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Dear Colleagues

I am writing to send EPSU's support for the upcoming mobilisations and strikes organised by CGIL and UIL for the 17 and 20 November and 1 December and particularly for the strike by public service and transport workers on the 17th. It is crucial that the voices of workers are heard and that pressure is put on the Italian government to take on board the views of the trade unions in relation to economic and social policy. It is unacceptable that the government is pushing ahead with its Budget Law without any social dialogue.

EPSU fully supports your calls for urgent action on wages, collective agreements, precariousness and industrial policies, workplace safety, taxation, social security and pension revaluation, education and healthcare. These are issues that are important for all of our affiliates, with many featuring again in the European mobilisation planned for Brussels on 13 December.

We very much hope that the strikes and protests are strongly supported.

In solidarity

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