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Union Launch Jobs Pact for Young Workers

Brussels, 6 April 2011 (ITUC OnLine): The international trade union movement is launching a new worldwide jobs pact for young people at a special G20 employment meeting in Paris.

“Of all the pressing employment and social issues in the continuing global economic crisis, youth unemployment is the most urgent. Our Youth Jobs Pact aims to get governments to create employment for young people, boost investment in education and training, improve job placement and protect youth wages and working conditions. The seriousness of this problem, and the different experiences in the various G20 countries, provide another reason why the G20 needs to set up a Working Group on Employment to move this and other such issues forward throughout the G20,” said ITUC General Secretary Sharan Burrow.

To read the ITUC/TUAC statement to the Paris meeting: <http://www.ituc-csi.org/trade-union-statement-to-the-g20.html>

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