

Confederation of Norwegian Enterprise

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This is NHO



Members:

33 000



FTE's:

690 000



Smaller businesses:

91%

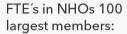
Medium businesses:





Large companies:

4%





216 867



Regional offices:

10



Sectoral Federations:

17



Processed legal cases:

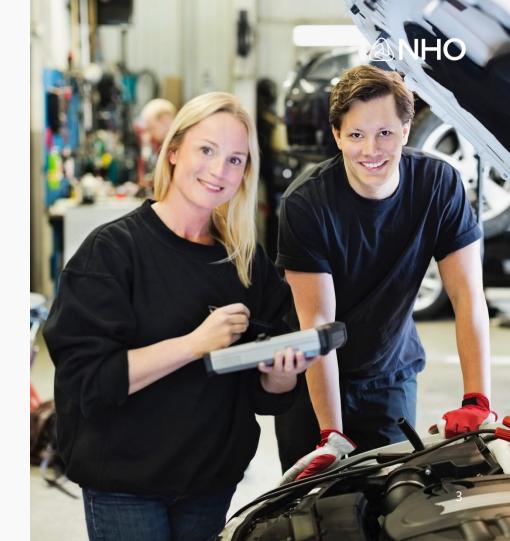
200+



The members in focus

As an NHO member, you are part of a large community with extensive experience and huge expertise.

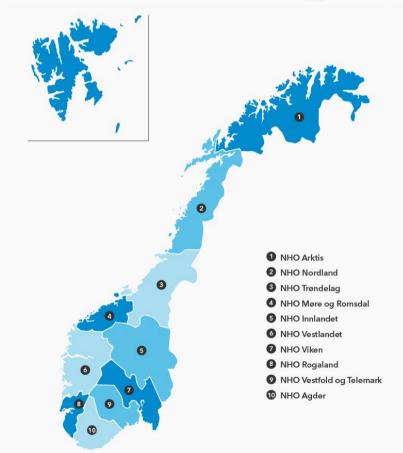
NHO central office 10 regional offices 17 sectoral federations





NHO's 10 regional offices assist members throughout Norway

A unique membership benefit that NHO provides locally.



Sectoral federations























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Departments

- Social policy
- Communication/Lobbying
- Industrial affairs
- International affairs
- Internal matters (finance, ict, property)



Membership

- Dual membership mandatory for all companies
- The sector federations are not members of NHO
- Competetion with other EBMOs



International affairs

- Split between Soc policy and Industrial Policy dept
- Most important: EU/EEA/BE
- ILO/IOE
- OECD/BIAC
- UNGC



Relationship Sector fed - NHO

- Not regarded as a group, the federations have a lot of freedom
- Social policy; all in line
- Industrial policy; disagreement



NHO is a respected social partner

- An organisation for responsible companies
- Works to combat corruption and undeclared labour
- A mark of quality for companies
- Close dialogue with the authorities



Industrial relations and social dialogue in Norway



Collective Agreements in a brief historical view – the starting point

- Confederation of Norwegian Enterprise (NHO) was established in 1900 (a merger between three org)
 - > An answer to the creation of LO (1899)
 - Same organizational structure as LO
- The first national Collective Agreement (CA) at branch level concluded in 1907
 - Mainly about terms and conditions
 - But also the starting point for social dialogue
 - This CA is still the "mother" of all our CAs for blue collar workers

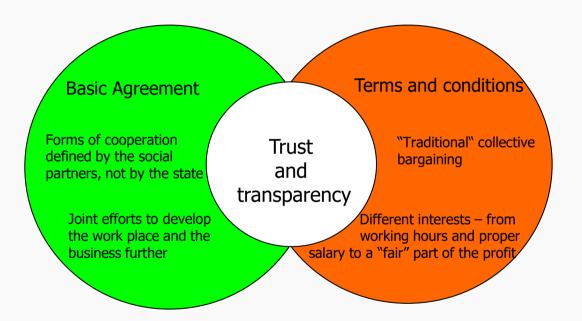
Wage formation in Norway



- No national minimum salary
 - For some sectors the Government makes the actual CBA temporary mandatory for all companies operating within the sector (shipbuildig, construction and agriculture)
- Approximately 50 procent of employees (white collar) in private sector have individual salary agreed directly with management.
 - The role of their union is to locally negotiate with the employer the total increase of the salary budget for their members.
 - The national CBA gives the right to negotiate a framework agreement
- Centralized negotiations
 - Technical committee (TBU), National mediator, Labour court
 - General minimum increase
 - Minimum salary adjustments
 - The pace setting model
 - CBA signed local negotiations starts

Our **philosophy** forms the basis for Industrial Relations in Norway





Workers and management have a mutual interest in making the company competitive



Tripartite dialogue

- Bodies for cooperation with the government
- Easy access to ministers
- Hearings



Wage negotiations at enterprise level



Background, context

- After the sector negotiations are concluded
- Based solely on the local situation



The four criterias

- The financial situation of the company
- Productivity
- The future outlook
- The competiveness of the company
 - These criterias are part of all collective agreements