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With inflation hitting a 21-year high of 5.6%, Kevin Callinan, head of the [Fórsa](#) public service union, has called for the current “Building momentum” public sector agreement to be reviewed. Under the agreement public service pay will increase by just 1.2% this year. The agreement has an opening clause and Callinan argues that both the high level of inflation and more positive situation for the public finances justify the review. Meanwhile, members of the [Medical Laboratory Scientists' Association](#) (part of the SIPTU trade union) will take strike action on 30 March unless the Department of Health addresses problems of low pay and understaffing. EPSU sent a solidarity message.

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