

## "Don't risk your life, your family is waiting for you."

### A call for safety at work

**IDC, April 28, 2024** - In commemoration of World Day for Safety and Health at Work, the International Dockworkers Council (IDC) joins the global community in promoting safe and healthy work environments for all workers in the dockworker industry.



This day reminds us of the importance of adopting safe work practices, not only to protect our lives, but also to ensure that we return to our loved ones at the end of the day. Under the slogan "Don't risk your life, your family is waiting for you," we reiterate our commitment to prioritize safety in all port operations and dockworking-related activities.

Dockworking is a vital profession that involves unique challenges and inherent risks. From handling heavy loads to operating specialized machinery, each task requires meticulous attention to safety protocols. It is critical that all dockworkers, employers, port authorities, shipowners and governments work together to identify and mitigate risks, thereby promoting a culture of safety in the workplace. It is vitally important to demand minimum safety standards that are respected around the world, while also demanding seamless global legislation with no loopholes or loopholes to ensure compliance.

We encourage all members of our community to actively participate in safety training programs, to report any dangerous situations and to take proactive measures to prevent accidents. Let us remember that safety is the responsibility of each and every one of us.

On this World Day for Safety and Health at Work, we renew our commitment to work together to ensure that every longshoreman goes home safe and sound at the end of every workday. Together, we can create a safe working environment where every worker can perform his or her job with confidence and peace of mind.

Here's to a future where safety is always the priority!