

## OSH Authorities — Slovakia

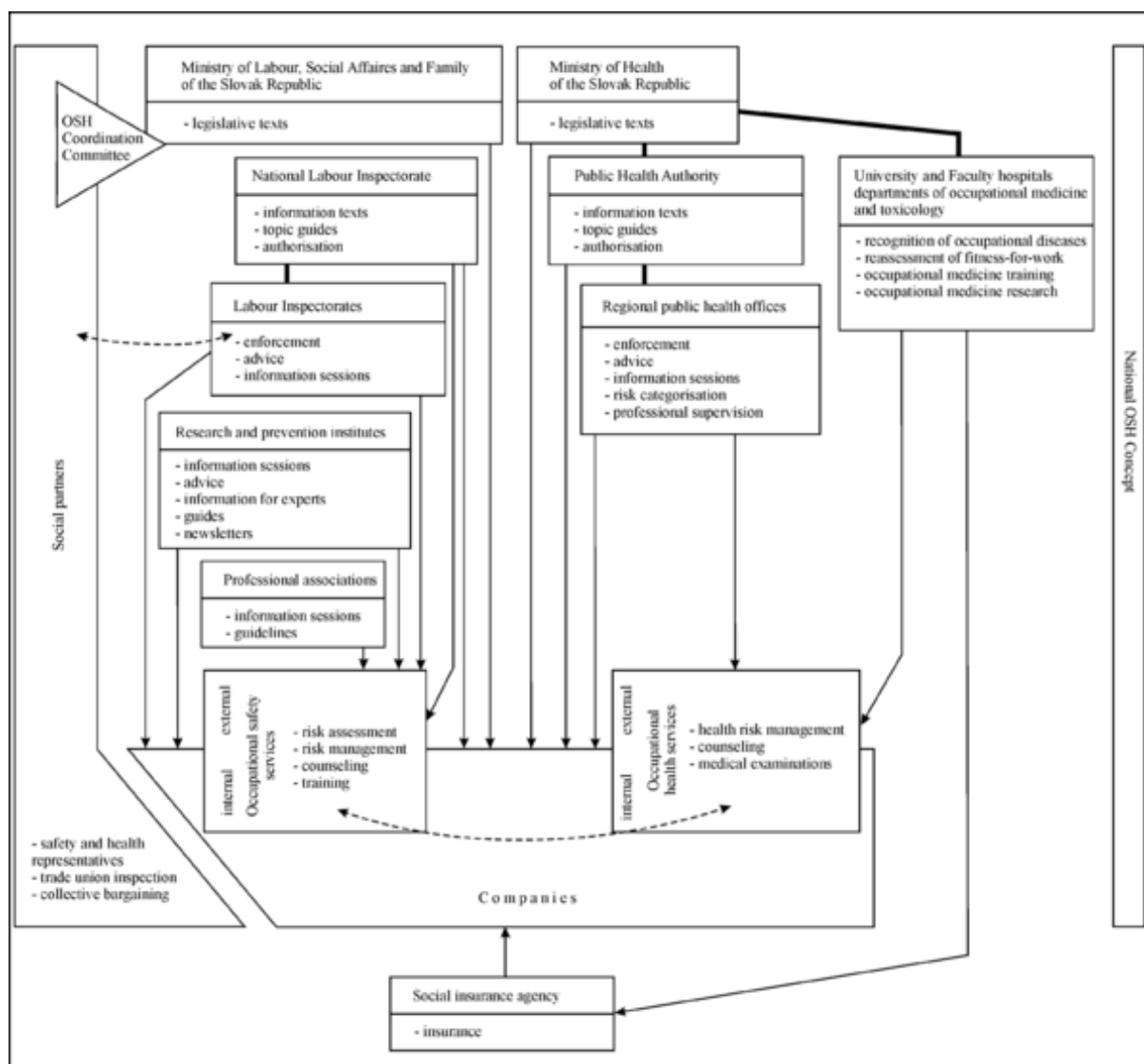
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## SLOVAKIA

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### OSH infrastructure

#### Scheme:



▪ **OSH authorities**

Name of authority	<b>Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Family of the Slovak Republic</b> ( <i>Ministerstvo práce, sociálnych vecí a rodiny Slovenskej republiky</i> )
Link	<a href="https://www.employment.gov.sk/en/">https://www.employment.gov.sk/en/</a>
Short abstract	Traditionally, occupational safety and occupational health are distinct fields in Slovakia. The Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Family of the Slovak Republic is responsible for occupational safety and labour inspection.
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Name of authority	<b>Ministry of Health of the Slovak Republic</b> ( <i>Ministerstvo Zdravotníctva Slovenskej republiky</i> )
Link	<a href="http://www.health.gov.sk/Index.aspx">http://www.health.gov.sk/Index.aspx</a>
Short abstract	Occupational health and hygiene are within the competence of the Ministry of Health of the Slovak Republic. As a result, there are separate executive agencies of the ministry that closely cooperate on national and regional levels in the field of occupational safety and health (OSH).
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Name of authority	<b>National Labour Inspectorate</b> (NIP — <i>Národný inšpektorát práce</i> )
Link	<a href="http://www.nip.sk/">http://www.nip.sk/</a>
Short abstract	<p>Labour inspections are regulated by Act No 125/2006 Coll. NIP is a state administration body with its own budget located in Košice. It manages and controls the eight labour inspectorates of Slovakia's regions, and unifies and rationalises the working methods of the labour inspectors, who are civil servants. A labour inspectorate is considered independent when carrying out labour inspections. Inspections are aimed at ensuring compliance with legal provisions in several fields of OSH: safety at work, safety of technical equipment, working environment agents, nuclear equipment, major industrial accidents, chemicals, and market surveillance of certain products. Recently, the provision of free consultations for employers has been rising. It is NIP that issues and revokes the authorisation to perform safety technical services, and OSH training and education. The tasks of authorising verification of compliance with the requirements for the safety of technical equipment and providing certification to authorised safety technicians are also legally assigned to NIP.</p> <p>State defence, police and armed forces have their own labour inspection bodies. There is also a system of trade union control for the supervision of the employees' health protection, which is independent from labour inspections. This right of unions to carry out inspections is stipulated in the labour law. The activities of these inspectors are paid for by the state.</p>
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Name of authority	<b>Public Health Authority of the Slovak Republic</b> ( <i>Úrad verejného zdravotníctva Slovenskej republiky</i> )
Link	<a href="http://www.uvzsr.sk/">http://www.uvzsr.sk/</a>
Short abstract	State supervision in the field of public health is determined by Act No 355/2007 Coll. The Public Health Authority of the Slovak Republic, which is a budgetary organisation of the state with a registered office in Bratislava, is the supreme office for the regional public health authorities. It manages, controls and coordinates the execution of state administration carried out by regional public health offices. State administration in the sector of health at a regional level is implemented by 36 regional public health authorities, eight of which are in county towns and professionally and methodically direct of others. Public health authorities supervise employers' compliance with legislation and fulfilment of measures tailored for the prevention of occupational diseases. They also supervise the performance of occupational health services and carry out specialised tasks focused on monitoring the health status of employees in relation to working conditions. The public health authorities provide counselling for employers on the implementation of pertinent legal requirements.
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Name of authority	<b>Supreme Mining Authority of the Slovak Republic</b> ( <i>Hlavný banský úrad</i> )
Link	<a href="http://www.hbu.sk/">http://www.hbu.sk/</a>
Short abstract	Among other tasks, this authority ensures safety and health protection at work and the safety of operations. It is entitled to demand that the necessary measures be implemented.
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Name of authority	<b>Nuclear Regulatory Authority of the Slovak Republic</b> ( <i>ÚJD SR — Úrad jadrového dozoru Slovenskej republiky</i> )
Link	<a href="https://www.ujd.gov.sk/ujd/www1.nsf/viewByKeyMenu/En-01">https://www.ujd.gov.sk/ujd/www1.nsf/viewByKeyMenu/En-01</a>
Short abstract	The ÚJD SR is a central government authority of the Slovak Republic for nuclear regulation. The authority exercises state supervision over nuclear safety of nuclear installations, including radioactive waste management, spent fuel management and other stages of the fuel cycle; nuclear materials, including their inspection and registration; and the physical protection of nuclear installations and nuclear materials provided for by the relevant licence holder. The ÚJD SR assesses plans for the use of nuclear energy, the quality of classified equipment and nuclear technology devices, and the commitments of the Slovak Republic arising from international treaties on nuclear safety of nuclear installations and nuclear materials management. The ÚJD SR is a legal entity; as a result, the rules for managing funds of a state budgetary organisation apply. The ÚJD SR has a separate chapter in the state budget, it has no subordinate bodies on regional or district levels, and it is not a founder of any state budgetary or state contributory organisation or any other legal entities.
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## ■ Compensation and insurance bodies

Name of body	<b>Social Insurance Agency</b> ( <i>Sociálna poisťovňa</i> )
Link	<a href="http://www.socpoist.sk/">http://www.socpoist.sk/</a>
Short abstract	This statutory institution is the national body for sickness insurance, pension insurance, accident insurance, unemployment insurance and guarantee insurance. Its headquarters regulates, controls and methodologically guides 37 branch offices. It is in charge of pension insurance and two types of benefits from accident insurance. The branch offices of the executive body are responsible for the collection and recovery of sickness, unemployment and guarantee contributions, and benefits pay outs, as well as direct contact with clients.
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## ■ Research institutes

Name of institute	<b>Institute for Labour and Family Research</b> (IVPR — <i>Inštitút pre výskum práce a rodiny</i> )
Link	<a href="http://www.ivpr.gov.sk/">http://www.ivpr.gov.sk/</a>
Short abstract	<p>The IVPR is a state allowance departmental research organisation. Its research is focused on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the management of occupational risk factors;</li> <li>• the quality of working conditions and the working environment;</li> <li>• psycho-social aspects of OSH;</li> <li>• socioeconomic aspects of OSH;</li> <li>• systems of employees' individual protection.</li> </ul> <p>The IVPR participates in the coordination of publicly financed research on OSH (projects of the Slovak Research and Development Agency, the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic, and the Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs of the Slovak Republic). The institute has created an agency of institutions that regularly provides information on these institutions' work and on the OSH research that they carry out.</p>
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Name of institute	<b>Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava — Faculty of Materials Science and Technology</b> (STU-MTF — <i>Materiálovo-technologická fakulta Slovenskej technickej univerzity</i> )
Link	<a href="http://www.mtf.stuba.sk/generate_page.php?page_id=1">http://www.mtf.stuba.sk/generate_page.php?page_id=1</a>
Short abstract	<p>The OSH research of the STU-MTF mainly focuses on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the determination of safety characteristics of substances;</li> <li>• the development of new methods for the assessment of technological risks;</li> <li>• the assessment of dangerous substances in term of their environmental effect;</li> <li>• the measurement of working environment agents.</li> </ul>
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Name of institute	<b>Technical University of Košice — Faculty of Mechanical Engineering</b> (SJF-TUKE — <i>Strojnícka fakulta Technickej univerzity v Košiciach</i> )
Link	<a href="http://www.tuke.sk/wps/portal/tuke/faculties/sjf">http://www.tuke.sk/wps/portal/tuke/faculties/sjf</a>
Short abstract	The OSH research of the SJF-TUKE mainly focuses on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the safety of technical systems;</li> <li>• the management of technical equipment risk and risk simulation;</li> <li>• OSH management and integrated management systems;</li> <li>• the risks of major industrial accidents and emergency planning;</li> <li>• protection from noise effects;</li> <li>• ergonomic aspects of occupational safety;</li> <li>• the transporting of dangerous substances;</li> <li>• safety in maintenance, new methods and approaches.</li> </ul>
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Name of institute	<b>University of Security Management of Košice</b> (VŠBM — <i>Vysoká škola bezpečnostného manažérstva v Košiciach</i> )
Link	<a href="http://www.vsbm.sk/">http://www.vsbm.sk/</a>
Short abstract	The OSH research of the VŠBM mainly focuses on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• safety in industry — technical and technological safety;</li> <li>• integrated management systems;</li> <li>• environmental safety;</li> <li>• the effects of human factors on safety;</li> <li>• safety and education.</li> </ul>
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Name of institute	<b>University of Žilina — Faculty of Special Engineering</b> (FŠI ŽU — <i>Fakulta špeciálneho inžinierstva Žilinskej univerzity v Žiline</i> )
Link	<a href="http://fbi.uniza.sk/">http://fbi.uniza.sk/</a>
Short abstract	The OSH research areas of the FŠI ŽU include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the analysis, risk assessment and design of preventive measures;</li> <li>• the safety of transporting dangerous objects;</li> <li>• integrated safety systems;</li> <li>• new concepts of maintenance in machine engineering with technical diagnostics utilisation;</li> <li>• mathematical simulation of safety characteristics of management systems.</li> </ul>
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Name of institute	<b>VÚTCH-CHEMITEX</b> ( <i>Výskumný ústav textilnej chémie</i> )
Link	<a href="http://vutch.sk/">http://vutch.sk/</a>
Short abstract	Research areas of this institute include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• nanotechnologies and the preparation of multifunctional materials for human protection;</li> <li>• technologies and products for the production of intelligent textile fabrics.</li> </ul>
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Name of institute	<b>Comenius University — Medical Faculty in Bratislava</b> (UK-LF — <i>Kliniky pracovného lekárstva a toxikológie Lekárskej fakulty Komenského univerzity v Bratislave</i> )
Link	<a href="http://www.fmed.uniba.sk/pracoviska/klinicke-pracoviska/klinika-pracovneho-lekarstva-a-toxikologie-lf-uk-a-un-bratislava/">http://www.fmed.uniba.sk/pracoviska/klinicke-pracoviska/klinika-pracovneho-lekarstva-a-toxikologie-lf-uk-a-un-bratislava/</a>
Short abstract	Research areas of UK-LF include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• new emerging risks and new occupational diseases;</li> <li>• biological monitoring of the exposed population;</li> <li>• new diagnostic procedures of occupational diseases;</li> <li>• the differentiation between occupational diseases and work-related diseases.</li> </ul>
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Name of institute	<b>Jessenius Medical Faculty in Martin</b> (UK-JLF — <i>Jesseniovej lekárskej fakulty v Martine</i> )
Link	<a href="http://www.jfmed.uniba.sk/pracoviska/vedecko-pedagogicke-pracoviska/kliniky-a-ustavy/klinika-pracovneho-lekarstva-a-toxikologie/">http://www.jfmed.uniba.sk/pracoviska/vedecko-pedagogicke-pracoviska/kliniky-a-ustavy/klinika-pracovneho-lekarstva-a-toxikologie/</a>
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Name of institute	<b>University of Pavol Jozef Šafárik — Faculty of Medicine</b> (UPJŠ-LF — <i>Klinika pracovného lekárstva a klinickej toxikológie Lekárskej fakulty Univerzity Pavol Jozef Šafárika v Košiciach</i> )
Link	<a href="http://www.upjs.sk/lekarska-fakulta/klinika/pracovne-lekarstvo/">http://www.upjs.sk/lekarska-fakulta/klinika/pracovne-lekarstvo/</a>
Short abstract	Research areas of the UPJŠ-LF include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• new emerging risks and new occupational diseases;</li> <li>• biological monitoring of the exposed population;</li> <li>• new diagnostic procedures of occupational diseases;</li> <li>• the differentiation between occupational diseases and work-related diseases.</li> </ul>
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#### ■ Prevention services

Name of service	<b>Institute of Occupational Safety</b> ( <i>Inštitút bezpečnosti práce</i> )
Link	<a href="http://ibp.sk/">http://ibp.sk/</a>
Short abstract	This institute provides services and training in occupational and fire safety for companies.
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▪ **Standardisation bodies**

Name of authority	<b>Slovak Standards Institute</b> (SÚTN — <i>Slovenský ústav technickej normalizácie</i> )
Link	<a href="http://www.sutn.sk/">http://www.sutn.sk/</a>
Short abstract	The SÚTN was established by the Slovak Office of Standards, Metrology and Testing ( <i>Úrad pre normalizáciu, metrológiu a skúšobníctvo Slovenskej republiky</i> ). The SÚTN is exclusively assigned to the development, approval and publishing of Slovak Standards, and the fulfilment of obligations stemming from international contracts and Slovakia's membership in international and European standards organisations.
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