


Tripartite Social Summit for Growth and Employment kicks off

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The spring Tripartite Social Summit will focus on "A strong partnership for job creation and inclusive growth – taking stock of the new start for social dialogue".

This afternoon, the Tripartite Social Summit for Growth and Employment will take place in Brussels, bringing together European employer and employee representatives ("social partners"), the European Commission, EU Heads of State or Government, and Employment and Social Affairs Ministers from the countries holding the current and future EU Council Presidencies.

One year ago, the high-level conference "New Start for Social Dialogue" marked the beginning of a renewed partnership between social partners and EU Institutions, and showed the importance of European social dialogue in addressing today's economic and social challenges.

This Summit will be an opportunity to take stock of what has been achieved so far and which challenges lie ahead.

In addition, participants will be invited to express their views on their experiences in the implementation of country-specific recommendations and the recommendations for the euro area and on the progress made; as well as on the role of the social partners in the integration of refugees into the labour market and on the challenges for the labour market and skills arising from digitalisation.

President Juncker will deliver a speech at the opening of the Summit, while Vice-President for the Euro and Social Dialogue Valdis Dombrovskis and Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs, Skills and Labour Mobility Marianne Thyssen will represent the Commission throughout the meeting. A press conference takes place after the summit and can be followed [here](#).

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