Gloria Mills (UNISON, EPSU) elected Vice-President ETUC Women's Committee

(11 October 2013) Gloria Mills from UNISON has been elected Vice-President of the ETUC Women's Committee with a cast of 40 from 42 votes. Gloria is the acting chair of the EPSU's Women and Gender Equality and is the UNISON spokesperson on equality. The candidacy was firmly supported by EPSU and the Trade Union Congress.

The Presidency of the ETUC Women's Committee will be taken by the newly elected French colleague Sponem Perez from Force Ouvrière.

Gloria Mills was elected President of the TUC in September 2005 and served as President and Vice-President in 2005-2007. Gloria's involvement with trade unions began as a steward in 1978. It was not long before she was appointed UNISON's director of equal opportunities. Since that time she has been responsible for a range of campaigns on equal pay, childcare, women, employment, race and human rights issues.

Gloria was also the first Black woman elected to the TUC's General council, and is chair of its race committee and a member of the women's committee. She is a CRE Commissioner and sits on the editorial advisory board of Equal Opportunities Review. Gloria was awarded the CBE in 1995 for services to trade unions and then the MBE in 1999.

She has been a member of the ETUC Women's Committee since 2007 and a member of the Presidium since 2011.

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