

To all EPSU French Energy Affiliates

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Dear Colleagues

I am sending you EPSU's solidarity greetings for your day of strike action in the gas and electricity sector on 2 June. We note with concern the way that the employers have made every excuse to avoid sitting down to negotiate on pay and hope that a strongly supported strike will get them to the bargaining table.

It is completely unacceptable that energy workers have been given a pay rise of 0.3% for 2022 when inflation was already at 4.5% by the beginning of the year and this coming after several years of declining purchasing power for these essential workers.

We support your demand for a 4.5% increase on the basic national salary in the sector and that a strong show of force on 2 June will demonstrate to the employers the strength of feeling among energy workers.

This is an important fight and a victory for your members will be an important inspiration for many of our other affiliates negotiating to defend and improve their members' purchasing power.

In solidarity



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