



European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC)
Confédération européenne des syndicats (CES)

IRTUC COORDINATION COMMITTEE

Brussels, 30 March 2010

REPORT

1. EUROPEAN GROUPING OF TERRITORIAL COOPERATION (EGTC)

- a) Presentation of the state of play by Krzysztof Nowaczek, Director, Committee of the Regions.

See attached Power Point presentation.

See also the Committee of the Region's thematic website:

<http://www.cor.europa.eu/egtc>

- b) Exchange of views, with the participation of Alfonso Alcolea Martine, Committee of the Regions

At the conclusion of the discussion, it was agreed to maintain/establish contact with the Committee of the Regions with a view to developing cooperation in the field of European Groupings of Territorial Cooperation. For more on this subject, see on the above-mentioned website the report drafted by the group of experts who make up the Committee of the Regions' "EGTC Network".

It was also agreed to discuss in detail the results of the questionnaire, to which nine IRTUCs responded, at the following meeting of the Coordination Committee.

2. INTERNAL ORGANISATION

Participants were briefed on

- a) the ETUC campaign

<http://www.etuc.org/a/7323>

- b) the 12th ETUC Congress (Athens, 16-19 May 2011)

- c) the progress of the "Workplace, Europe" project

The final conference will be held in Brussels on 27 and 28 September 2010. The IRTUC representatives are invited to participate.

<http://www.etuc.org/a/7387>

- d) European Network on Regional Labour Market Monitoring

<http://www.regionallabourmarketmonitoring.net>

Presentation of the aims of this European network by Christa Larsen, Coordinator. Following this initial contact, it was agreed that the IRTUC representatives would be invited to the first European Conference of Regional Labour Market Observatories, to be held in Marseilles on 6 and 7 October 2010.

3. IRTUC WORK PROGRAMMES

- a) Presentation of the reports by IRTUC representatives in the Executive Committee and of the ETUC committees and working groups.

It was agreed that, in the future, the IRTUC representatives would turn in a succinct written report, which the Secretariat will then transmit to all the IRTUCs.

- b) Further action on the project, "IRTUC – Coordination of collective bargaining – Cross-border cooperation"

It was agreed that the ETUC Secretariat would present a proposal for a second project to the Commission with a view to continuing this activity, on the basis of the conclusions adopted at the final conference.

A number of IRTUCs expressed an interest in participating. The ETUC Secretariat will send out a circular on this to all the IRTUCs.

4. EURES

- a) Revision of the EURES Charter – Presentation of the state of play

It was noted that the ETUC's principal amendments had been accepted in the framework of the consultation launched within the EURES network.

However, as part of the consultation carried out by the Advisory Committee on Freedom of Movement for Workers, the ETUC Secretariat has tabled again the amendment on the permanence of the EURES cross-border partnerships.

- b) Draft resolution tabled by the IRTUC Coordination Committee on the role of trade unions in matters of workers' mobility in Europe

Following a presentation and discussion of the draft text, it was agreed to transmit the amended text, attached hereto, to the IRTUC presidents for approval.

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Please note that the next meeting of the IRTUC Coordination Committee will be held in Brussels, on 9 November 2010.

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