

Draft Congress Agenda

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FOR ALL

10TH EPSU CONGRESS 2019

4-7 JUNE 2019, DUBLIN

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Fighting for a Future for All: Future of public services, work in public services and public service unions

Draft Agenda (version 24 May – subject to further changes)

MONDAY 3 JUNE

17:00 - 18:30 Meeting of the Standing Orders Committee (SOC)
18:30 - 20:00 Main registration and welcome drink

TUESDAY 4 JUNE

08:00 - 09:00 Registration for late arrivals
08:30 - 09:45 EPSU Executive Committee

10:30 - 12:00 OPENING SESSION

10:30 Opening ceremony and welcome speeches

- **Isolde Kunkel-Weber** EPSU President
- **Kevin Callinan** Forsa on behalf of Irish affiliates
- **Nial Ring**, Lord Mayor of Dublin

11:00 Keynote speech by **Michael D. Higgins**, President of Ireland

11:30 Keynote speech by **Luca Visentini** ETUC General Secretary

12:00 - 13:30 LUNCH
Meeting of the Credentials Committee

13:30 - 17:30 AFTERNOON SESSION

13:30 **Constitution of Congress**
Ratification of the members of the Congress Board
Ratification of the members of the

- Credentials Committee
- Standing Orders Committee (SOC)
- Tellers

Presentation and adoption of the reports from the

- Credentials Committee
- Standing Orders Committee (SOC)

Obituaries
Adoption of Congress Agenda

13:45 **Activity and Finance reports**

- Presentation by **Jan Willem Goudriaan** EPSU General Secretary
 - Debate, vote and adoption of Activity and Finance reports
- 14:30 Resolution IV '**Fighting for European public services workers means fighting for the future of work and the future of public services unions,**' Nordic Constituency and EPSU Youth Network
Presentation of resolution, debate and adoption of resolution
- 15:15 **EPSU Programme of Action: Fighting for a Future for All**
Section X Introduction
Introduction by **Dave Prentis** EPSU vice President
Debate on section and related amendments
- 16:00 Panel debate '**Mobilising, bargaining, and campaigning for change: why and how we make the difference**' chaired by **Sian Jones** European Anti-Poverty Network (EAPN)
- **Clivia Conrad** Ver.di on the Right2Water
 - **Albert Papadacci** Korian/CGT France on improving employment conditions in healthcare companies
 - **Britta Lejon** NEA Chair on the Agreement on information and consultation rights for central government workers
 - **Carl Leinonen** Services Employees International Union (SEIU) US on the campaign against tax and social dumping by McDonald's
 - **Serena Sorrentino**, General Secretary FP-CGIL Italy, on EUCARE Network Q&A session
- 17:30 Close of day
Reception

WEDNESDAY 5 JUNE

09:00 - 12:30 MORNING SESSION

- 09:00 **EPSU Programme of Action: Fighting for a Future for All**
Section X Introduction (continued)
Debate on Section and related amendments
- (Emergency) Resolution from the Executive Committee on Peace, democracy and human rights (*to follow*)
Presentation by Tobias Baudin, Kommunal Sweden
Debate
- Resolution X For an Independent Palestine state that provides quality public services to its Citizens** Hizmet-Is, Turkey
Presentation and debate
- Vote, adoption of Introduction to Programme of Action and votes on Resolution on Peace and resolution X

10:30 **Panel debate on 'Privatisation, Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs), and private finance: Winning the battle for quality public services'** chaired by **Philippe Pochet**, European Trade Union Institute (ETUI)

- Short contribution by video from **Philip Alston** UN Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights
 - **Cat Hobbs** 'We Own It' UK
 - **Bjørn Pettersen** Fagforbundet Norway
 - **Myriam Planas**, Enginyeria Sense Fronteres (ISF), Spain
- Q&A session

12:00 Speech by **Rosa Pavanelli** PSI General Secretary

12:30 - 14:00 LUNCH

14:00 - 17:30 AFTERNOON SESSION

14:00 **EPSU Programme of Action: Fighting for a Future for All**

Section A: Future of Public Services

Introduction by **Mikael Kuzmenko** EPSU vice President

Section A.1 - A.16

Introduction by **Maryvonne Nicolle** Standing Committee on Health and Social Services (HSS) President

A.2 Fighting for stronger public finances and tax justice

A.5 Arguing for an alternative economic policy

A.8 Getting more and better public services for all

A.11 Defending democracy and the rule of law and fighting corruption

A.14 Resisting privatisation and liberalisation to defend quality public services

Debate on section and amendments

Resolution VI The European Union and Economic and Social Policies STAL

Presentation and debate on resolution

Resolution II on Healthcare and Social Care, French affiliates

Presentation, debate on resolution

Section A.17 - A.28

Introduction by **Matthew Lay** Standing Committee on Utilities (UT) President

A.17 Getting the best from the digital transformation of public services

A.20 Demanding fair trade and investment agreements

A.23 Tackling climate change and environmental damage

A.26 Improving services for migrants and refugees

Debate on section and amendments

Resolution I on Energy, French affiliates

Presentation and debate on resolution

Resolution VIII Solidarity with Immigrants and Refugees Hizmet-Is, Turkey

Presentation and debate on resolution

Votes, adoption of Section A of the Programme of Action and resolutions VI, II, I, and VIII

17:30 Close of day

THURSDAY 6 JUNE

09:00 - 12:30 MORNING SESSION

09:00 **EPSU Programme of Action: Fighting for a Future for All**

Section B: Future of Work in Public Services

Introduction by **Francoise Geng** EPSU vice President

Section B.1 – B.15

Introduction by **Britta Lejon** Standing Committee on National and European Administration (NEA) President

B.4 Defending fundamental rights at work

B.7 Strengthening collective bargaining and improving pay and conditions

B.10 Promoting and extending the European social dialogue

B.13 Defending workers against privatisation and outsourcing

Debate on section and amendments

Resolution VII Increasing wages, promoting collective bargaining! STAL

Presentation and debate on resolution

Section B.16 – B.21

Introduction by **Mads Samsing** Standing Committee on Local and Regional Government (LRG) President

B.16 Ensuring that workers benefit from digitalisation

B.19 Getting more and better jobs from tackling climate change

Debate on section and amendments

Emergency resolution(s)

Votes, adoption of Section B of the Programme of Action section B.1 – 21, Resolution VII, emergency resolution(s)

Elections - Presentation of candidates for elected offices (EPSU President, EPSU General Secretary, EPSU Member Auditors)

Farewell to outgoing EPSU President

12:30 - 14:00 LUNCH

Elections - Voting for candidates for elected offices

14:00 - 17:30 AFTERNOON SESSION

Contribution from **Paschal Donohoe**, Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform, Finance Ireland

Elections – results of elections

EPSU Programme of Action: Fighting for a Future for All
Section B: Future of Work in Public Services (continued)

Section B.22 – B.27 Gender equality, discrimination,
Introduction by **Gloria Mills** WGECC President

B.22 Delivering gender equality at work

B.25 Fighting discrimination in the workplace

Debate on section and amendments

Resolution III Women and Gender Equality, FNV, Netherlands
Presentation and debate on resolution

Resolution V Gender Equality at Work, Nordic Constituency
Presentation and debate on resolution

Resolution IX Combatting increasing racism in Europe, Hizmet-Is, Turkey
Presentation and debate on resolution

Votes, Adoption of Section B of the Programme of Action, resolutions III, V and IX

15:00 Panel debate '**Collective bargaining: what ambition for the future at EU and national levels ?**' introduced and chaired by **Esther Lynch**, ETUC

- **Sylvia Bühler** Ver.di, Germany
- **Francisco Braz**, STAL, Portugal
- **Mona Striib** FOA Denmark (replacement to be confirmed)
- **Ivan Kokalov**, President, FTU-HS, Bulgaria
- **Miriam Pinillos**, CC.OO Spain

Q&A session

16:30 **Amendments to the EPSU Constitution**

Presentation of amendments from the Executive Committee
Debate on amendments

Presentation of amendments from French affiliates
Debate on amendments

Resolution “EPSU Finances”

Presentation of resolution Juris Kalnins LAKRS, Latvia

Debate on resolution

Votes, adoption of Constitutional amendments and Finance resolution

17:30 Close of day

Evening reception / event

FRIDAY 7 JUNE

09:00 -12:30 MORNING SESSION

EPSU Programme of Action: Fighting for a Future for All:

Section C: Future of Public Service Unions

Introduction by **Mette Nord** EPSU President designate

C.4 Boosting recruitment and organising

C.7 Improving the representation of women and young workers

C.10 Building a stronger EPSU

Debate on section and amendments

Vote, adoption of Section C of the Programme of Action

10:30 Closing panel debate '**Recruitment and organizing: no future of work without the trade union!**' chaired by **Anton Leppik**, Pan European Regional Council (PERC)

- **Fiona Dunne**, ICTU Ireland
- **Viktória Szűcs**, BDDSZ, Hungary
- **Igor Zubco**, Sanatatea, Moldova
- **Veronika Magnusson**, Vision, Sweden

12:00 **Closing ceremony**

12:30 **Close of Congress**

Congress will be immediately followed from 12:30 to 13:00, by a meeting of the newly elected EPSU Executive Committee.