



Transnationale Seminar Workgroup "Precarious Work"

Questions

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On Thursday, 5th July, our Working Group has discussed the following questions

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How can trade unions establish a more intense exchange of information across the national borders and - maybe - create a real transnational co-operation?

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In all participating countries the strength of trade unions' organisation and the representation of employees is a real issue.

What can we do - both in our own specific contexts and in a cross-border perspective - to strengthen trade unions and the representation of employed workers in general?

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What kind of social dialogue takes place outside of trade unions' organisations? How is it possible to promote and develop the exchange between trade unions and civil society organisations? Are there examples of good or promising practice?

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Is "making flexible" a better or other word for "precarization"? Are there connections between both tendencies? If yes, which?



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The increase of precarious work conditions and the decrease the organisation of workers in trade unions suggest a - maybe fatal - connection of the two tendencies. What about this hypothesis?

Are there pro (for) arguments? Are there contra (against) arguments? Is there any scientific point of view about this issue?

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How do we from understanding and discussing come to acting? Could there be ways of common actions?

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Which role could be played with these questions by civil society organizations, movements, federations play?

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At many places media and also some scientific studies state a large distance, not only but in a special way of young people, from political questions and political commitment.

How can these young people be won? Where, what and in which way trade unions might learn from civil society organizations, as for instance ATTAC?

We are looking forward to your answers, questions, ideas and contributions on these issues.
Thank you.



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