

5. MONITORING AND RESEARCH ABOUT INDUSTRIAL AND EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS

The following is the list of reports submitted in 2009 and 2010 to the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions in Dublin (<http://www.eurofound.europa.eu/>). Dr Manwel Debono has overall responsibility of the project and coordinated the Centre's contributions to the European Industrial Relations Observatory until Mr David Parnis took over such coordination in the last quarter of 2010. Anna Borg coordinates the Centre's contributions to the European Working Conditions Observatory and the European Restructuring Monitor.

5.1 European Industrial Relations Observatory (EIRO)

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Social partners propose package to get economy going	Apr 09
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