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Dear Sir,

Please find enclosed a Joint Statement on the recently agreed Framework of Action on Youth Employment. Signed on behalf of the European Sectoral Social Partners representing Local and Regional Government, both the employers' and trade unions in this sector recognise the importance of addressing the ever worrying youth unemployment situation, and integrating youth into the labour market.

We, as Social Partners representing the public sector, have highlighted this worrying trend in our sector on numerous occasions, and see it as further contributing to the effects of the crisis and the ongoing demographic challenges facing our sector.

As a result, our joint statement reinforces the EU Cross-Sectoral Framework of Action on Youth Employment, and commits our Committee to following developments and implementation of this FoA in our sector.

In particular we emphasise that Youth Employment needs to be addressed in light of the emerging ageing population, the 'attractivity' of the public sector for young people, the need for greater efficiency, and the steady on-going re-structuring occurring due to economic and fiscal pressures.

The Council of European Municipalities and Regions is the European umbrella organisation representing over 100,000 local and regional authorities in 53 European countries.

The European Federation of Public Service Unions is the largest federation of the ETUC and comprises 8 million public service workers from over 265 trade unions.



If you have any questions on the Joint Statement, please contact the CEMR (Christina.dziewanska-stringer@ccre-cemr.org) and EPSU (cjakob@epsu.org) secretariats.

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