



The European Confederation of Independent Trade Unions (CESI) in cooperation with The European Economic and Social Committee (EESC)

invites you to the next

CESI Talk

on

Precarious work and lack of access to social rights – The particular case of fixed-term contracts

The European Confederation of Independent Trade Unions (CESI) and the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC) invite you to a stimulating discussion on the impact of precarious work on access to social rights.

The current initiatives under the Pillar of Social Rights show an increased determination in fighting precarious work and in improving access to social rights. In particular, the recent proposals on access to social protection, transparent and predictable working conditions and better work-life balance point undoubtedly into the right direction.

CESI believes that more reflection is needed to fully **understand the link between precarious work and the lack of access to employment protection and labour law, interest representation and social protection**. Many workers find themselves in a catch-22 situation, accepting any kind of atypical form of employment so to avoid the downsides of unemployment, yet risking to end up having even less access to social rights by choosing this 'compromise'.

CESI also aims at responding in particular to the concerns of various trade union representatives from all over Europe faced with the particularity of precariousness at work in the form of (repeated) fixed-term contracts. The meeting is organized in the context of an EU funded project on 'Precarious work – empowering trade unions to address the new challenges'.



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Tuesday, 5th March 2019 – 10.00 to 15.00 European Economic and Social Committee, room VMA 3, Rue van Maerlant 2, Brussels

Opening 10.00

Romain Wolff, President, CESI Marie Lagarrigue, Deputy Head of Unit, Unit EMPL.B2., Directorate General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion Javi López, Member of the European Parliament (S&D, ES) Franz Eiffe, Researcher, Eurofound

Panel 1 - 10.30-12.30

The link between precarious work and the absence of social rights – Type of gaps and interplays

 Christian Moos, Divisional Director of European and International Affairs, German Federation of Civil Servants (DBB, DE), Member of the EESC Lucie Davoine, Policy Officer, European Commission
Laura Agea, Member of the European Parliament (Europe of Freedom and Direct Democracy Group, IT)
Matthäus Fandrejewski, CESI Youth Representative

Closing remarks panel 1 Luca Jahier, President of the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC)

12.30-13.30: Light lunch & coffee break

Panel 2- 13.30-15.00 Concrete proposals for improving protection, security and social and economic stability

Franca Salis Madinier, Member of the Workers' Group, EESC Brando Benifei, Member of the European Parliament, (S&D, IT) Javier Jordan de Urries Sagarna, Independent Trade Union of Civil Servants (CSIF, ES) Marcello Pacifico, President of the Professional Trade Union Association (ANIEF, IT) Klaus Heeger, Secretary General, CESI

> *Moderator* **Pierre Baussand**, Head of the Brussels Liaison Office, Eurofound

> > Conclusions

Klaus Heeger, Secretary General, CESI

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