In spite of the current strong emphasis in all European countries on means to tackle youth unemployment, the participation of older individuals in the labour market remains a significant policy challenge. The OSE and the Fondazione Brodoloni (IT) are involved in a European Commission-funded project on ‘Policies for an Aged Workforce in the EU’ (PAWEU). The goal of the research is to analyse the situation of the ageing population in the EU, notably regarding their employability and workability patterns, as well as the reforms undertaken in social protection systems and labour market policies.

The workshop will be an opportunity for scholars and EU stakeholders to discuss policies and practices allowing older persons to stay longer in employment or re-join the labour force if they have left it. The workshop is by invitation only (places are strictly limited). Please express your interest to participate to smoes@ose.be

**9.00 REGISTRATION AND COFFEE**

**9.30**  
Bart Vanhercke – European Social Observatory – OSE  
Antonio De Luca - Istituto Nazionale della Previdenza Sociale -INPS  
*Welcome and presentation of the workshop*

**9.35 SESSION 1: POLICIES AND REFORMS FOR AGEING WORKERS**

Chair: Alberto Merolla – Fondazione Brodoloni

**9.45**  
Asghar Zaidi – International Social Policy University of Southampton and London School of Economics  
*Trends in the Active Ageing Index in the EU Member States*

**10.05**  
Dalila Ghailani – European Social Observatory – OSE  
*Policies and Social Protection Reforms in the EU*

**10.25**  
Michele Raitano – University of Roma La Sapienza  
*The Heterogeneity of Older Workers Employability*

**10.45**  
Greet Vermeylen – European Foundation for the Improvement of Working and Living Conditions  
*Sustainable Work for an Ageing Workforce*

**11.05 Plenary discussion**, introduced by the chair
11.20 COFFEE BREAK

11.35 SESSION 2: STAKEHOLDER ROUNDTABLE

Chair: Ramón Peña-Casas – European Social Observatory – OSE

Marina Monaco – European Trade Union Confederation - ETUC
Rebekah Smith – BusinessEurope
Philippe Seidel Leroy – AGE platform
Laure Batut – Workers’ Group, European Economic and Social Committee
Ettore Marchetti – DG EMPL, European Commission

12.30 Plenary discussion, introduced by the chair

13.00 LIGHT WALKING LUNCH

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