
Resolution of the Trade Council 'Post & Telecoms'

More fairness must be shown to older workers!

More and more companies, including those in the field of post and telecom, are trying to relieve themselves of older and more expensive workers and their methods are anything but fair. Instead of respecting, honouring and making use of the contribution made by colleagues who are the very people who helped to build up companies over the course of decades, such workers are perceived as sickly and costly.

Illnesses are on the rise amongst older workers due to the ever-increasing pressures of work and the wearing away of the musculoskeletal system through carrying heavy goods every day and in all weather conditions.

As a trade council 'Post and Telecom', we are calling for clear legal provisions which make it possible for people across Europe, including in the fields of post and telecommunications, also to be able to reach the beginning of the statutory retirement age feeling healthy and happy.

Early retirement with low pensions was not and is not the goal of the workers whom we represent. We must mobilise all our resources to fight against the threat of poverty in old age.

This is why we are calling on all European institutions not to rob an increasingly elderly European population of its sense of pride.

Even in this globalised world, in which maximising profits is unfortunately the number one goal for many, the weaker, more elderly and those with special needs must not be forgotten in Europe.