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SOLIDARITY MESSAGE TO FLC CGIL

Dear Colleagues,

The E.B. of OLME supports strongly the mobilizations of all the teaching, research and administrative staff of Italy, working in the field of knowledge, and the whole system of education and research.

Your demands for substantial increase in wages, for increase of financing for public education, for support of the educational system and for steady employment, are also our demands.

The struggle of all employees in Italy, in Greece and in all Europe for not paying the weight of the crisis the less protected, but those who created the crisis, is a joint struggle.

We wish you every success in your struggle as it will be also our success.

For the E.B. of OLME

The President

The General Secretary

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Νίκος Παναγιώτου

To all the Unions members of EI and CSEE
A call for solidarity from The Italian Federation of Knowledge Workers
FLC CGIL

General Strike FLC CGIL
Rome, December 11th

All the teaching, research, technical and administrative staff working in the field of knowledge, and the whole system of education and research is undergoing sweeping reforms carried out by the Government, through which the rights of negotiation and democracy are reduced, the public system of schools, universities and research institutions is to be dismantled, as well as the funding and jobs are cut. Thus, the universal right of citizens to education, guaranteed by our Constitution, is denied. Facing such a serious and dangerous attack, FLC Cgil has taken the decision to call a general strike of all the sectors of knowledge on December 11th

These are, in short, the main reasons for the strike:

- Against the cut of funding and staff due to the financial law of the Berlusconi Government
- Against the inadequate appropriation for the renewal of the national contracts (12 euros for next year), to increase the purchasing power of salaries
- Against the projects aiming at dismantling the public system of education and research
- Against the lack of a long-term plan to engage the hundreds of thousands of non-permanent workers
- Against the law concerning the public services, aiming at reducing salaries, rights, democracy, and workers' protections

For a plan of investments centred on the knowledge sectors, intended to help the country overcome the crisis

To support employment through the enlargement of social protections

To support the workers' incomes through a reduction of their taxation

For a safe school

General strike of public and private schools, universities, research institutes, fine arts and music academies. This is the answer FLC Cgil gives to the Government, to the Minister of Education Gelmini, the Minister of Public Administration Brunetta, the Minister of Economic Affairs Tremonti, the Minister of Labour Sacconi who, with their authoritative policies, are trying to lay the weight of the crisis on the less protected citizens, while making the country poorer and weaker.

Dear colleagues, thanks to all for your solidarity

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