Turkey: EI/ETUCE Mission to Ankara 27-28 February 2017

Expressing their continued solidarity with their Turkish colleagues, EI/ETUCE has organised a second mission to Ankara, Turkey. Today and tomorrow, representatives from 11 member organisations from Cyprus, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, the Netherlands, and the United Kingdom are on site. They wish to obtain a first-hand impression of the current situation, as well as an overview of the scope and impact that the application of the emergency decree has on education personnel and citizens in Turkey. Most of all, the aim is to strengthen and reconfirm education trade unions’ solidarity with the Turkish education community. >>>

New ETUCE project kick-off: teachers’ professional needs in social dialogue

On 22 February 2017, ETUCE held the first Advisory Group meeting in the new project “Education Trade Unions for the Teaching Profession. Strengthening the capacity of education trade unions to represent teachers’ professional needs in social dialogue.” The project seeks to build the capacity of education trade unions to represent teachers’ professional needs and to enhance teachers’ professional issues as a crucial matter of social dialogue in the education sector. It is designed for two years (2017-2018) and co-funded by the European Commission. >>>

European Sectoral Social Partners in Education kick off new social dialogue capacity building project

On 14 February, ETUCE hosted the kick off Advisory Group meeting of new project “European Sectoral Social Partners in Education striving for sustainable influence on European education policy building through successful social dialogue”. This project is co-funded by the European Commission, Directorate General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion and it is carried out by both ETUCE and the European Federation of Education Employers (EFEE), who will work in partnership - as European Sectoral Social Partners in Education - in this project for the next two years. >>>

Germany: Successful negotiations led to a new wage agreement

On 17 February 2017, Federal states’ education personnel and other public services employees reached a new wage agreement. The agreement followed the series of warning strikes in the public sector called in the previous three weeks around the country and supported, among others, by ETUCE member organisations in Germany, GEW and VBE. >>>

ETUC launches Pay Rise Campaign

On 14-15 February 2017, the European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC) has kicked off the Pay Rise Campaign by a Conference titled: ‘Time for Our Recovery – Europe needs a pay rise’. The Conference takes place in Brussels and gathers social partners and decision-makers from all around Europe. The two-day event is organised around four thematic panels, with interventions from numerous speakers involved in Labour, Employment and Social Issues at both the European and national levels. >>>

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