Strike in strong defence of Spanish public education system

“The Plataforma Estatal por la Escuela Pública”, an alliance of organisations aiming for the protection of the public education system in Spain, has called for a strike at the public universities on 24 March 2015. Among the demonstrating people who will follow this call and lay down their work, are also the members of ETUCE’s Spanish affiliates, F.E.CC.OO and FETE/UGT.

Spring Meeting of the ETUCE Committee, Brussels

The members of the ETUCE Committee convened on 18 to 19 March 2015, situated between the ETUCE mid-term conference and in the run-up to the EI World Congress. Welcoming the new Committee members Lies Van Rompaey, COC Belgium and Claudio Franchi, CGIL, Italy, ETUCE President, Christine Blower, greeted also the new members from Central Asia Maira Amantayeva, Kazakhstan, Nozakova Zulkhiya Zagirdavlatovna, Tajikistan and Asylbek Toktogulov, Kyrgyzstan.

ETUCE’s Standing Committee for Equality: “Social Dialogue and Equal Opportunities”

Delegates from ETUCE member organisations meet every year, to discuss important equal opportunity issues. At this year's Standing Committee meeting, the topic "Social Dialogue and Equal Opportunities" was discussed extensively. Speakers at the event were Yamile Socolovsky, from the Latin American Women's Network, who presented their work on increasing women's participation in trade unions and on supporting women's rights.

European Commission makes further concessions to the social partners at Tripartite Social Summit

"Investing in growth and creating jobs: stepping up the contribution of the social partners" was the promising theme of the tripartite social summit which took place in the morning of 19 March 2015 just before the start of the European Council spring meeting 2015. It was the first Tripartite Social Summit within the mandate of the Juncker-Commission.

School Leadership Toolkit

ETUCE is member of the European Policy Network of School Leadership (EPNoSL), which has recently published its Toolkit on School Leadership. The "School Leadership Toolkit for equity and learning" was designed to provide policy makers, school authorities, schools, researchers and teacher training institutes with the tools to reflect upon, identify challenges and prioritize areas for policy action to support and enhance school leadership for equity and learning.

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