PROGRAMME WIBAR-3 WHOLESALE AND RETAIL (COMMERCE) SEMINAR
“The Defence and Advance of Collective Bargaining: Regaining Trade Union Strength?”

De Burcht, Amsterdam, Friday 7 October 2016

09:30 Welcome in De Burcht: prof. Paul de Beer, director AIAS
09:40 Opening remarks: Denis Gregory (Ruskin College, chair), self-introduction by participants
10:00 “The WIBAR-3 project and expert survey”: Maarten van Klaveren and Kea Tijdens (AIAS)
10:30 “The Spanish Case Study: Industrial Relations and Collective Bargaining in the Spanish Commerce Sector”: Miquel Loriz Toro, Maria del Pilar Rato and Paloma Vega (all CCOO Servicios)
11:15 Coffee break
11:30 “The Hungarian Case Study: Labour Market Changes and Collective Bargaining in Hungarian retail”: Tibor Meszmann (CELSI), Katalin Palne Buday (KASZ) and Nikoletta Kiss (KASZ)
12:15 Country experiences briefing 1:
“Social Dialogue in the Commerce Sector – the Slovenian experience”: Peter Virant (KSS PERGAM)
12:40 Plenary debate
13:00 Lunch
14:00 Country experiences briefing 2:
“Developments in Industrial Relations and Collective Bargaining in Germany”: Reinhard Bispinck (WSI-DGB)
“Competition, Collective Bargaining and Wages in the Dutch commerce sector”: Maarten van Klaveren (AIAS)
14:45 Plenary debate
15:15 Coffee / tea break
15:30 Country experiences briefing 3:
“Collective Bargaining in Commerce: the Struggle of the Portuguese unions”: Jose Perfeito (Ruskin College)
“Trade Union Organizing and Collective Bargaining in British Commerce”: Denis Gregory (Ruskin College)
16:15 Plenary debate
16:45 Perspectives for the WIBAR3 project: closing comments by Denis Gregory and Maarten van Klaveren
17:00 Drinks
18:00 Buffet at De Burcht