Time for quality jobs – Learning Point

15-16 March, Gdansk Poland

Seminar

NSZZ Solidarność, the host of one of the **three learning points** of the European project **Time for quality jobs**. invites you to participate in a 2-day offline seminar, which will be held on **15-16. March 2023 in Gdansk, Poland**, at the historic H&S Hall. During the event, participants will summarize best practices focusing on central and eastern European region.

The seminar will be attended by local and international participants and will include interactive sessions with policy makers, representatives of EU institutions, as well as young stakeholders from civil society.

Registration

Participants must register via this link before 20th February 2023. Only selected participants that receive confirmation from the secretariat will be entitled to reimbursement. The selection will consider gender and geographical balance.

EU Project

The COVID-19 crisis has revealed, once again, the vulnerability of young people around the world, , who were among the first to lose their jobs after the pandemic broke out. This is reminiscent of the situation after the 2008 financial crisis.

How did we end up in the same situation again? How can we prevent it from happening again? And how do we effectively solve the problem of youth unemployment, not for good-looking statistics, but to effectively ensure the well-being of the next generation of Europeans? In doing so, the focus should be on the need for quality jobs and avoiding the uncertainty that has dire consequences for the younger generation

Target Group

Young Trade Unionist and Trade Union officers working on youth rights and youth employment from the following countries are invited to attend the first learning point: **Bulgaria, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Czechia, Slovakia.**

Logistics and reimbursement

Participants are expected to arrive on 15th March in the morning and depart after the seminar ends on 16th March.

Reimbursement info

Accommodation and travel costs will be covered by the ETUC in the context of this project for representatives of the 27 member states + candidate countries. Unless communicated in the invitation, representatives from Lichtenstein, Switzerland and Norway are welcome to attend but at their own cost.

The ETUC can reimburse travel and accommodation costs after the event, upon receipt of the reimbursement form (which will be distributed at the event) and the supporting documents. **Participants should book economy fares and hotel accommodation cannot exceed 103 EUR per night (excluding breakfast).** Only **one hotel night** can be reimbursed.

Should you book a room and fail to turn up, this "NO SHOW" cost will be invoiced to your organisation.

All extras and personal expenses are payable by participants and will not be covered by the ETUC.

Please be informed that new rules will apply on the reimbursement of local transport and meals. From now on, the ETUC will reimburse participants on the basis of a fixed "per diem" / Daily subsistence allowances (DSA), within the limits foreseen in the financial guidelines of the European Commission. Thus, only the original travel tickets (air/train), boarding cards and the hotel invoice will be claimed by the ETUC along with the reimbursement form.

Travel costs

Please make your own reservation. The following measures are essential in order to qualify for reimbursement by the European Commission in the context of co-funded activities.

Economy class fares must be booked for flight costs to be eligible. To avoid flight costs which are too high, participants are kindly requested to buy their tickets as soon as possible in order to benefit from the best price possible. The purchase should be made within a reasonable time following the announcement of the event. If this is not the case, the ETUC will only reimburse the average cost of economy class flights (insofar as the transport budgets of activities financed by the European Commission are concerned). Business or first-class plane tickets will be refunded on the same basis.

If a fare costs more than €450 please contact Niklas Franke by email (nfranke@etuc.org**) before booking your ticket.**

Journeys must be carried out by the most direct and economic route.

- Rail/land travel must be used for distances under 400 km return journey.
- Air travel is acceptable only for distances above 400 km return journey. Economy class fares will be used as the benchmark for analysing air travel costs.
- Travel expenses by car will be refunded on the basis of a 1st class train fare. If the route is not served by a train, the cost of travel by private car shall be reimbursed at the rate of 0.22 EUR/km. **Travel by car is reimbursed only where train is not possible. Please contact** nfranke@etuc.org **before deciding to travel by car.**

Travel costs will be reimbursed to the participant's bank account after the event.

The documents supplied must show the order date, the class of travel used, the outward and return journeys, the time of travel and the amount paid.

In order to be refunded, the participant has to send **the original of the following supporting documents by post** (*)

The reimbursement form signed with:

- For train travel: the outward and return journey train tickets;
- For air travel: all boarding passes (outward and return journeys for each part of the trip);
- With electronic boarding passes, a print screen of the boarding passes is required;
- For car travel, please indicate:
- the towns of departure and arrival and the price of a 1st class train rate (information obtained via Internet or by your travel agency);
- the license plate of the car used

Please note that taxis, parking costs, fuel, toll, telephone costs, minibar, extra nights, food, double room supplement are not reimbursed.

(*) Without these documents, the ETUC will not be able to reimburse your travel costs.

Info & contacts

For any information please do not hesitate to contact NIklas Franke, ETUC Project Officer at nfranke@etuc.org.