FINAL AGENDA

Seminar on “European Social Fund for capacity building of social partner organisations”
Monday 30 March 2015
Radisson Blu Hotel Latvija, 55 Elizabetes street, Riga, LV-1010, Latvia

08h30-09h00 Registration

09h00-09h15 Presentation of the seminar’s objectives by the European social partners
- Mr Maxime Cerutti, Social affairs Director, BUSINESSEUROPE
- Mr Patrick Itschert, Deputy Secretary-General, ETUC

09h15-09h45 Welcoming word and intervention of the Latvian social partners
- Ms Liga Mengelsone, Director General, LDDK
- Mr Pēteris Krīgers, President, LBAS (invited)

09h45-10h30 Involvement of social partners in the ESF: the partnership principle and identifying thematic priorities
- Ms Marie-Anne Paraskevas, Policy Officer, ESF and Cohesion policy, European Commission, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion
- The partnership principle:
  Mr Luca Visentini, Confederal Secretary, ETUC; Mr Robert Plummer, Adviser, BUSINESSEUROPE; Ms Liliane Volozinskis, Director for Social Affairs and Training Policy, UEAPME

Discussion

10h30-11h00 Coffee break

11h00-12h15 Partnership and monitoring involving social partners
- Germany: Using the ESF to support education and skills – joint social partners’ project, Mr Mario Walter, DGB
- Poland: The Polish experience, Ms Edyta Doboszynska, ZRP
- EU level: Audiovisual sector, Mr Allan Jones, EBU - CEEP UK

Discussion

12h15-13h45 Lunch
13h45-15h00 Capacity building for social dialogue across the European Union

- **Hungary**: Social Renewal Operational Programme, Ms Katalin Klajko, MGYOSZ-BUSINESS HUNGARY
- **Italy**: Using ESF funds for Capacity Building: The Italian Social Partners’ case, Ms Ornella Cilona, CGIL
- *The use of autonomous budget lines*: Ms Juliane Bir, Advisor, ETUC

Discussion

15h00-15h30 Coffee break

15h30-17h00 Concluding panel “ESF – The way ahead”: Building social partners’ capacity and better implementation of autonomous agreements

- Keynote speech: Mr Jordi Curell Gotor, Director for Employment and Social Legislation, Social Dialogue, European Commission DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion
- Mr Maxime Cerutti, Social affairs Director, BUSINESSEUROPE
- Mr Guillaume Afellat, Policy Officer, CEEP
- Ms Liliane Volozinskis, Director for Social Affairs and Training Policy, UEAPME
- Mr Patrick Itschert, Deputy General Secretary, ETUC

17h00 End of the seminar