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At the Tripartite Social Summit Ludger Ramme focused on the digital revolution and on European solidarity being necessary to overcome the refugee crisis.

Ramme, President of CEC European Managers, stated that solidarity between European countries is necessary to overcome the refugee crisis and on the digital revolution. He spoke on behalf of the CEC European Managers and Eurocadres Liaison Committee.

CEC European president Ludger Ramme said: "It is now vital for Europe to regain its productive capacity, taking advantage of the upcoming integration of digital and communication technologies into objects, the internet of things.

The adaptation to these new working patterns needs to be accompanied by a well-functioning social dialogue. The acknowledgment of the special role of social partners is one of the many applications of the "subsidiarity" principle. A reason more to demand that such a special role does not simply remain a Treaty-based statement, but can be applied and respected in all its aspects, including that of autonomy.

Social partners have to demonstrate their capacity and willingness to produce tangible results. The managers of Europe are committed to providing their contribution to the dialogue between the active economic and social forces of our countries. They serve as facilitators and bridge-builders between the needs and expectations of employees and employers, strengthening mutual trust and helping them better understand the position of one another".

Ramme concluded "We are ready to provide our expertise and our competences in a spirit of cooperation and in the interest of a well-functioning and solid European economic and social model."

Background :

CEC European Managers is one of the six cross-industry European social partners acting under the articles 154 and 155 of the TFUE. Through its national member organizations and professional federations it represents more than one million managers in Europe. CEC European Managers defends the interests of managers in Europe and promotes the specific views of managers towards the European institutions and other stakeholders. CEC European Managers is an independent social partner in the European Social Dialogue.

Eurocadres are representing the managerial and professional staffs inside the ETUC unions whereas CEC is an independent confederation gathering managers and executive staff throughout Europe, composed of 16 national organizations and 9 sectoral federations. CEC and Eurocadres together count for more than six million highly skilled employees and both defend the interests of this professional category. At European level, CEC and Eurocadres take part in the social dialogue on equal footing and on the terms of a cooperation agreement since 1999 within the ETUC delegation.

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