



European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC)  
Confédération européenne des syndicats (CES)

**High-level conference – ETUC 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary**  
**Madrid, 28 January 2013**  
**#ETUC40 – “Celebrating the past, looking to the future”**  
**Final programme**

**28 January 2013**

07.30-08.30      Registration

09.00-09.30      **OPENING**

- Chair introduction by Ignacio Fernández Toxo, General Secretary, CC.OO, and President, ETUC
- Welcome by Candido Mendez, General Secretary, UGT-E
- Welcome by María Fátima Báñez García, Spanish Minister for Employment and Social Security

09.30-09.55      ETUC history: introduction by Emilio Gabaglio, former ETUC General Secretary  
Video intervention by Lord John Monks, former ETUC General Secretary  
Launch of the new logo

09.55-10.00      Introductory words, Bernadette Ségol, ETUC General Secretary

10.00-11.30      **PANEL I**

***Ready to act for social Europe? Which priorities?***

**László Andor, European Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion**

**Moderator:** Belén Carreño, journalist, Eldiario.es

**Panelists:**

David Begg, General Secretary, ICTU

Konstantin Trenchev, President, Podkrepa

Marie-Louise Knuppert, Confederal Secretary, LO-D

Henk van der Kolk, President, FNV Bondgenoten

Georges Dassis, President, Group II of the EESC

Markus Beyrer, Director-General, BusinessEurope

11.30-13.00      **PANEL II**

***What part should citizens, workers and their unions play in a genuine economic and monetary union?***

**Martin Schulz, President of the European Parliament**

**Moderator:** Steffen Lehndorff, economist, IAQ & Duisburg university

Panelists:

Ignacio Fernández Toxo, General Secretary, CC.OO, and President, ETUC

Michael Sommer, President, DGB

Jan Guz, President, OPZZ

Anne Demelenne, General Secretary, FGTB

Carola Fischbach-Pyttel, General Secretary, EPSU

Luigi Angeletti, General Secretary, UIL

13.00-14.30 *Lunch break*

14.30-16.00 **PANEL III**

***Current economic governance does not deliver sustainable growth and employment. What needs to be changed? What is the role of the ETUC?***

**Olli Rehn, European Commissioner for Economic and Monetary Affairs and the Euro and vice-president of the European Commission**

Moderator: Brigitte Jeanperrin, journalist, France Inter

Panelists:

Mikko Mäenpää, President, STTK

Frances O'Grady, General Secretary, TUC

Yannis Panagopoulos, President, GSEE

Erich Foglar, President, ÖGB

Laurent Berger, General Secretary, CFDT

16.00-16.30 Concluding remarks, Bernadette Ségol, ETUC General Secretary

**THE CONFERENCE IS OPEN TO THE PRESS.**