knowledge-sharing initiatives to further advance safe and healthy working conditions around the world.

This engagement reinforces DEKRA's position as a global partner for organizations seeking to reduce serious incidents, strengthen operational discipline, and protect workforce continuity across complex operations. For multinational organizations, particularly those managing high hazard environments and extended supply chains, alignment with the Vision Zero framework provides a credible path to demonstrate leadership, transparency, and risk reduction at scale.

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“Safety does not stop at factory gates or national borders. In a globally connected economy, occupational safety and health must also be considered from a global perspective. Through the Vision Zero Fund, we support the shared goal of sustainably reducing occupational accidents and work-related illnesses while promoting safe working conditions across global supply chains. This reflects our commitment for more than 100 years: protecting people today and helping secure the future,” said DEKRA CEO Stan Zurkiewicz at the signing ceremony in Geneva.

Caption: DEKRA CEO Stan Zurkiewicz (left side of the picture) and Frank Hagemann, Director of the ILO Partnerships Department, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) in Geneva to establish cooperation within the framework of the Vision Zero Fund. Photo: DEKRA



About DEKRA

For more than 100 years, DEKRA has been a trusted name in safety. Founded in 1925 with the original goal of improving road safety through vehicle inspections, DEKRA has grown to become the world's largest independent, non-listed expert organization in the field of testing, inspection, and certification. Today, as a global partner, the company supports its customers with comprehensive services and solutions to drive safety and sustainability forward. In 2025, DEKRA generated revenue of 4.4 billion euros. More than 48,000 employees are providing qualified and independent expert services in approximately 60 countries across five continents. DEKRA holds a Platinum rating from EcoVadis, placing it among the top 1% of the world's most sustainable companies.

About the Vision Zero Fund

The [Vision Zero Fund](#) aims to eliminate severe or fatal work-related accidents, injuries, and diseases in global supply chains. It is an initiative of the G7 and has been endorsed by the G20. The [International Labour Organization](#) (ILO) administers the Fund and implements its projects. Vision Zero Fund is an integral part of the ILO's [Safety and Health for All](#) flagship program.