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In this last issue

After three years of research, the activities within the BreakBack Project have been completed.

This last issue of the Newsletter is dedicated to the Final Conference and to the dissemination of the project reports.

We take this opportunity to thank the BreakBack partners for their work and all those who contributed to the implementation of the project:

- the Trade Unions involved
- the responsible persons and staff of the services and associations studied as good practices
- the academic experts who participated in the debate on the topics of the project
- *all those who participated in the project initiatives.*
- 1. Trade union renewal between individual services and new associative dimensions: videos and materials of the project's final conference
- 2. The BreakBack Project Final Reports



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Trade union renewal between individual services and new associative dimensions: videos and materials of the project's final conference

n 18th and 19th November 2021, the Cisl Study Center in Florence hosted an important international conference at the end of the project.

Between the first and second day, about two hundred people, in presence and online, attended the conference and important contributions were made by academics and trade unionists, including the General Secretaries of Cisl Luigi Sbarra and of the European Trade Union Confederation Luca Visentini.

The presentations and YouTube videos of the final conference are available online.

The Presentations →here

To watch the videos of the conference, click on the corresponding titles:

- → Welcome by Francesco Scrima (Director of Cisl Studies Centre)
- ightarrow The welcome speech by Luigi Sbarra (Cisl General Secretary)
- →BreakBack Project Aims and methodologies, Francesco Lauria (Cisl, Project Coordinator) Alberto Gherardini (University of Tu-

rin Project Management Group)

- →Union servicing for platform workers: the cases of Belgium, Denmark, and Spain, Chair: Francesco Lauria (CISL, Project Coordinator), Karolien Lenaerts (Diesis/HIVA), Sebastiann Kennes (United Freelancers), Trine Pernille Larsen (FAOS-University of Copenhagen), Alejandro Godino (Quit-Autonomous University of Barcelona)
- ightarrow Speech by the ETUC General Secretary, Luca Visentini
- → Union servicing, unemployment, and precariousness: the cases of Italy and Spain, Marco Betti (Ezio Tarantelli Foundation), Fabio Franchi (CISL Firenze-Prato), Oscar Molina Romo (Quit- Autonomous University of Barcelona), Carmen Juares (CCOO Catalunya)
- → Comments by Mimmo Carrieri and Nicola Countouris
- → Union servicing and self-employed workers: the cases of Denmark, Italy, and Lithuania, Anna Ilsøe (FAOS-University of Copenhagen), Silvia Degl'innocenti (vIVAce!), Ilaria Lani (Nidil-CGIL Firenze) Inga Blaziene (Lithuanian Social Research Centre) Comments by Roberto Pedersini (La Statale University of Milan), Rosangela Lodigiani (Cattolica University Milan)
- → "Collectivizing" services: a new paradigma? From practices to strategies for trade union renewal, Andrea Bellini (La Sapienza University of Rome, Project Management Group) Mattia Pirulli (Felsa Cisl General Secretary) Comments by Paolo Feltrin (University of Trieste)
- → Closing remarks by Giulio Romani, Cisl Confederal Secretary



The BreakBack Project Final Reports

 To find out whether service provision by unions actually leads to increased membership and/or growth in worker engagement...

...read and download the Reports in English:

- → Executive Summary
- → Country Report Italy
- → Country Report Belgium
- → Country Report Denmark
- → Country Report Lithuania
- → Country Report Spain

Available in Italian:

- → Executive Summary
- → Country Report Italy

The complete Research Comparative report will be published soon, at this webpage:

→https://www.breakback.cisl.it/project-result/8-pagine-statiche/38-reports



fter three years of work, the BreakBack Comparative Executive Summary and Countries reports are now available!

- To go deeper with the results of the BreakBack research on "unionization through innovative services and its effects on membership";
- To understand which strategies unions adopt to overcome workers disaffection in Italy, Belgium, Denmark, Lithuania and Spain;
- To learn more about the variety of TU services provided in these five EU member states;



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