

# Central government negotiations set to begin

## Netherlands

The collective agreement covering central government workers expired at the end of March and the trade unions, including the [FNV](#), and government are about to start negotiations over a new agreement. On the employers' side there is a commitment to discuss pay for civil servants on the lower pay scales, the design of leave arrangements, rosters and workplace measures to address climate change. On the union side the priority will be purchasing power and salaries, along with several other issues including provisions on early retirement and action to reduce workloads.

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