# **SDC-**"MOBILISING SOCIAL **PARTNERS IN A NEW CONTEXT**" **FINAL CONFERENCE** BUCAREST, 24-25 MAY 2016



## **FIRST PART**

# ACTIVITY DECLINE: CAUSES

#### CAUSES FOR AN ACTIVITY DECREASE

#### **1. LIBERALIZATION**

## 2. IMPACT OF NEW TECHNOLOGIES

## **3. FINANCIAL CRISIS**

#### LIBERALIZATION

- Spanish Postal market liberalized in 1964
- European Directives (1997, 2002, 2008) transposed into Spanish legislation in the postal laws 1998 and 2010 respectively.
- Spanish postal public company economic downturn against almost 2000 private operators, no diversification.

#### NEW TECHNOLOGIES IMPACT

- Changes in the production processes because of digitalization (consequences in employment)
- E-substitution impact: electronic invoice law.
  CCOO amandment in the Parliament.
- Correos, unaware and undiversified, remains in the letter monoculture. CCOO demands diversification.

## FINANCIAL CRISIS

- Sharp GDP fall (9% between 2009 and 2014)
- This has impacted in Correos, compounded by Government austerity policies:
  - Breaking off the agreement with Deutsche Bank with no alternative.
  - Avoiding parcel bussiness, not boosting Correos Express.
  - Aproving a brutal e-invoice law in a country with 40% of the population with no access to the internet.

## OUTCOME: ACTIVITY DECLINE

- Correos lost a 30% of the activity between 2008 and 2016.
- And more than 15000 jobs.

#### SECOND PART: THE UNION ACTION BEFORE A RECESSIONARY CLIMATE

 TO AVOID A LABOUR REFORM
 TO REGULATE THE ACCESS TO CORREOS
 TO REGULATE THE PROFESSIONAL PROMOTION AND THE COMPANIE'S LEAVING

## TO AVOID A LABOUR REFORM

- There have been many labour reforms in Spain, imposed by PSOE and PP, all of them responded with Strikes.
- The last strike was the most aggressive.
- CCOO, together with other unions, partly avoided this aggressiveness thank the *ultraactivity* clause.

#### ACCESS REGULATION

- Movilization, then employment consolidation in 2016 and 2017.
- Temporary job bourses (no temporary agencies)
- Access trhoughout a competition

## REGULATION IN MOBILITY AND PROMOTION

- Mandatory mobility and staff adjustments are regulated
- Contest for relocating and local adjustment
- Internal promotion for civil servants
- Contest for middle management (merits + training+ profile)

## LEAVING REGULATION

- Staff at 65-67, civil servants at60 (if 35 service years).
- Interministerial mobility
- Paied extended leaves for civil servants (recent agreement)
- CCOO keeps demanding reduction coefficient and a converging early retirement plan.
- During more than 30 years, we have avoided COLLECTIVE DISMISSALS thanks to negociation.

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