



## PLAN FOR SAFETY AND HEALTH PROTECTION

### On most exhibition sites in France

In application of CEE Council directives, the law of 31 December 1993 and its implementing decree define the principles for coordination of construction or Civil Engineering operations. These regulations apply to fair and exhibition field from the design phase to the assembly and disassembly phases.

This provision leads to the fact that all the actors of exhibition field are penally responsible in case of accident.

### A/ THE ORGANIZER

Exhibition organizers set up a General Plan for Safety and Health Protection Coordination (**GPSHPC** ; *in French* **PGCSS**) defining safety actions to prevent risks on the exhibition site and it is for every exhibitor to take note of this legislation with which he is concerned.

The organizer of the show provides general coordination of site works and works to install stands of which it is the client : this end, it designates a **coordinator** with the following mission :

- To participate in the site preparation phase to devise a General Plan for Safety and Health Protection Coordination (**GPSHPC** ; *in French* **PGCSS**) of the fair for all the event and the individual sites, the organiser of which is the client.
- To oversee the correct application of the coordination measures set out in the show **GPSHPC** throughout the period of the works.
- To provide general coordination.

The show **GPSHPC** can be consulted at any time with the organizer.

The organizer of the show may at any time undertake or have undertaken by its coordinator inspection visits relating to the application of the health and occupational safety rules.

## **B/ THE EXHIBITOR**

Formally, for all achievement in co-activity the exhibitor is the client of the stand, and is solely liable for the companies working on his behalf.

If two or more companies are active on its stand, the exhibitor is obligated to designate and deal with a **coordinator** for the stand design, assembly and disassembly phases. This coordinator will be guaranteeing regulation on safety and health protection.

Under the General Plan for Safety and Health Protection Coordination, the exhibitor's **coordinator** must :

- Devise a General Plan for Safety and Health Protection Coordination (stand **GPSHPC** ; *in French PGCSS*) consistent with the show **GPSHPC**.
- Gather the Individual Safety and Health Protection Plans (**PPSPS**) of the companies and subcontractors working on the stand.
- Inform subcontracting companies of the provisions of the show **GPSHPC** and of the stand **GPSHPC** and oversee application of both of them.

## **C/ THE STAND DESIGNER**

The stand designer must

- Devise a **PPSPS** (Individual Safety and Health Protection Plan).
- Advise and help the exhibitor on the choice of the coordinator if he is asked to.
- Inform the subcontractors of the existence of general safety coordination and the necessity of devising a **PPSPS** (Individual Safety and Health Protection Plan) for their own works.
- Participates to the coordination of simultaneous or successive activities organised by the stand coordinator.

## **D/ EXHIBITION CENTRES**

The exhibition centre is not client of the show.

The exhibition centre's only obligation is to give the organiser all information about the installations and operation of the site.