

Union launches 6% pay claim for regional government workers

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Public services union ver.di has set out its main demands for the forthcoming bargaining round covering 2.3 million workers in regional government which begins on 21 January. The union is calling for a 6% pay increase with a minimum guaranteed increase of EUR 200 as part of a 12-month agreement. Ver.di also wants to see a EUR 100 increase for trainees and a commitment to provide jobs for those who successfully complete their courses. The union argues that economic growth and the financial position of regional governments means that the increase is affordable and it will also contribute to maintaining demand in the economy. The agreement is an important one with a knock-on effect on some 3.3 million workers whose pay and conditions are linked to the deal.

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