

# JOBS NOT CUTS!

**PROTEST GATHERING AT THE DAIL**  
**Wednesday 29 September 2010**

**ASSEMBLE AT ANGLO IRISH BANK @ 12.30pm**

**Mark the Return of Government TDs**

## JOBS NOT CUTS

September 29 marks the European Trade Union Day of Action against Austerity Measures, in protest at EU governments imposing savage cuts to vital services in response to the crisis. It won't work.

Ireland has already seen three deflationary budgets with a fourth looming in December. **But the numbers out of work are now over 455,000 – the highest since the Live Register began in 1967.** Taking money out of the economy in a recession causes job losses. Pay and welfare cuts were imposed in last year's budget and the numbers out of work have climbed steadily since. The next budget will just add to that number.

But the Government still has no plan for jobs, no strategy to create jobs or keep people in work. Almost every other EU state has a 'job protection' scheme in place and in some countries – such as Germany - unemployment has started to fall.

**Instead, they have spent (or committed) almost €25 billion on the banks.** And that figure will continue to rise. The bill for Anglo Irish alone could reach €35 billion. Even conservative voices like the Financial Times and Barclays Bank say our banking plan is lunacy because it places the entire burden on the taxpayer.

**WE NEED TO PRIORITISE PEOPLE, JOBS AND GROWTH. WE CANNOT CUT OUR WAY OUT OF THIS CRISIS. IT'S NOT WORKING.**

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