

OSH AUTHORITIES

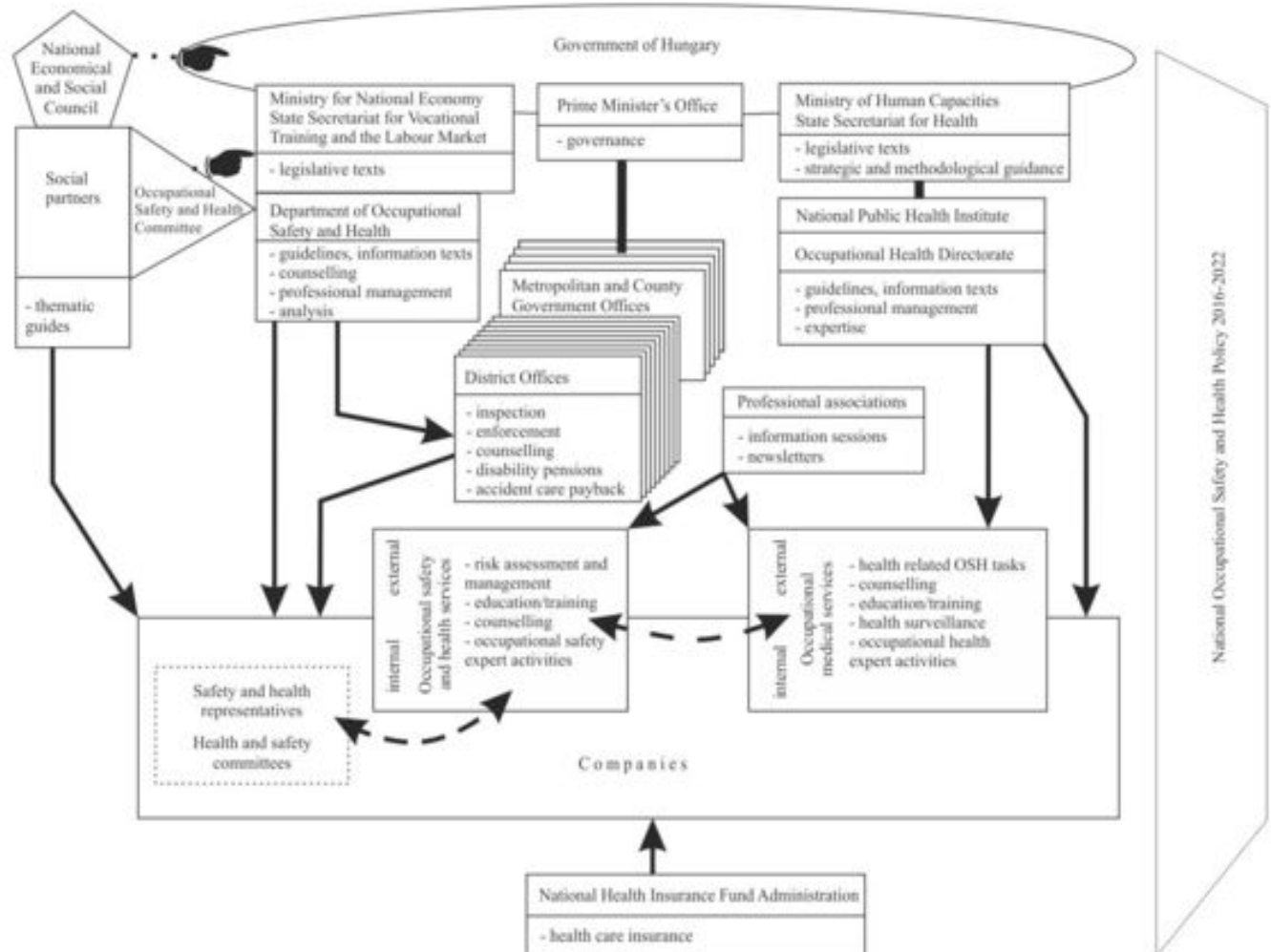
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▪ **OSH Authorities**

Name of Authority	Ministry for National Economy (Nemzetgazdasági Minisztérium – NGM)
Link	http://www.kormany.hu/en/ministry-for-national-economy
Short abstract	The minister is responsible for employment policy, professionally controls and is the authority for OSH inspection activities of the district offices of the government offices that are acting as OSH authority. The Department of Occupational Safety and Health (Munkavédelmi Főosztály) is within the State Secretariat for Vocational Training and the Labour Market (Munkaerőpiacért és Képzésért Felelős Államtitkárság). The Department performs legislative, coordination and functional activities. The most important tasks are the authoritative and professional control, state control and supervision tasks related to occupational safety, data collection and statistical analysis. Furthermore, it informs and counsels the public about issues concerning occupational safety and health. The Department performs certain authority activities as occupational safety expert and operates the information technology system of the OSH authority. In addition to this, the Department participates in national and international committees and operates the Hungarian Focal Point of the European Union Agency for Safety and Health at Work
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Name of Authority	National Public Health Institute (Országos Közegészségügyi Intézet – OKI)
Link	https://www.antsz.hu/
Short abstract	The National Public Health Institute (Országos Közegészségügyi Intézet – OKI) is the background institution of the ministry responsible for health (EMMI), which was founded by merging other institutes (National Centre for Epidemiology –

	<p>OEK, National Public Health Center – OKK, Office of the Chief Medical Officer – OTH), delegating task to the Ministry and reducing personnel.</p> <p>Its Occupational Health Directorate (Munkahigiénés és Foglalkozás-egészségügyi Igazgatóság – MFI) is the successor of the National Institute of Occupational Health (Országos Munkahigiénés és Foglalkozás-egészségügyi Intézet – OMFI). The Directorate professionally controls the field of occupational health (occupational medicine and work hygiene), being the organisational part of OKI, who is the body granted with national occupational health powers. Most important tasks in the (i) professional control, (ii) expertise, (iii) training, further education, information provision, (iv) international professional fields are: development of standard protocols, giving background support and expertise, activities specified in legislation, assessment and analysis, (further) education, publication of professional journals, and international co-operation. In addition to this, the Directorate performs laboratory measurements and special medical examinations.[38]</p>
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Name of Authority	<p>The occupational safety and health units of the Metropolitan and County Government Offices (Fővárosi és Megyei Kormányhivatalok munkavédelmi egységei)</p>
Link	http://www.kormanyhivatal.hu/
Short abstract	<p>The organisation of metropolitan and county government agencies belongs to the Prime Minister's Office. District offices in the county-seats perform the OSH inspections. There are occupational safety and occupational health experts available to control the meeting of legal requirements (inspection, sanctions), counselling and the investigation of work accidents and occupational diseases. The units can ask for support from other departments within the office (e.g. public health).</p>

	<p>Other supervisory organs also perform occupational safety tasks such as the Hungarian Office for Mining and Geology (Magyar Bányászati és Földtani Hivatal). In case of certain distinct areas (armed forces, law enforcement and disaster management bodies, etc.) the given sector issues safety and health regulations pursuant to special authorization in the law.</p> <p>Furthermore, these bodies supervise the enforcement of the OSH regulations falling within their competence. Recently there is an approximation towards the civilian legislation.</p>
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▪ Compensation and insurance bodies

Name of the Body	NONE
Short abstract	<p>The current Hungarian regulations do not separate the accident insurance system, although the issue of its introduction is repeatedly being raised in national strategies. The employer pays social contribution tax after the employees, which partly covers health care costs as well. The value of the contribution, which is set in legislation, is the same for every employer and employee and is independent from the dangerousness of the job. Thus the employer is not directly interested in decreasing the risks inherent in the work environment.</p> <p>Following the dissolution of the National Office for Rehabilitation and Social Affairs (Nemzeti Rehabilitációs és Szociális Hivatal – NRSZH), tasks like the establishment of disability pension, accident disability pension, accident-related allowance, rehabilitation allowance, health damage annuity for miners and the establishment of degree of lasting health damage and the portion thereof arisen in relation to occupation [...]are administered at various places. Generally, cases are handled in district offices, while the Rehabilitation Department in the Government Office of Budapest (Budapest Főváros Kormányhivatala Rehabilitációs Főosztálya) and és a (Szociális és Gyermekvédelmi Főigazgatóság – SZGYF) national level.</p>
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▪ Research Insitutes

Name of Authority	NONE
Short abstract	<p>There is no national OSH research institute in Hungary.</p> <p>The Occupational Health Directorate in the National Public Health Institute (OKI) performs work hygiene, epidemiology, applied occupational physiology – ergonomics and work psychology related researches.</p> <p>Certain universities deal with occupational safety related research.</p>
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▪ Prevention Services

Name of Service	NOT SPECIFIED
Short abstract	<p>There are a number of market-based, well-equipped nationwide occupational health and occupational safety service providers which aim at satisfying the requirements for services.</p>
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▪ Other OSH Services

Name of Association	Főcze Lajos Foundation for Safety and Health Representatives
Link	http://www.mvkepvisele.hu/

Short abstract	The Foundation aims at promoting the possibilities of workers for occupational safety reconciliation and representation of their interests.
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Name of Association	Hungarian Scientific Society for Occupational Health and Medicine (Magyar Üzemegészségügyi Tudományos Társaság – MÜTT)
Link	http://www.mutt.hu/
Short abstract	The Society aims at practicing and developing the occupational medicine, at improving the knowledge of the members and at providing medical ethics education.
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Name of Society	Hungarian Ergonomics Society (Magyar Ergonómiai Társaság – MET)
Link	http://met.ergonomiavilaga.hu/
Short abstract	The objective of the Society is to strengthen and coordinate the position of ergonomics as a profession in order to facilitate the enforcement of human aspects in production, products and services - promoting the implementation of economic objectives.
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Name of Society	Hungarian Scientific Society for Occupational Hygiene and Chemical Safety (Magyar Munkahigiénés és Kémiai Biztonsági Tudományos Társaság – MMKBTT)
Link	No Webpage
Short abstract	The civil organisation promotes the enforcement of primary prevention at work places, public health safety in the country, and aims at improving quality of life. It furthermore promotes carrier prospects and the upgrading of its members' skills.
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Name of Society	Hungarian Chamber of Engineers - Department of Occupational Safety (Magyar Mérnöki Kamara Munkabiztonsági Tagozata)
Link	http://mmk.hu/szervezet/tagozat
Short abstract	The Department represents occupational safety engineers on different forums, distributes information and organises trainings
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Name of Association	Work Safety and Occupational Medical Association (Munkabiztonsági és Foglalkozás-egészségügyi Szövetség – MUFOSZ)
Link	http://www.mufosz.hu/
Short abstract	The association joins prevention specialists, represents the interests of the safety and health profession and promotes a

	healthy and safe working environment via professional meetings, publications, analyses and networking.
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▪ **Standardization Bodies**

Name of the Body	Hungarian Standards Institution (Magyar Szabványügyi Testület – MSZT)
Link	http://www.mszt.hu/
Short abstract	The Hungarian Standards Institution (Magyar Szabványügyi Testület – MSZT) is an independent, non-profit public body the main activities and services of which include: standardisation, certification, adult education, issue of standards, distribution of standards, information supply
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