

The European Social Dialogue Recent developments

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Outline

- EU SD results (short recap)
- EU SPs Joint Work Programmes (II and III)
- The Integrated Programme
- ETUC project on EU-SD

European Social Partners

Representing European workers

- ETUC/CES European Trade Union Confederation;
 - Established in 1973;
 - 82 member organisations in 36 countries;
 - 60m workers;
 - 12 European Industry Federations;
 - Eurocadres (professional & managerial staff)
 - FERPA (retired retired & older people)

Representing European employers

BUSINESSEUROPE

- the Confederation of European Business;
- UEAPME European Association of Craft, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises;
- European Centre of Enterprises with Public Participation and of Enterprises with General Economic Interest

EU social dialogue results

from 1986 to 2010

7* Framework agreements

- Agreements on **parental leave**, 14 December 1995 + 18 June 2009
 - Directive 96/34/EC of 3 June 1996
 - Directive 10/18/EC of 8 March 2010
- Agreement on **part time work**, 6 June 1997
 - Directive 97/81/EC of 15 December 1997
- Agreement on **fixed term contracts**, 19 March 1999
 - Directive 99/70/EC of 28 June 1999
- Agreement on telework, 16 July 2002 > Implementation by SP
- Agreement on work-related stress, 8 October 2004 > Implementation by SP
- Agreement on harassment and violence at work, 21 April 2007 > Implementation by SP
- Agreement on **inclusive labour markets**, 25 March 2010 > Implementation by SP

EU social dialogue results

from 1986 to 2010

2 Framework of actions

- Framework of actions on the lifelong development of competencies and qualifications, 14 March 2002
- Framework of actions on gender equality, 22 March 2005
- Report on joint work on ECJ rulings in the Viking, Laval, Rüffert and Luxembourg cases, 19 March 2010
- **Joint Labour Market Analysis**, 18 October 2007
- More than 50 joint reports, recommendations, declarations, opinions, compendia of good practices, etc.

EU social dialogue results

Three joint work programmes

- 2003-2005
- 2006-2008
- 2009-2010

Four Integrated Programmes of the EU Social Partners

- Joint seminars capacity building on social dialogue
- Joint study on restructuring EU 27

Resource centres

- Websites
- Training & Mentoring
- 2nd level trainings on social dialogue
- Seminars on demand / Twinnings
- Joint Tranlsation Fund
- Joint study on Flexicurity
- Joint study on Climate Change

2nd Work programme (2006-2008)

Context and priorities

- Contribution to and promotion of growth, jobs and the modernisation of the EU social model
- Reinforcement of social partners autonomy
- Focus on Europe's major economic and social challenges
- Development of a common understanding of the social dialogue instruments and analysis of their impact at the various levels of social dialogue (Action point 8)
- Joint analysis on key challenges facing Europe's labour market

2nd Work programme (2006-2008)

Main achievements

Joint analysis on the key challenges of Europe's labour markets

- Adopted in October 2007
- Contribution of SPs to the flexicurity debate at EU level
- Joint recommendations of SPs to public authorities at EU and national levels

Negotiation of a framework agreement on inclusive labour markets

Negotiations started in October 2008

Ongoing implementation of European social dialogue tools

- Framework agreement on work related stress
- Framework agreement on harassment and violence
- Framework of actions on gender equality
- Integrated programme of technical assistance

3rd Work programme (2009-2010)

Principles

- The context of the work programme: the financial and economic crisis + the social agenda
- 2 years Post Lisbon agenda
- «Quality and not quantity »

Activities

- Follow-up previous work programmes
- New activities

3rd Work programme (2009-2010)

Activities based on previous work programmes

- Integrated programme 2009-2011
- Action point 8 »
- Implementation of instruments
- Negotiations (FofA employment, FA parental leave, FA Inclusive labour markets)

3rd Work programme (2009-2010)

New activities

- Contribution to the definition of the Post Lisbon agenda
- Joint approach on climate change
- Monitoring of the implementation of the joint principles on flexicurity
- Mobility and migration

Integrated programme 2009-2011

I	Joint study "The employment impact of climate change policies"	
II	Joint study "The implementation of flexicurity and the role of social partners"	
III	Resource Centres - Activities managed jointly:	
	"Tools to support EU Social Dialogue development" a) EU SD Seminar and "ad-hoc" EU Social Dialogue meetings b) EU SPs joint Training and Mentoring programme c) Translation Fund – 23 languages	
	Resource Centres - Activities separately managed:	
	Managed by BUSINESSEUROPE on behalf of all employers	Managed by ETUC
	d) Employers' Resource Centre Website <u>www.erc-online.eu</u>	d) Trade unions' Resource Centre Website <u>http://resourcecentre.etuc.org</u>
	e) Mentoring Programme for employer representatives	e) Mentoring Programme for trade union representatives
	f) On-demand Seminars on European social dialogue for EU 27 +2	f) Twinning seminars on European social dialogue for EU 27 + 2
		g) Advanced EU SD training to trade union representatives EU27

ETUC project

State of play and perspectives of EU SD

- Context : ETUC executive committee
- <u>2 steps</u>: a survey + a conference
- The conference : 2 days in Brussels (25/26-01/2010)
- Preparation of ETUC Congress

