Union consulting over social work deal

Netherlands

After more than a year of campaigning the FNV has agreed a new deal covering social work which is now out to members for consultation. The union is pleased that the agreement covers two important demands - job security and purchasing power. The agreement puts on obligation on municipalities to find alternative work if employees are made redundant. There is a commitment from the government to provide local authorities with funding to cover pay increases in the social work sector. The exact increases are not yet known but should maintain purchasing power over the course of the agreement. The year-end bonus will go up from 3% of annual salary to 3.75% and in March 2016, all employees will receive a lump sum of €325 (pro-rata for part-time employees). The union also managed to rule out a number of demands from the employers that would have worsened the collective agreement.

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