

Strategic Dialogue on the Changing World of Work | 21st June 2017

Building a competitive and futureproof labour market

How can EU policies really impact the life of citizens and shape the future of work we want for all?

Thon EU Hotel, Rue de la Loi 75, Brussels

The World Employment Confederation-Europe Strategic Dialogue “Building a competitive and futureproof labour market” aims to address and discuss main trends and challenges in the labour markets in Europe, linked to labour law, working conditions and new forms of social protection in a labour market.

Key findings and recommendations of the [White Paper on the Future of Work](#), published recently by the World Employment Confederation-Europe, will be presented and discussed during the strategic dialogue meeting.

Programme

12:30 – 13:30	Arrival of participants and networking lunch
13:30 – 13:40	Welcome by Annemarie Muntz, President of the World Employment Confederation-Europe
13:40 – 14:00	Current trends and main challenges linked to the changing world of work in Europe Denis Pennel, World Employment Confederation-Europe Managing Director
14:00 – 14:20	Keynote speech “Building a competitive and futureproof labour market” – Current priorities of the European Commission Marianne Thyssen, EU Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs, Skills and Mobility

14:20 – 15:00	<p>How labour law needs to adapt to reflect the new diversity of the workplace and the multitude of working conditions?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adam Pokorny, Head of Unit Working Conditions at DG Employment • Heinz Becker (MEP/EPP/AT), Member of the European Parliament's Committee for Employment and Social Affairs • Maxime Cerutti, Director Social Affairs at BusinessEurope • Denis Maessen, President of the European Forum of Independent Professionals (EFIP)
15:00 – 15:30	Coffee Break
15:30 – 15:45	How to design skills policies to secure access to the right talents and job opportunities? – Presentation by Steve Bainbridge, CEDEFOP.
15:45 – 16:00	Question and answer session with the audience, moderated by Cathy Smith
16:00 – 16:45	<p>How can we secure continuity of access to social rights for workers regardless of their work relationship(s) and status?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ana Carla Pereira, Head of Unit Modernisation of Social Security Systems at DG Employment • Oliver Roethig, Regional Secretary UNI Europa • Claude Emanuel Triomphe, Astrees
16:45 – 17:00	Closing remarks by Bettina Schaller, Vice-President of the World Employment Confederation-Europe
17:00 – 18:00	Networking cocktail & reception