

**ETUC 14<sup>th</sup> Statutory Congress**  
Vienna, 21 – 24 May 2019  
**Messe Wien**  
Exhibition & Congress Centre

**A FAIRER EUROPE FOR WORKERS!**  
*Democracy & Social Justice*  
*Just Transitions*  
*Quality Jobs & Higher Wages*

**DRAFT PROGRAMME**

Monday 20 May 2019

**14:30-16:00** Steering Committee – Room Stolz 2 - ground floor

**16:00 – 21:00** – Registration

**16:00** Youth event "The future of trade unions in Europe: young, digital and organised"  
(venue: Hotel Ananas)

**16:30 – 18:00**

- ETUI/TURI fringe meeting: Recent developments in Industrial relations in Austria - Room Schubert 4-6 – 1<sup>st</sup> floor

Day 1 – Tuesday 21 May 2019

**08:00 – 09:00**

- Last minute registration

**09:00 – 9:30 - OPENING**

- Welcome address by **Viktória Nagy**, ETUC Youth Committee President
- *Musical interlude*
- Congress opening by the ETUC President, **Rudy De Leeuw**
- Obituaries
- Video of ETUC activities
- Ratification of affiliations and observer status
- Credential report

**9:30 – 10:45**

- Welcome addresses by
  - **Wolfgang Katzian**, ÖGB President
  - **Michael Ludwig**, Mayor and Governor of Vienna
  - **Luca Visentini**, ETUC General Secretary
- Addresses by external guests:
  - **Jean Claude Juncker**, President of the European Commission

- **Maria João Rodrigues**, Member of the European Parliament, Rapporteur on the European Pillar of Social Rights, President of FEPS
- **Guy Ryder**, Director-General of ILO
- **Pamela Rendi-Wagner**, Chairwoman of the Social Democratic Party of Austria
- **Markus Beyrer**, Director General Business Europe
- **Sharan Burrow**, General Secretary of ITUC

#### 10:45 – 11:15

- Activity Report presented by the ETUC General Secretary
- Debate and adoption of the Activity Report

#### 11.15 – 13.00

- The General Secretary presents the document on the Future of the ETUC
- Adoption of the document on the Future of the ETUC
- Discussion and vote on the amendments to the ETUC Constitution
- The General Secretary presents the **Introduction** to the Action Programme
- General discussion on the Introduction
- Vote on the Introduction

#### 13:00 – 14:30

- Lunch break
- ETUI fringe meeting – Future of work with a foresight perspective - Room Schubert 4-6 – 1<sup>st</sup> floor

#### 14:30 – 15:30

- **From the European Pillar of Social Rights to a Social Contract for Europe**
- Luca Visentini discusses with
- **Antonio Costa**, Prime Minister of Portugal,

#### 15:30 – 16:00

- **Panel 1: European values: human dignity and democracy**
  - Moderator: Peter Scherrer
  - Speakers: **Michael O’Flaherty**, Director of the EU Agency for Fundamental Rights
  - Q&A

#### 16.00 – 18.30

- Peter Scherrer presents **Chapter 1** of the Action Programme: **Building democracy and a better future of Europe for working people**
- General discussion on Chapter 1
- Intervention by **Irakli Petriashvili**, President of PERC
- Vote on Chapter 1

#### 18.30 - 20:00

- ETUC & ETUI reception – Exhibition hall
- **Opening of the Exhibition**
- **ETUC Brian Bercusson award**

**Day 2: Wednesday 22 May 2019**

**9:00 – 11:30**

- Katja Lehto Komulainen presents **Chapter 2** of the Action Programme: ***Shaping a new and progressive economic model based on a fairer economic and social governance***
- General discussion on Chapter 2
- Intervention by **Oliver Röpke**, President of the Workers' Group of the European Economic and Social Committee
- Vote on Chapter 2

**11:30 – 12:30**

- **Panel 2: *An alternative vision for the global and European economies***
  - Moderator: Katja Lehto Komulainen
  - Luca Visentini discusses with
  - **Joseph Stiglitz**, University Professor, Columbia University, Nobel Prize-Winning Economist
  - Q&A

**12.30 – 13.00**

- Esther Lynch presents **Chapter 3** of the Action Programme: ***Fighting for higher wages, stronger collective bargaining and enforceable rights for all***
- General discussion on Chapter 3

**13:00 – 13:15**

- **Photo event on European elections**

**13.00 – 14.30**

- Lunch break
- ETUI fringe meeting – Green/Just transition - Room Schubert 4-6 – 1<sup>st</sup> floor
- EESC side event – Workers Group initiative : The workers' voice in the next European Parliament - Room Stolz 2 - ground floor

**14.30 – 16:30**

- **CONTINUES** - General discussion on Chapter 3
- Vote on Chapter 3

**16:30 – 17:00**

- **Panel 3: *Building Trade Union Power for Better Jobs and Wages***
- Moderator: Esther Lynch
- Speakers: **Nicolas Schmit**, former Luxembourg Minister of Labour, Employment and the Social and Solidarity Economy + **Miranda Ulens**, General Secretary of the FGTB, Belgium
- Q&A

**17:00 – 17:30**

- **Panel 4: *Just transition to tackle the climate change emergency***

- Moderator: Montserrat Mir
- Speaker: **TBC**
- Q&A

#### 17.30 – 18:30

- Montserrat Mir presents **Chapter 4** of the Action Programme:  
***Advocating for just transition, fairer digitalisation, stronger industry policy and gender equality***
- Intervention by **Rafael Freire**, General Secretary of TUCA (Trade Union Confederation of the Americas)
- Intervention by **Gloria Mills**, President of the Women's Committee of the ETUC
- General discussion on Chapter 4

**Day 3: Thursday 23 May 2019**

**9.00 – 10:30**

- *CONTINUES* - General discussion on Chapter 4
- Vote on Chapter 4

**10:30 – 11:00**

- **Panel 5: *Social Pillar and the Future of Work***
  - Moderator: Thiébaud Weber
  - Speakers: **TBC**
  - **Semih Yalcin**, Shop steward in Foodora Köln
  - Q&A

**11:00 – 12:30**

- Thiébaud Weber presents **Chapter 5** of the Action Programme:  
***Relaunching the European social model and shaping the work of the future through an effective Pillar of Social Rights***
- General discussion on Chapter 5
- Intervention by **Richard Trumka**, President of the AFL-CIO, U.S.A.

**12:30 – 13:00**

- Statement by the President on election procedure
- Introduction of candidates for the positions of General Secretary, Deputy General Secretaries and Confederal Secretaries, President, Vice Presidents

**13:00 – 14:30**

- Lunch break
- **VOTE** on the new Secretariat, President, Vice Presidents and the auditors takes place during lunch break
- ETUI fringe meeting – Democracy - Room Schubert 4-6 – 1<sup>st</sup> floor

**14:30 – 15:30**

- *CONTINUES* – General discussion on Chapter 5
- Vote on Chapter 5

**15:30 – 16:00**

- **Panel 6: *Migration, asylum, inclusion: time to build new European solidarity together!***
  - Moderator: Liina Carr
  - Speakers: **Enrico Letta**, Dean of the Paris School of International Affairs (PSIA) at Sciences Po in Paris, President of the Jacques Delors Institute and former Italian Prime Minister.
  - Q&A

**16:00 – 18:30**

- Liina Carr presents **Chapter 6** of the Action Programme:  
***A migration and global agenda based on solidarity, equality and inclusion***
- General discussion on Chapter 6
- Intervention by ***Näima Hammami***, *Executive Bureau member UGTT Tunisia*
- Intervention by ***Hassan Yussuf***, General Secretary of CLC, Canada
- Vote on Chapter 6

#### **18:30 – 20:00**

- International Conference – “Defending Democracy and Building a New Multilateralism” Room Stolz 2 - ground floor
- Chaired by **Rudy De Leeuw**, ETUC President
- Introduction by **Luca Visentini**, ETUC General Secretary
- Interventions by **European trade union leaders** and **international trade union guests**

**Day 4: Friday 24 May 2019**

**09:00 – 09:30**

- Election results – Photo event with the newly elected team

**09:30 – 11:00**

- Emergency motions

**11:00 – 12:30**

- Adoption of the Action Programme (vote)
- The General Secretary presents the ETUC Vienna Manifesto
- Discussion and vote on the ETUC Vienna Manifesto
  
- Newly elected President addresses Congress
- ETUC General Secretary addresses the congress
- Outgoing President closes the Congress

**12:30**

- End of the 14<sup>th</sup> ETUC Congress

**12:30 – 13:00**

- Meeting of the new Executive Committee to elect the new Steering Committee (Plenary Congress Room)

**13:00 – 13:30**

- Press Conference (*tbc*)