## **Unions achieve progress on pay restoration**

## Ireland

Unions representing public service workers have secured important pay improvements that reverse some of the main changes introduced as austerity measures. Changes to public service pay scales meant that workers taken on from 2010 were at a disadvantage as they had to work two years longer to reach the top of the pay scale. Pay progression for these workers will now be adjusted by cutting out two points of the pay scale. Meanwhile, workers in social services in the nonprofit sector (Section 39 organisations) will get a EUR 1000 increase next April in the first stage of a three-year process to bring their pay in line with public sector workers.

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