



The European Confederation of Independent Trade Unions (CESI) in cooperation with

The European Economic and Social Committee (EESC),

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The Romanian Presidency of the Council of the European Union (to be confirmed)

invites you to the next

### **CESI Talk**

on

# Precarious work and lack of access to social rights – The particular case of fixed-term contracts

The European Confederation of Independent Trade Unions (CESI), the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC) and the Romanian Presidency of the Council of the European Union (to be confirmed) invite you to a **stimulating discussion on the impact of precarious work on access to social rights**.

The current initiatives under the Pillar of Social Rights show an increased determination in fighting precarious work and in improving access to social rights. In particular, the recent proposals on access to social protection, transparent and predictable working conditions and better work-life balance point undoubtedly into the right direction.

CESI believes that more reflection is needed to fully understand the link between precarious work and the lack of access to employment protection and labour law, interest representation and social protection. Many workers find themselves in a catch-22 situation, accepting any kind of atypical form of employment so to avoid the downsides of unemployment, yet risking to end up having even less access to social rights by choosing this 'compromise'.

CESI also aims at responding in particular to the concerns of various trade union representatives from all over Europe faced with the particularity of precariousness at work in the form of (repeated) fixed-term contracts.





## Tuesday, 5th March 2019 - 10.00 to 15.00

European Economic and Social Committee, room VMA 3, Rue van Maerlant 2, Brussels

### **Opening 10.00**

Luca Jahier, President of the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC)

Marie Lagarrigue, Deputy Head of Unit, Unit EMPL.B2., Directorate General for
Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion

Javi López, Member of the European Parliament (S&D, ES) (tbc)

NN, Representative of the Romanian Presidency

## Panel 1 – 10.30-12.00 The link between precarious work and the absence of social rights – Type of gaps and interplays

**Christian Moos**, Divisional Director of European and International Affairs, German Federation of Civil Servants (DBB, DE), Member of the EESC

Lucie Davoine, European Commission

**Laura Agea,** Member of the European Parliament (Europe of Freedom and Direct Democracy Group, IT)

NN, Representative of the Romanian Presidency

Marcello Pacifico, President of the Professional Trade Union Association (ANIEF, IT)

Matthäus Fandrejewski, CESI Youth Representative

### 12.00-13.30: Light lunch & coffee break

## **Panel 2-** 13.30-15.00

# Concrete proposals for improving protection, security and social and economic stability

Franca Salis Madinier, President of the Workers' Group, EESC
Adam Pokorny, Head of Unit, European Commission (tbc)

Dimítrios Papadimoúlis, Vice President of the European Parliament (Confederal Group of the European United Left – Nordic Green Left, EL)

NN, Representative of the Romanian Presidency

Javier Jordan de Urries Sagarna, Independent Trade Union of Civil Servants (CSIF, ES)

XX, Regional Secretary, UNI Europa (tbc)

Moderator **Pierre Baussand**, Head of the Brussels Liaison Office, Eurofound

Conclusions
Klaus Heeger, Secretary General, CESI

You can register yourself to the event through this <u>link</u>
Places are limited & registration is mandatory. The working languages of the event are EN, FR, IT (tbc).