

Invitation to an ETUI Education course

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To all organisations affiliated to the ETUC

Dear Colleagues,

ETUI in collaboration with **ACTRAV-ILO** will organise a course on **“Social Justice for fair globalisation”** which will be held from 11 to 14 October, in Turin, Italy.

Aims

The long-term objective of the course is to support trade union organisations and strengthen their capacity to develop and implement policies on social security.

Upon completion of the course, participants will be able to:

- Comprehend different aspects of social security,
- Evaluate existing trade union policies on social security;
- Identify the main topics, best practice examples and challenges of trade union policy in social security;
- Integrate gender dimension into trade union policy on social security;
- Use relevant ILO instruments and adopt rights-based approach in designing trade union policy on social security,
- Increase trade union cooperation among participating countries on issues related to social security,
- Design new trade union policy on social security and/or adapt existing policy in the light of newly acquired knowledge and skills.

Country Report

Participants will be required to prepare beforehand and bring with them to the Turin Centre a document concerning the national situation regarding pensions and social security systems. This sheet (AS 0) will be sent with the confirmation of participation and will deal with:

- National trends and context in terms of political, economic, social and labour situations, with particular emphasis on the impact of globalisation on pensions and social security systems;
- Trade unions plans, alternatives, actions and strategies recommended to deal with health systems and pensions immediately and in the long run for promoting, decent work and jobs creation;
- Impact of the crisis on jobs, working conditions, health systems and pensions, and workers' rights in your country and of the policy response implemented by their Trade union organisation;
- Trade union training programmes in the field of international economy and health systems and pensions.

Working languages

English, French.

Programme

The enclosed draft programme will give you an overview of the course contents.

Venue

ITC-ILO centre
Viale Maestri del Lavoro, 10
10127 Turin - Italy

Participants

Trade Union officers in charge of social security and/or social policy at the level of **national trade union confederation**

Arrival and departure

Participants are expected to arrive on 10 October 2011 and to leave on 14 October 2011 (after lunch).

How are enrolments processed?

A maximum of 16 participants can be accepted.
The final confirmation of the participants will be done by the team of trainers bearing in mind the requirements for the target group.
We ask you to bear in mind the recommendations of the ETUC Action Plan for women which call for the proportional representation of women in trade union activities.

Participants' registration

Please fill in a copy of the enclosed form for each participant and return it to the ETUI Education Secretariat (Sylviane Mathy, smathy@etui.org) **no later than 9 September 2011**.

Payment of registration

A direct monetary contribution (enrolment fees) to ETUI Education activity is required per organisation, per working day. For four working days seminar a fee of 240€ is applied to EU organisations per participant and 60€ for Central and Eastern European Countries organisations per participant.

(CEEC= Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Republic of Macedonia.)

An invoice will be sent to the organisation upon confirmation of the enrolment. We kindly ask you to pay this invoice before the start of the course.

Please note that in case of cancellation of participation 5 working days before the beginning of the course, no refund shall be granted (the total amount of respectively 240€ or 60€ will be invoiced).

It is **essential** that you mention in your payment order the number of the invoice and customer reference number.

Reimbursement of travel and accommodation costs

Travel and accommodation costs will be covered by ETUI Education, only for participants coming from member states of the European Union and Croatia, the FYROM and Turkey. Travel costs will be reimbursed on the basis of the most economic fare available (economy/APEX/PEX air fares) in accordance with European Commission regulations. **Taxis will not be reimbursed.**

Additional information

Should you need any additional information please do not hesitate to contact the ETUI Education Secretariat, Sylviane Mathy, tel. : +32 2 224 0593, e-mail: smathy@etui.org

Yours sincerely,

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Enclosed: Registration form
Programme
Introduction Note