

Workshop

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Promoting new measures for the protection of women workers with oncological conditions

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Conclusion

In the European Union, one new case of breast tumour is diagnosed every two minutes. In particular, breast cancer, second only to lung cancer, is the most common form of tumour in Europe. Some 35% of the 275,000 women diagnosed with breast cancer every year are under 55 years of age, and 12% of them are under 45. The high incidence of this type of tumour, together with the relatively young age of the patients, has a major impact not only on the social lives of the patients, but also on their employment. With regard to people with oncological conditions, and in particular to women with breast cancer, one of the most important difficulties to overcome consists of the need to strike a balance between working hours and medical treatment. Adapt and Europa Donna are currently implementing the European Commission project aimed at raising awareness of the effective legal norms regarding women with oncological conditions and at disseminating good practices at the international level. The project will also involve the social parties and associated enterprises in a perspective of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) with reference to the actors mostly involved in collective bargaining: trade unions and employee associations at territorial and/or company level.

Participation to the workshop is free.

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