

## **Unionreps Connect 2022 – Programme** *(Subject to change)*

**Thursday 6 October, 09:00-16:00**

<b>9.00 - 9.30</b>	Registration - tea, coffee and pastries, a chance to network and meet other union reps.
<b>9.30 - 9.45</b>	Welcome from Paul Nowak, Deputy General Secretary.
<b>9.45 - 10.00</b>	Employment law update - An overview of recent case law and what to expect in 2023. By Jo Seery, Professional Support Lawyer, Thompsons Solicitors.
<b>10.30 - 10.45</b>	Morning break
<b>10.45 - 11.30</b>	Union reps make a difference - How reps bring positive change to the workplace and can work together to find the next generation of trade unionists. By Ivor Riddell, RMT, Becky Sixsmith-Hughes, TUC and Anna Kalsi, TUC.
<b>11.30 - 12.00</b>	View from the picket line - Inspirational stories from reps involved in recent industrial disputes. Plus, a presentation of the TUC's new Solidarity Hub. Speakers from RMT, UNISON and Community Union.
<b>12.00 - 12.45</b>	ACAS and union representation - The role of conciliation in individual disputes, the role of the rep, and work to improve the process. By Nicole Clark, Head of Individual Dispute Resolution and Tony Lowe, Senior Policy Advisor, Individual Dispute Resolution.
<b>12.45 - 13.45</b>	Lunchtime
<b>13.45 - 14.45</b>	Workshops (round 1) - Practical, up-to-date, hands-on sessions to support reps in the workplace.
<b>14.45 - 15.00</b>	Afternoon break
<b>15.00 - 16.00</b>	Workshops (round 2) - A second chance to join a workshop.
<b>16.00 - 20.00</b>	Drinks reception - A chance to connect with new and old faces.