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ETUCE holds joint high-level conference on copyright in higher education and research

On 11 April 2018, ETUCE held a joint high-level conference entitled “A better copyright for quality higher education and research in Europe and beyond”. EI/ETUCE held the conference in partnership with the European Federation of Education Employers (EFEE) and COMMUNIA (a network of Intellectual Property lawyers and advocates). The European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO) financially supported the event. [>>>](#)



ETUCE training seminar on use of ICT for inclusive education

On 25 – 27 April 2018, ETUCE held training seminar in Lisbon titled “Education trade unions promoting the use of ICT for inclusive education”. More than thirty participants from education trade unions from across Europe attended the seminar. Opening the first session of the seminar, ETUCE European Director Susan Flocken stated “New technologies offer huge opportunities and potential for education. We must also be aware of the challenges they create, such as cyberbullying, data protection and potential commercialisation and marketisation of education. We as education trade unions need to discuss this and support how ICT can be used for inclusive education.” [>>>](#)



Teachers' Professional Needs in Social Dialogue: ETUCE regional seminar in Rome

Teacher training should be sufficiently addressed in social dialogue and collective agreements and lead to the increase of the status of teaching profession in the society. These are the conclusions of the third regional seminar of the ETUCE project “Education Trade Unions for the Teaching Profession - Strengthening the capacity of education trade unions to represent teachers’ professional needs in social dialogue” which took place in Rome, Italy, on 26-27 April 2018. [>>>](#)

European and Finnish social partners discuss challenges of integration and prevention of radicalisation of young students

On 24 of April 2018, the sixth round table meeting of the European Sectoral Social Dialogue in Education (ESSDE) Capacity building project III took place in Helsinki. During this meeting, representatives from ETUCE



member organisation partner to this project OAJ, Opetusalan Ammattijärjestö and representatives of Finnish education employer organisations members of the European Federation of Education Employers (EFEE), such as the Association of Finnish Independent Education Employers (AFIEE) met around a table together with representatives from the Ministry of Economic affairs and Employment of Finland, the Helsinki City Council, the Helsinki Police Department, the Finnish National Agency for Education, Omnia and Eira High school for adults to discuss how to strengthen the links between the ESSDE and the national social dialogue. >>>



UCU wins concessions in pensions deal

The University and College Union (UCU), one of the ETUCE member organisations in the United Kingdom, has won major concessions after a series of strikes to protect the guaranteed pension benefits of the Universities Superannuation Scheme (USS). During the strikes, the UCU has been in negotiations with Universities UK (the education employers for universities) and the following are some of the points achieved : >>>



Solidarity with public sector in Denmark

Should consensus over a new collective agreement not be reached, trade unions in the public sector in Denmark are preparing to take strike action. It is expected that employers will respond by instituting a "lockout" of all workers. ETUCE emphasises that to threaten to lockout 90% of state employees and 50 % of municipal employees is very aggressive and represents a complete overreaction to the notice of a limited strike of only 10% of public workers. >>>

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