



BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Mr Hans-Horst Konkolewsky

ISSA Secretary General

The Secretary General of the International Social Security Association since 2005, Mr Hans-Horst Konkolewsky has promoted the concept of dynamic social security and is a leading advocate of the social dimension of globalization.

Elected by the members of the ISSA to lead the Association, the Secretary General of the ISSA oversees a programme of worldwide activities that includes major international conferences and seminars on social security issues; research and data gathering; training for CEOs and middle-management officials; promotion and public information activities; regional activities for the four regions: Asia, Africa, Europe and the Americas as well as external relations with other major international organizations involved with social and economic development issues (World Bank, IMF, OECD, ILO, WHO, UN, etc.).

Prior to his election as Secretary General, Mr Hans-Horst Konkolewsky served for 10 years as the Director of the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work, a tripartite European Union institution located in Bilbao, Spain. Under his leadership, the Agency became the major provider of safety and health information for workplaces and a key driver in promoting a prevention culture not only in Europe, but also worldwide.

Mr Hans-Horst Konkolewsky, who is a Danish national, also held several senior positions in the Danish Ministry of Employment and served as Deputy Director General of the Danish Working Environment Authority. The Secretary General holds graduate and post-graduate degrees from the University of Aalborg, Denmark.

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