

The Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) and the University of Nicosia cordially invite you to the conference

## **Youth Unemployment in Cyprus**

**Presentation of the FES Report by Sertac Sonan and Gregoris Ioannou**

**Friday, 21 October 2016, 9.30 – 18.00**

**UNESCO Amphitheatre, University of Nicosia, Nicosia**

**Open to the public**

Youth unemployment is a huge problem in Europe and on both sides of the divide. The Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) has asked two Cypriot researchers to investigate the causes of youth unemployment on the island in a comprehensive study. On the occasion of the launch of the report this study and the problem of youth unemployment in Europe in general will be discussed by representatives from labour unions, officials, representatives of employers' associations and involved actors from civil society.

### **9.30 Opening Addresses by**

**Emilios Solomou**, Executive Vice President for Administration and Director of the UNESCO Chair of the University of Nicosia

**Hubert Faustmann**, Director of the Office of FES in Cyprus

### **9.45: Panel 1:**

#### **9.45 – 11.00: Youth Unemployment in Europe**

**Hans Dietrich**, Institute for Labour Market and Professional Research:  
*Unemployment in Europe and Strategies to Combat it*

**Discussion**

***11.00 – 11.30 Coffee Break***

**11.30 – 13.00 Panel II: Youth Unemployment in the north**

**Sertac Sonan**, Presentation of the Youth Unemployment Report

**Hasan Yıkıcı**, (Dev-İş)

**Süleyman Gelener**, (KTÖS)

Employers' Representative (not confirmed yet)

**İsmet Lisaniler**, (Retired official from the north)

***13.00 – 14.30 Lunch Break***

**14.30 – 16.00 Panel III Youth Unemployment in the south**

**Gregoris Ioannou**, Presentation of the Youth Unemployment Report

**Nikos Gregoriou**, PEO, Economic and Social Policy Bureau

**Tasos Kakoullis**, Secretary of SEK Youth SEK

**Lena Panayiotou**, OEB, Senior Industrial Relations & Social Policy Officer

Official from the Ministry of Labor (tbc)

***16.00 – 16.30 Coffee Break***

**16.30 - 18.00 Panel IV: The Social Impact of Youth Unemployment in Europe and Cyprus**

**Hans Dietrich**, Institut für Arbeitsmarkt- und Berufsforschung

**Nadia Karayianni**, NGO Support Centre, Member of Board of Directors

**Celal Özkızan** (Bağımsızlık Yolu)

***18.00 End of the Event***