



Safety Joint Statement



ELA-EEA and EFESME, as independent and representative organisations of the lift sector in Europe, agree to cooperate loyally to improve the industry with respect to general industry matters (to be further defined) related to safety, fairness, openness, transparency, innovation, diversity and environment.

This inseparable set of values serves as a guide for every action undertaken.

Safety being the core value, both organisations decide to focus first on the safety of the workers in the elevator industry and, more specifically, the safety and well-being of the workers involved in the installation and maintenance of lifts.

Both organisations are making all their resources and skills available to improve the sector's prevention and safety culture and reduce accident rates in the industry.

Workers' lives and well-being are above the interests of companies and organisations, so the duty to safeguard both lives and well-being must always be present.

The concrete actions are:

- To make a joint call among all the associated companies, as part of their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), to collaborate in improving the culture of prevention to make the lift sector an example for the rest of the industrial sectors.
- To provide aggregated and anonymized information on accidents, incidents and near misses, especially fatal accidents, with as many details as possible.
- To share procedures, technical instructions and good safety practices on assembly, disassembly and maintenance.
- To create European occupational safety standards for assembly, disassembly and maintenance. Due to the demand for modernisation of old lifts in Europe, priority will be given to such situations.
- To publish training sheets in different languages.
- To support initiatives for practical and specific training in occupational risk prevention.
- To evaluate any other initiative that will lead to achieving these objectives.
- To publish reports in European trade magazines to increase the awareness for this subject.

The representatives of ELA-EEA and EFESME sign this document on 20 October 2023 in Augsburg.