

European Social Partners Seminar

Tackling the gender pay gap and promoting childcare

Agenda

12 June 2018

***Auditorium, ITUH
Boulevard Roi Albert II 5, Brussels***

08:30 – 09:00 Participants' registration and welcome coffee

09:00 – 10:00 Separate meetings of employers and trade unions

10:00 – 10:15 Opening

- **Ms Gloria Mills**, ETUC Women's Committee President
 - **Ms Minna Etu-Seppälä**, Chair, Equal Opportunities Network, BusinessEurope
 - **Ms Carlotta Astori**, Project Officer, CEEP
 - **Mr Arnold De Boer**, Adviser for Social Affairs, UEAPME
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European Commission address

The EU Action Plan 2017-2019 on tackling the gender pay gap and EU policy to improve childcare provision in Europe

- 10:15 – 11:00**
- **Ms Karen Vandekerckhove**, Head of Unit, Gender Equality *Gender Pay Gap Action Plan; Barcelona targets report*
 - **Ms Manuela Geleng**, Acting Director, Social Affairs *After school care; Funding in current and future MFF and investing in children*

Discussion

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

Tackling the gender pay gap

Moderators: Mr Guillaume Afellat CEEP; Ms Cinzia Sechi ETUC

- 11:30 – 13:00**
- **Mr Willem Adema**, Senior Economist, OECD: The Equal Pay International Coalition (EPIC)
 - **Ms Hildegard Van Hove**, Institut pour l'égalité des femmes et des hommes, Belgium
 - **Mr Thomas Fischer**, Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth, Germany
 - **Ms Trine Birgitte Hougaard**, Chefkonsulent, Danish Employers Confederation (DA)
 - **Ms Anja Lahermaa**, Lawyer, STTK-Finland

Discussion

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

Investing in childcare

Moderators: Mr Mathias Maucher EPSU; Mr Guillaume Cravero, BusinessEurope

- 14:00 – 14:45**
- **Ms Nihan Koseleci Blanchy**, Education Economist, European Investment Bank
 - **Ms Alexia Vella**, Malta's employment agency Jobs Plus

Discussion

The need to improve childcare provision in Europe

Moderators: Ms Barbara Helfferich, ETUC; Mr Guillaume Cravero, BusinessEurope

- 14:45 – 16:00**
- **Ms Åsa Bäckström**, Development Secretary at the Early Childhood Education, Unit of Development, City of Malmö
 - **Ms Lucilla Pirovano**, FP CGIL Italy
 - **Ms Ainhoa Vermunt**, Unizo

Discussion

16:00 – 16:30 Coffee break

Concluding panel: The way forward

- 16:30 – 17:00**
- **Mr Maxime Cerutti**, Social Affairs Director, BusinessEurope
 - **Ms Montserrat Mir**, ETUC Confederal Secretary
 - **Mr Guillaume Afellat**, Policy Advisor, CEEP
 - **Mr Arnold De Boer**, Adviser for Social Affairs, UEAPME

17.00 End of the seminar
