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**JOINT STRUGGLES ACROSS EUROPE TO OVERTHROW
THE HARSH NEOLIBERAL POLICIES**

Dear colleagues,

You have already received the last decision of our General Assembly analyzing the situation both teachers and employees are going through in Greece. As we have pointed out, our belief is that Greece is the point of departure as similar policies are being implemented or are under implementation across Europe (especially in the countries of the European South). Therefore, we believe that there should be a coordinated reaction of all Federations across Europe. ETUCE and EI are able to and must take on the role of the coordinator in this struggle.

All Teacher Federations are called out in a coordinated struggle. It is our duty to overthrow the policies which subvert our working rights, and dismantle both the welfare state and the public education in Europe.

It is already known that the EU Leaders' Summit will take place on March 25, 2011 and the decisions taken in the name of financial crisis will deteriorate the living standards of all employees in Europe. ETUC and ETUCE have already organized a pan -European demonstration the day ECOFIN meets, on April 9, 2011 in Budapest.

However, in our point of view, this is not enough. **We suggest that we should organize joint struggles and mobilizations throughout Europe around those dates which might include strikes, demonstrations and protests, other forms of manifestation, as well as the publication and distribution of awareness material.**

A joint struggle across Europe can overthrow the neoliberal policies. We strongly believe that employees are going to win.

For the E. B. of OLME

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