

## **EMU** stands for **European Metal Union**

The EMU was founded in 1954 as IMU in Zürich and changed its name to EMU in 1993

initial aim: to bring metall unions and companies together to face the challenges of the post-second world war period





## Today, the objectives of the EMU are:

- exchange of knowledge and experience amongst members
- create transparency of job profiles and qualifications in order to make them comparable on a European level and to develop European qualifications and professional competences for the metalworking sector <a href="https://www.q4europe.eu">www.q4europe.eu</a>
- promote metalworking occupations in order to attract young people and apprentices into the metal sector and to keep existing workforce
- Look after the interests of its members with a view to rules and regulations, certification, subvention, labour law issues, etc...





#### **Members**

(representing approx. 70.000 companies with 800.000 employees, 70.000 students, 100 Mia € turn-over)

Austria - WKÖ

Belgium - VLAMEF

Denmark - DS Håndværk & Industri

Germany - Bundesverband Metall

Hungaria - OFI/IPOSZ

Netherlands - Koninklijke Metaalun

Switzerland - SMU - Schweizerische Metall-Union

Switzerland - Swissmechanic





### **Sectors:**

mechanical engineering, vehicle assembly, shipbuilding, plant and transport engineering, metallic constructions, metallic joinery, lock and safety engineering, metal design, metal craft, welding, punching, drilling, foundry and many more



**EMU has** three working groups that are respectively under the lead management of one EMU member:

- 1. Committee Education and Training
- 2. Working Group on the European Sectoral Social Dialogue
- 3. Working Groups on technical regulations and standardization





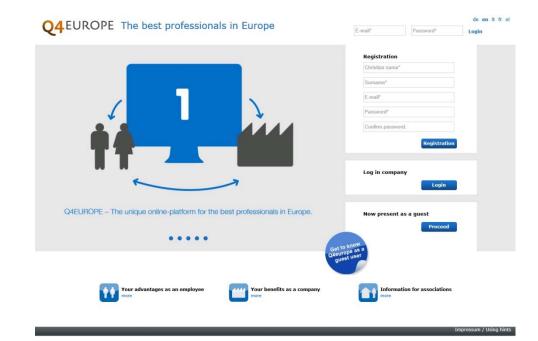
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## **EMU Working Groups**

- 1. The Committee Education and Training is very active because the main challenge for the SME metall industry is the lack of future qualified working force
  - Q4Europe: (Leonardo project)
  - <u>EQF</u>: harmonisation of descriptions of the 8 education levels
  - EMU Pass: develop within the Equal project further EMU passes; insert the EMU Pass into the Euro Pass





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2. The Working Group on the European sectoral social dialogue analyses which topics, of importance to our companies, might be discussed on a European level with the social partners.

So far 2 important issues have been identified:

- An age-based management of the employees and workers
- EMU professional pass





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- 3. The Working Group on technical regulations and standardization analyses which standards and regulations are of utmost importance to our companies. EMU is actively taking part in standardization on a national and European level. Indeed, three of our experts are nominated as SBS experts to CEN Technical Committees:
  - EN CEN 1090 (www.metall-zert.de)
  - TC 33 WG5 doors and gates
  - TC 114 safety of machinery
  - TC 121 welding





The EMU is member of UEAPME, the European Association of crafts and SMEs.

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# **Future challenges:**

- Active lobbying in Brussels
- Development of European professional formation
- Participation the European Social Dialogue
- Active involvement in European standardization and legislation
- Widen the representativeness of EMU by prospecting for new members

