

ETUC – Youth Committee declaration on Brexit

The ETUC Youth is deeply concerned about the outcome of the UK referendum on EU membership and calls out for a change in European policy.

The ETUC Youth is very conscious that the majority of the young people in the UK (72 Percent) voted to remain in the EU. This is a clear sign that young voters do not want Brexit. ETUC Youth will continue its fight for social rights, decent jobs for young people and an inclusive European project all over Europe.

The EU now needs a new narrative which is able to stop the disintegration of Europe and which tackles underlying social problems that are of deep concern to people in all Member States. Unless the EU can regain its momentum in actively generating more social-justice and equality, alienation will become more widespread. The EU urgently needs to implement a social rights agenda and to ensure quality jobs and opportunities.

The ETUC Youth remain in deep solidarity with young workers of the UK. We will strengthen our exchange and extend our collaboration.

"Now it's up to EU Heads of State to change their policy: to stop austerity, precarious employment, inequality and social exclusion in Europe. It is vital to engage with Trade Unions and Youth organizations."

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