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- To the ETUC member organisations
- To the migration and inclusion working group of the ETUC
- To the IRTUCs
- To the participants of the regional seminars of the Workplace Europe project

INVITATION
Final Conference of the project

“Workplace Europe”
“Trade Unions supporting mobile and migrant workers”

27-28 September 2010

Venue : International Trade Union House, Auditorium
5 Boulevard du Roi Albert II, B – 1210 Brussels

Dear colleagues,

We are pleased to invite you to the final conference of the Workplace Europe Project on ***Trade union actions to support and organise transnational mobile and migrant workers*** that will take place on 27 and 28 September 2010 at the International Trade Union House in Brussels. The conference will open at 9:00 a.m. on the 27th and close at 5:00 p.m. on the 28th.

The conference

During the past year, trade union good practices to support migrant and mobile workers (including temporary and posted workers) have been gathered, and six regional seminars have been organized to discuss about the best ways to overcome barriers and obstacles to participate fully and equally in labour markets across Europe.

The final conference wants to take the debate further and develop proposals for future trade union actions and activities to offer information and support to migrant and mobile workers and provide them with equal rights and proper working conditions, in order to make Europe a better workplace for all.

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During this conference, the following issues will be discussed:

- the results of the regional and sectoral case studies and the recommendations developed by the regional seminars will be presented
- outside experts and representatives of the European institutions will be asked to give their view on the prospects for fair and just working conditions in a mobile Europe
- working groups will discuss further plans for cross border information and support for migrant/mobile workers
- trade union leaders will draw conclusions for the national, sectoral and European level

The discussions taking place at the conference will be structured around three main areas of action:

- a) information, advice and support
- b) organizing and recruiting
- c) integration in workplaces, labour markets and societies.

Participants

Around 100 participants are expected. The conference is aimed at trade unionists who are migration or mobility experts and those persons who participated in the regional seminars of the Workplace Europe project.

Interpretation

Active interpretation will be provided in English, French, German, Italian Polish, Spanish, Romanian and Czech.

Registration

If you are interested in attending this Conference, please complete the attached registration form and send it back to the ETUC (hcipriano@etuc.org) before **6 September 2010**. Geographical balance will be taken into account.

Accommodation and meals

Accommodation for the night of 26 September and the night of 27 September and the meals during the conference will be organised by the ETUC and will be covered by the project budget for participants from EU and candidate countries. Participants will be accommodated at the Huis President Park hotel (Blvd du Roi Albert II, 44, 1000 Brussels Tel: +32 (2)-203.20.20). All extras and personal expenditure are to be covered by participants. Trade unionists from ETUC member organisations from non-EU countries may participate at their own cost.



Please note that if a registered participant who has not cancelled their participation in the 48 hours prior to the first day of the conference fails to show up at the hotel, the hotel night will be invoiced to the participant's organisation.

Reimbursement

Participants are asked to reserve their own travel tickets once they receive confirmation of their participation from the ETUC. Transport documents must be conserved by the participants and will be reimbursed after the conference. *Please read carefully the information* related to the purchase and reimbursement of transport documents mentioned in the Travel section of the registration form.

Do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Contact person for this event is Irina de Sancho Alonso (ialonso@etuc.org)
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We look forward to seeing you in Brussels.

With best regards,

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Annexes:

- Draft programme
- Registration form

