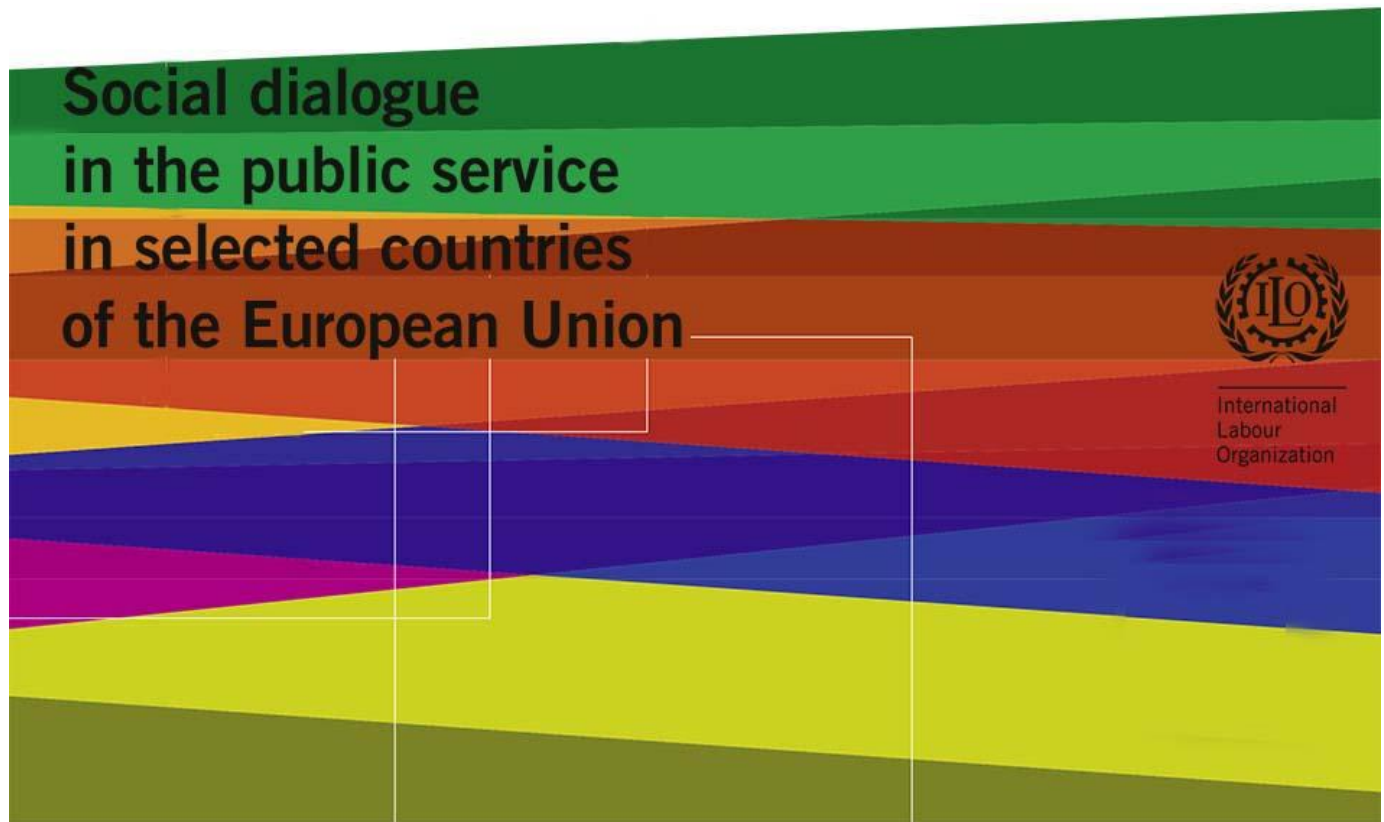


Social dialogue in public services : ILO's new paper!



(30 November 2018) To mark the 40th anniversary of Convention No.151, the ILO has published a new paper based on a desk review of social dialogue in public services in Italy, Denmark, Czech Republic and Slovakia as well as of the EU social dialogue committees in central governments and in hospitals.

The combination of both EU and national levels of social dialogue makes it an unusual read although no conclusions are drawn.

It confirms the processes of informing, consulting and negotiating with the trade unions have changed significantly not the least following the crash of 2008, but the story of the causes remains to be told.

According to the author, Lorenzo Bordogna of the University of Milan, the vagueness of the concept of social dialogue other than collective bargaining, the use and interplay of both bipartite and tripartite systems and workplace levels, plurality of

unions involved, makes comparative research difficult.

The SDC CGA agreement on information and consultation is described as “remarkable for having been reached in times of austerity”, and as an example of difficulties to come in EU-level social dialogue as the Commission refused to implement the Agreement by a draft directive despite the request of the agreement signatories to do so.

The ILO report *Social dialogue in the public service in selected countries of the European Union* is available [here](#)

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