

Generalzolldirektion (Central Customs Authority) Direktion VII - Finanzkontrolle Schwarzarbeit

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Organization and competences:

Direktion VII Finanzkontrolle Schwarzarbeit is one of the nine central directorates forming part of the Central Customs Authority seated in Bonn that was set up in 2016 as a result of the profound reorganization of the customs services in Germany.

Within the competences related to tackling illegal employment and undeclared work, the German customs services carry out inspections in companies, as well as conduct criminal proceedings and adjudication proceedings aimed at imposing fines.

It should be noted that in Germany cases of infringement of labour provisions are dealt with and judged by labour courts.

Cooperation with the National Labour Inspectorate:

The two authorities cooperate in respect of the accomplishment of tasks of liaison offices under Directive 96/71/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 1996 concerning the posting of workers in the framework of the provision of services.

Bundesministerium für Arbeit, Soziales, Gesundheit und Frauen

On 21 September 2001 in Potsdam, the National Labour Inspectorate in the Republic of Poland and Bundesministerium für Arbeit, Soziales, Gesundheit und Frauen of Land Brandenburg signed the Cooperation Program supporting exchange of knowledge and experiences in respect of guaranteeing and enforcing compliance with provisions on occupational safety and health protection of employees.