ETUC annual EWC Conference
11-12 September 2019
“Stronger European Works Councils for
More Democracy at Work”
International Auditorium, International Trade Union House,
5 boulevard du Roi Albert II, 1210 Brussels
Interpretation in English, French, German, Italian and Spanish

Wednesday 11 September 2019

13:30 Welcome address by the Chair of the conference
The ETUC campaign for “more democracy at work”
Isabelle Schömann, Confederal Secretary ETUC

ETUC Video on More Democracy at Work

Video contributions from European trade union federations:
- Jan Willem Goudriaan, EPSU General Secretary
- Sam Hagglund, EFBWW General Secretary

14:00 Panel 1 – How to strengthen democracy at work
Moderator: Isabelle Schömann, Confederal Secretary ETUC

- Luca Visentini, ETUC General Secretary
- Luc Triangle, IndustriAll General Secretary
- Livia Spera, ETF acting General Secretary
- Iraxte Garcia Perez, Member of the European Parliament, President of the S&D Group in the European Parliament
- Dennis Radtke, Member of the European Parliament, Coordinator of the EPP Group in the Employment and Social Affairs Committee
- Karl-Heinz Lambertz, President of the European Committee of the Regions
- Riikka-Maria Turkia, Counsellor, Finnish Permanent Representation

Discussion and questions from EWC members

15:30 Coffee break
### Panel 2 – How to strengthen EWCs to better shape economic and social transformation

**Moderator:** Isabelle Schömann, Confederal Secretary ETUC

- Oliver Roethig, UNI Europa Regional Secretary
- Enrico Somaglia, EFFAT Deputy General Secretary
- Sylvie Brunet, Member of the European Parliament, Deputy-coordinator of the Renew Europe Group in the Employment and Social Affairs Committee
- Kira Marie Peter-Hansen, Member of the European Parliament, Coordinator of the Greens/EFA Group in the Employment and Social Affairs Committee
- Nikolaj Villumsen, Member of the European Parliament, GUE/NGL Group Vice-President and Coordinator in the Employment and Social Affairs Committee
- Oliver Röpke, President Workers’ Group of the European Economic and Social Committee

Discussion and questions from EWC members

### 17.30 End of the discussions

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**Thursday 12 September 2019**

**09:00 EWC experience – how to shape just transition towards fair digitalisation**

**Moderator:** Aline Hoffmann, Head of unit Europeanisation industrial relations, ETUI

- Robert Textoris, Chair of ENGIE EWC – EPSU
- Marko Palada, HST Croatian telecommunication Trade Union – UNI Europa
- Sonia Cattaneo, Chair of Air Liquide EWC – IndustriAll
- Sebastián Serena Expósito - Danone Global works council – EFFAT
- Bianca Cuciniello, Groupama EWC – UNI Europa

Discussion and questions from the floor

**10:30 Coffee break**

**11:00 EWC experience – how to ensure just transition towards a low carbon economy**

**Moderator:** Benjamin Denis, ETUC advisor

- Federica Gandini, Barilla EWC – EFFAT
- Guy Van Huyte, Keolis EWC – ETF
- Rudy De Leeuw, Member of the EESC, former President of ETUC and ABVV-FGTB
- Martin Krinthove, Chair of Uniper EWC – EPSU
- Stephan Seiffert, Ardagh Group EWC - IndustriAll

Discussion and questions from the floor

**12:30 Concluding remarks**

*Isabelle Schömann, Confederal Secretary ETUC*