



Invitation to an ETUI Online Education course

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Dear Colleagues,

ETUI Education invites you to attend the first edition of the online training activity on the **“European Social Dialogue: the trade union perspective”**. The course will run for four weeks, from **28 September till 25 October 2026**. It will involve about 8-10 hours of work, that learners can follow at their own rhythm by accessing at any moment the online training platform. Online tutors will support participants during the training.

The institutions of the Europe Union and how they function is not obvious and not easy to understand, creating therefore a huge gap between EU policy makers and citizens. One relevant area of activity for Trade Unions is the European Social Dialogue. The e-learning course focuses on different aspects of the European Social Dialogue and considers them from a trade union angle. Topics covered include cross-sectoral and sectoral social dialogue, consultations and access to documents.

Aim and objectives

Once participants have completed this course, they will be able to:

- appreciate how social dialogue improves EU legislation
- explain the historical and legal basis for social dialogue
- understand the various paths that social dialogue can follow and their implications for trade unions as social partners
- plan social dialogue tactics using the rights, concepts, tools and funding that exist
- engage with social dialogue through recognised social partners and the national cascading process.

Working languages

English. Intermediate level is required.

Venue

Online

Participants

Trade union officers from ETUC affiliated Organizations who have already a basic knowledge/experience concerning EU. This course is addressed to an audience able to work in English.

How are enrolments processed?

A maximum of 50 participants can be accepted. The final confirmation of the participants will be done by ETUI bearing in mind the requirements for the target group, and the “first come, first served” rule.

Participants' registration

The individual expression of interests must be done before **18 September 2026** by filling the online form available here:

<https://crm.etui.org/form/european-social-dialogue-the-tra>

Once the 50 available places are filled, registrations will be closed. Given the high numbers of requests, this can happen before the deadline.

Payment of registration

Participation is free of charge.

Additional information

Should you need any additional information please do not hesitate to contact Sylviane Mathy, e-mail: smathy@etui.org

Yours sincerely,

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