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Affiliates' Draft Resolutions
Fighting for a Future for All
Submitted by UNITE the Union, UK and Ireland

| | | Proposed amendments | |
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| 1. | The economic crisis of 2008 has led to the longest economic downturn in a generation. Yet those that caused the crisis – the casino capitalists at the top of our financial sectors – have not been held responsible. | | |
| 2. | Instead right wing politicians across Europe, and further afield, have used the opportunity to launch an unprecedented attack on collective bargaining, workplace rights and our public services. | | |
| 3. | Our members have faced devastating pay cuts at a time when the cost of living rises ever upwards, leading to sharp declines in living standards for working people across Europe. | | |
| 4. | EPSU totally rejects the current austerity addiction. Instead EPSU will continue to campaign for increased investment in our public services and to ensure that we support and protect the most vulnerable in our societies. Quality public services are at the heart of the Europe that we want and deserve. The austerity agenda has failed and it is time for an alternative. | | |
| 5. | We believe that EPSU should continue to be at the heart of the fight back. Too often there is an attempt to divide workers and isolate public sector from private sector in some form of competing camps over ever diminishing resources. EPSU rejects this approach and will continue to build solidarity across the whole of the European trade union movement in the fight for an alternative. | | |
| 6. | In addition to continuing to lead the debate against | | |

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| | austerity EPSU will; | | |
| 7. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Campaign for a clear exemption for public services, health and education in the current negotiations over the proposed Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership and will oppose all attempts to include any Investor State Dispute Settlement mechanism in the potential agreement. EPSU will also work with sister unions in the USA in using any opportunity to develop innovative proposals for the extension of the EU social model through these negotiations; for example the extension of the right to representation on European Works Councils to American workers. | | |
| 8. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Play a leading role in the continuing campaigns at national, European and global level for a Financial Transactions Tax to limit speculation and improve the regulation of the finance sector. | | |