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**European Economic and Social Committee**

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| ***Section on Employment, Social Affairs and Citizenship*** |

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**Public hearing**

**on**

***The changing nature of employment relationships, the sharing economy, zero-hour contracts and the living wage***

**Draft agenda**

**Thursday 31 March 2016, 9.00 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

**EESC, meeting room VMA 3**

**8:30 | Registration**

**9:00 | Welcome and opening session**

* **Wolfgang Greif,** Section on Employment, Social Affairs and Citizenship,EESC

**9:15 | Key note speaker**

* **Claire Courteille-Mulder**, ILO, Brussels Office

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| **9:30 |** | **PANEL 1 AND DEBATE*****New forms of employment relationships : benefits vs threats for workers, consumers and businesses*** |

 ***Moderator: Irini Pari (EESC)***

Panellists:

* **Steve Garelick**, Former Uber driver
* **Amaya Apesteguía**, Consumers and Users Organisation (OCU), Spain
* **Marco Torregrossa,** European Forum of Independent Professionals (EFIP)
* **Marianna Georgallis**,European Youth Forum
* **Maxime Cerruti**, BusinessEurope
* **Esther Lynch**, ETUC

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| **11:00 |** | **PANEL 2 AND DEBATE*****Mind the regulatory and legislative gaps*** |

 ***Moderator: Kathleen Walker Shaw (EESC)***

Panellists:

* **Siôn Simon**, MEP (by video)
* **Tony Royle,** The York Management School, University of York
* **Nicholas Costello**, European Commission
* **Gerrit Van de Mosselaer**, Belgian social security department

**12:30 | Concluding remarks**

* **Kathleen Walker Shaw**, rapporteur of the EESC opinion

**13:00 | End of the hearing**

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| **PRACTICAL INFORMATION*****Venue****:* European Economic and Social Committee (EESC), building van Maerlant, salle VMA 3, rue Belliard 99 - 1040 Brussels***Interpreting:***Participants can* **speak in** French, English, German, Portuguese, Italian, Danish, Greek, Estonian, Polish
* **listen to** French, English

Coffee/tea at disposal |