

ETUC annual EWC Conference

15-16 October, 2012

International Trade Union House, Brussels - Auditorium

After the Recast –first lessons and future potential

Programme

Monday 15th October 2012

13:30 Registration of participants, welcome coffee

14:00 Welcome: *Claudia Menne, Confederal Secretary ETUC*

14:15 Opening of the conference: Luc Triangle, Deputy General Secretary IndustriAll European Trade Union

14:30 **Improved EWC rights in practice: (I)**

- EWC rights: national transposition laws and new EWC agreements
Romuald Jagodzinski, ETUI researcher
Discussion – evidence from the shopfloor; examples
- Tools and means for EWCs: access to training and expert support
Concha de Sena, Bruno Demaitre, ETUI
Discussion – evidence from the shopfloor; examples
- First experience with the new EWC Directive in practice: Impact on EWC negotiations and EWC practice
Aline Hoffmann, ETUI
Discussion – evidence from the shopfloor; examples

16.45 **First lessons and future potential**

Oliver Röthig, General Secretary, UNI Europa

17:00 End of the first day

Tuesday 16th October 2012

8:30 Registration of participants

09:00 **Improved EWC rights in practice (II)**

- EWC rights in practice: trade union strategies for the concrete implementation of information and consultation rights

*Isabelle Barthès, IndustriAll – Simon
Cox, EFFAT – Cristina Tilling, ETF*

Discussion – evidence from the shopfloor

- The articulation of I&C within multinational companies against experience and case law

Maitre Rachid Brihi, Solicitor at the Paris Bar

Discussion – evidence from the shopfloor (examples);

10:45 Coffee break

11:15 EWCs and restructuring: in view of anticipation and management of change: -
Moderator: Patricia Grillo, ETUC

Round table: What new rights for workers?

- *Muriel Guin, Head of Unit DG EMPL-B2/Labour Law*

- *Judith Kirton-Darling, ETUC Confederal Secretary*

- *Alejandro Cercas, MEP (S&D)*

- *Member of a European Works Council*

12:30 Buffet lunch

14:00 EWCs and European Framework Agreements as European trade union tools at
multinational company level

Luca Visentini, Confederal Secretary, ETUC

14:30 **First lessons and future potential**

Sam Hagglund, General Secretary, EFBWW

14:45 Conclusions : *Claudia Menne, Confederal Secretary ETUC*

15:00 End of the conference

