

## PSI welcomes French call to halt TTIP negotiations and asks 'what about CETA'?

[PSI General Secretary welcomed the decision of the French government to ask the EU to withdraw from the TTIP negotiations. The French position follows a recent statement by the German Vice-Chancellor affirming that "TTIP has failed – but no one is admitting it".](#)

## EU Apple Tax Ruling shows austerity is a political decision

The EU's tax ruling on Apple announced on 30 August shows that finally the European Commission (EC) is acknowledging that austerity is a political, not economic, choice. That's the main message behind the striking decision, according to PSI General Secretary. [More](#)

## US Justice Dept decides to close down privatised prisons

In an historic move, and on the back of years of work by public sector unions and civil society allies, the United States Department of Justice announced on 18 August their intention to close all private prisons under contract to the DOJ. [More](#)

## No to the Exploitation of Youth Through Precarious Work!

On 12 August, International Youth Day, PSI's General Secretary Rosa Pavanelli inquired: "How can we eradicate inequality and achieve sustainable consumption and production in a world where future generations have nothing ahead but insecurity?" [More](#)

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## Uganda to close commercial private schools

The Ugandan Minister of Education and Sports, Hon Janet Museveni, formally announced during a session of the parliament on 9 August 2016 that the Government will soon close the schools operated by the largest and most controversial chain of commercial private schools worldwide, Bridge International Academies (BIA), which runs 63 nursery and primary schools in Uganda. [More](#)

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