



Agenda
Putting the quality of jobs at the heart of the European Employment Strategy
28 & 29 February 2008
Boulevard du Roi Albert II, 5. 1210 Brussels

REGISTRATION : 12H00 – 13H30

13 :30- 14.30	Opening of the conference : Introduction : ETUC's position on the revision of the employment guidelines (Walter Cerfeda, Confederal Secretary of the ETUC) Vladimir Spidla, European Commissioner for Employment and Social Affairs. Communication on the employment integrated guidelines Quality of Employment in Europe: The point of view of a member country - Josly Piette – Ministry of Labour of Belgium
14.30 -16. 00	Part I : The quality and precariousness of work : the situation in Europe <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quality of work in Europe which elements and which indicators? What relation with the European Employment Strategy? – Christine Erhel, University of Paris• Situations and tendencies of precarious work in Europe – European Trade Union institute - Janine Leschke• Discussion with the participants.
Coffee break	
16.30 -18.00	Part II: quality of work and labour-market segmentation ('insiders – outsiders'). <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Job quality and job creation : The major trends in Europe- John Morley (University of Nottingham Business School)• Is 'flexibilisation' of the labour market a good thing for the European economy and for those who are at the margin of the labour Market (the outsiders) Alfred Kleinknecht (Delft University)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum wage , qualifications and employment – Gabriele Sterkel (Verdi) • Precarious contracts and going workers: Slovenian experience. Stasa Pernat (ZSSS) <p>Discussions with the participants</p>
February 29	Second day
9.00 – 11.30	<p>Part III: How to improve the quality of work: What role for European policy?</p> <p>Introduction of the day: The joint analysis of the social partners: Main messages on 'quality jobs' and 'precarious work' – Joël Decaillon- (Confederal Secretary of the ETUC)</p> <p>Role of the European Social <i>Acquis</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of the European social <i>acquis</i> and of its respect in national practices. Wiebke Warneck (ETUI-REHS) • Equality of men / women and the existing European <i>acquis</i>. Jill Rubery (Manchester Business School) • Intensifying and widening the existing European Social <i>acquis</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Temporary workers – Bernadette Ségol UNI-Europa ◦ Reconciliation work/ family life - Catelene Passchier (Confederal Secretary, ETUC)
11.30 –13.00	<p>Role of the OMC method: How to organize a real 'upwards' competition through collective bargaining: Examples of good practices</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finland: Elomaa Nikolas (SAK-FI) • Italy: Giorgio Santini (CISL-IT) • France : Marie France Boutroue (CGT- FR) • Flexible working rights: Lessons and good practice examples from the Netherlands , Germany and Great Britain – Ariane Hegewish (Institute for Women's Policy Research)
14.30 –16.00	<p>Round table: Lisbon and the quality of work in the new integrated guide lines 2008- 2010</p> <p>General intervention : Philippe Pochet –Director European Trade Union Institute</p>

Reactions and discussion with

- **Klaus Brandner** : Parliamentary secretary of state of the work and social matters
- **Emilio Gabaglio**. EMCO President
- **LYNCH Esther**: ICTU
- **Joël Decaillon**. Confederal secretary of ETUC

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