**European Sectoral Social Partners in Education promoting the potentials of their dialogue through knowledge transfer and training. The ESSDE capacity building project II**

**Programme for the Round Table meeting**

*Location: Islande Hotel Riga, Ķīpsalas iela 2, Rīga, LV – 1048, Riga, Latvia*

Date: 21 April 2016

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| **REGISTRATION** | |
| 8.30 – 9.00 | Registration of participants |
| **OPENING SESSION: WELCOME AND CURRENT SITUATION** | |
| 9.00 – 9.20 | *Welcome, aims of the meeting and the joint ETUCE/EFEE project (Alexandra Rüdig-Ironside, Coordinator Social Dialogue, Trade Unions & Human Rights, Working Conditions and Michael Moriarty, EFEE, President)* |
| 9.20 – 10.00 | *Current social dialogue in the education sector in Latvia: key opportunities and challenges*  *Introductory presentations by key roundtable partner organisations (20 minutes each)*   * *Inga Vanaga, President, Latvian Educational and Scientific Workers' Trade Union, LIZDA* * *Liga Lejina, State Secretary of the Ministry of Education and Science* |
| **SESSION 1: SOCIAL DIALOGUE AT THE EU LEVEL: ACHIEVEMENTS AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS** | |
| 10.00– 10.20 | *Introduction to the theme (Inès Maillart, ICF):*   * Objectives of the European social dialogue * Treaty basis and subsequent legal developments * Content and outcomes of European social dialogue at the cross-industry level * The future of European social dialogue: the Commission’s ‘re-launch’ and newest developments in the European social dialogue |
| 10.20 – 11.00 | Discussion, questions and answers |
| **COFFEE BREAK** | |
| 11.00 – 11.15 | Coffee break |
| **SESSION 2:** **EUROPEAN SECTORAL SOCIAL DIALOGUE IN EDUCATION (ESSDE): OBJECTIVES, WORK PROGRAMME AND ACHIEVEMENTS** | |
| 11.15 – 11.45 | *Introduction to the theme* (*Sarah Kik, EFEE)*   * Development of the ESSDE * Objectives * Achievements * Work programme * The roles and responsibilities of the European and national social partners |
| 11.45 – 12.15 | Discussion, question and answers |
| **LUNCH** | |
| 12.15 – 13.30 | Lunch |
| **SESSION 3:** **STRENGTHENING THE LINKS AND IMPROVING COMMUNICATION FLOWS BETWEEN THE SOCIAL DIALOGUE AT NATIONAL AND EUROPEAN LEVEL** | |
| 13.30 – 13.40 | *Introduction to the theme (Inès Maillart, ICF):*   * Interaction of national social partners with European social dialogue * Communication and implementation of the results of European social dialogue at national level * Reflection of the national priorities in ESSDE |
| 13.40 – 14.30 | Views and experiences of the Latvian round table participants and European social partners |
| **COFFEE BREAK** | |
| 14.30 – 15.00 | Coffee break |
| **SESSION 4:** **BEST PRACTICE AND EXPERIENCES FROM OTHER COUNTRIES** | |
| 15.00 – 15.30 | *Social dialogue in education in Ireland and Slovenia*  *Presentations by social partners*   * *Michael Moriarty, Education and Training Boards Ireland, ETBI* * *Sandi Modrijan, Education and Science Trade Union of Slovenia, ESTUS* |
| 15.30 – 16.30 | *Exchange with Latvian round table participants and European social partners* |
| **CLOSE, NEXT STEPS AND COMPLETION OF EVENT EVALUTION FORM** | |
| 16.30 – 17.00 | Close, next steps, completion of the event evaluation form |