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Employers willing to offer higher wages

Invitation to trade unions for new collective agreement negotiations

Employers have invited the FNV and CNV to resume talks as soon as possible regarding a new collective agreement for the textile care sector. This is necessary because both trade unions rejected the employers' final offer last week. As a result, no agreement has yet been reached on a new collective agreement to come into force on 1 September.

CNV wants to continue talks

The CNV trade union has since responded positively to the invitation. The CNV has indicated that it is keen to continue discussions with employers in order to explore together how a collective agreement can still be reached. Employers are prepared to make a higher wage offer in this regard.

FNV has suddenly set out additional demands

The response from the FNV trade union is very different in tone. Over the past few months, employers have done their utmost and held extensive consultations with the trade unions. Employers therefore find it striking that the FNV is now suddenly making additional demands – demands that were not discussed during the negotiations, with the FNV's consent.

Employers: let's work together to build a healthy future

According to employers, the best collective agreement outcome is achieved through consultation, based on trust in our employees. That is why we remain committed to working together to develop a balanced collective agreement – one that keeps both employees and the sector strong and healthy, and helps them move forward. Without an agreement, there will be no new collective agreement for the Textile Care sector from 1 September.

We'll keep you updated!

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On behalf of employers in the textile care sector

