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Situation in DK

- University law from 2003 abolishing collegial governance
- Appointed and not elected Rectors etc.
- More micromanagement by the ministry despite the regulations in the law that universities have autonomy

ETUCE statement

- "It is the duty of trade union organisations, in particular of the teachers, holding a special responsibility in society, to combat the right-wing populist parties taking advantage of the current climate of confusion to push their nationalist agenda. The ETUCE believes in a policy based on solidarity and fairness recognising the need for solutions to regulate the financial market avoiding a complete panic and destabilisation of the European economy."

ETUCE cont.

“Education is not only facing the consequences of the crisis; it is facing the consequences of the lack of vision and courage of policymakers. We must assert yet again, that education as a core investment for the future of Europe is a key part of the solution to the economic crisis. Slashing education and other public services at this time is not only unfair and unhelpful: it is actually deepening the crisis and causing long-term damage to our economic prospects and the fabric of our societies. The economic crisis is being used in a number of countries to impose deeply ideological and controversial neo-conservative policies as if they were objective responses to crisis.”

HERSC

- Debates on HE-developments in Europe
- In particular the Bologna process and the ideas of the European Commission on Modernising Universities in Europe
- We are defending academic freedom and other central values to academic staff
- We have allies in Council of Europe, in ESU (European Student's Union) and UNESCO