

PRESS INVITATION

EUROPEAN TRANSPORT WORKERS' FEDERATION

FEDERATION EUROPEENNE DES TRAVAILLEURS DES TRANSPORTS

ETF Air Traffic Management Demonstration

"Stop jeopardizing jobs in European Sky"

When? Monday 14 October 2013 at 13.00 Where? Place du Luxembourg, Brussels

Members of the press are cordially invited to follow the demonstration organised by the European Transport Workers' Federation (ETF) and its affiliated trade union organisations on Monday 14 October 2013 from 13.00 to 15.00 at "Place du Luxembourg" in Brussels.

Approximately **200 air traffic management employee's delegates** from all over Europe will gather in Brussels in front of the European Parliament. There will be an opportunity to interview delegates from the ETF affiliates present. Some of them will attend the meeting of the European Parliament Transport Committee.

Why are we demonstrating?

After the new Commission proposal on the Single European Sky and the debate on the Performance Scheme, the European Parliament Transport Committee will vote very soon on the proposed Regulation with regard to this issue. The ETF will raise the concerns of the Air Traffic Management Staff:

- No to more competition, liberalisation and more and more market principles in the ATM industry
- No to mandatory unbundling of the so-called support services (MET, CNS, Training, AIS)
- No to a performance scheme dominated by cost reduction that mainly aims to cut on jobs!
- No to a structural mandatory separation between supervisory and service provision
- Yes to better quality jobs
- Yes to Functional Airspace Blocks built on the bottom-up approach and based on cooperation
- Yes to a binding human factor pillar

Further information on the format & timing of the event, please contact: François Ballestero, ETF Political Secretary: +32474916979; <u>f.ballestero@etf-europe.org</u>

The ETF represents more than 2.5 million transport workers from 243 transport unions and 41 European countries, in the following sectors: railways, road transport and logistics, maritime transport, inland waterways, civil aviation, ports & docks, tourism and fisheries.