



National Trade Union involvement in the European Semester

Kick-off Meeting
Brussels, 16th February 2018

Programme

Venue: Hotel Bloom! – Room 2 – rue Royale 250 – 1210 Brussels (metro station: Botanique)

8.00 – 8.30am Registration and coffee

8.30 – 9.00 **Introduction and welcome**
Kristian Bongelli, European Trade Union Confederation – ETUC, *Evi Roelen* – DG EMPL, European Commission (project officer) and *Bart Vanhercke*, European Social Observatory – OSE

Round Table: 'Who is Who'

9.00 – 9.20 **The INVOTUNES project: substance and goals**
Bart Vanhercke – OSE (project director)

9.20 – 9.40 Initial plenary discussion

9.40 – 10.10 Refreshment break

10.10 – 10.40 **Analytical and methodological framework**
Sebastiano Sabato – OSE (scientific coordinator)

10.40 – 12.00 Plenary discussion
Introduced by *Ramón Peña-Casas* – OSE and the WP Leaders

12.00 – 12.20 **Project management**, Basecamp and administrative/financial issues
Bart Vanhercke and *Françoise Verri* (financial manager) – OSE

12.20 – 12.30 Plenary discussion

12.30 – 1.30 Lunch

- 1.30 – 2.00** **Introducing the horizontal Work packages**
- **WP 3.** *The interplay between national social dialogue and the European Semester*
Emmanuele Pavolini – Università degli Studi di Macerata (WP leader)
 - **WP 4.** *Trade union strategies for European Semester involvement*
Bart Vanhercke – OSE
 - **WP 5.** *The involvement of national trade unions in the European Semester: mechanisms, outputs and outcomes*
Vassil Kirov, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences – ISSK-BAS (WP leader)
- 2.00 – 3.00** Plenary discussion on the horizontal Work Packages introduced by **Tom Bevers** – Steering Committee member and **Slavina Spasova** – OSE
- 3.00 – 3.10** Short break
- 3.10 – 3.20** **Case studies: initial guidance**
Sebastiano Sabato – OSE
- 3.20 – 3.40** **Dissemination strategy and National Workshops**
Jenny Jansson, Uppsala University (SE), **Pedro Perista**, Centre for Studies for Social Intervention – CESIS (PT) and **Lyuben Tomev**, Institute for Social and Trade Union Research – ISTUR (BG)
- 3.40 – 4.30** Discussion introduced by **Fruzsina Albert**, **Dalila Ghailani** and **Birgit Kraemer**
- 4.30** End of the Kick-off meeting
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