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Cork, Ireland (October 2-3, 2025): “Leading the Change” at the 8th FOHNEU Congress

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At a decisive moment for occupational health nursing in Europe, the Federation of Occupational Health Nurses in the European Union (FOHNEU) is convening professionals, policymakers, and academics for its 8th International Congress. Under the inspiring theme "Leading the Change," an unmissable event for those leading the future of workplace well-being will take place on October 2 and 3, 2025, in the vibrant city of Cork.

This congress represents much more than a space for discussion: it is the perfect platform to respond, through nursing practice, to current challenges such as digital transformation, mental health, the protection of vulnerable groups, and the promotion of equity and accessibility. In addition, the effects of new and existing occupational diseases will be addressed, with a focus on carcinogenic, mutagenic, and toxic substances (CMR), while also recognizing the valuable SME environment and human leadership in managing workplace well-being.

In a post-pandemic world, where hybrid work and emotional pressure have become the norm, occupational health nurses play an essential role as facilitators of the balance between organizational performance and individual health. The congress is anticipated as a hub of innovative knowledge, where well-being in education, technology, and psycho-emotional support approaches can be shared. It motivates us to rethink traditional models and move toward more flexible and inclusive structures.

The conference's thematic axes—digital innovations, training, healthcare worker health, protection of vulnerable workers, occupational diseases, mental health, diversity, inclusion, and leadership—constitute a holistic agenda that reflects the current complexity of the work environment (fohneu.org).

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Moreover, this conference represents a unique opportunity to strengthen ties between research, public policy, and clinical practice. Workshops, sessions, and presentations will allow nurses to share scientific findings, innovative tools, and field experiences that can be scaled and adapted to diverse work contexts.

Similarly, the FOHNEU Federation strengthens its reputation as a driver of change in the profession, reflected in its network of sponsors and collaborations with organizations such as EJOHN, the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work, and Healthy Workplaces, among others (www.fohneu.org).

Cork as an Inspiring Setting. Choosing Cork is no coincidence. This city, rich in cultural heritage and economic drive, is also associated with community health initiatives and offers the ideal setting for such a visionary professional gathering. Its vibrant and welcoming atmosphere enhances the networking experience and fosters creativity and the exchange of ideas, perfectly in line with the spirit of transformation that inspires the conference's theme.

Call for Participation

We invite all readers of the European Journal of Occupational Health Nursing—nurses, researchers, academics, and institutional figures—to participate in this relevant event. This is an invaluable opportunity to raise awareness of work in occupational health, share innovative best practices, and actively contribute to the development of evidence-based policies and practices.

Let's prepare to lead change, together, from Cork.