

Discussion forum

Fighting for union rights under Labor

As Kevin Rudd rode to an election victory on the back of the YourRights at Work campaign, many workers expected Labor to scrap the regressive WorkChoices legislation. Whilst Labor was happy to claim the victory, they have done little to repay the faith of the working voters who handed it to them. Our unions still struggle under restricted right of entry laws; the right to strike is still tightly controlled; and secondary boycotts remain illegal.

Worst of all Kevin Rudd has committed to keeping the ABCC until 2010. Even as CFMEU official, Noel Washington, faces jail for taking a stand against the ABCC, Industrial relations Minister, Julia Gillard, declared - "...there will always be a strong cop on the beat in the building industry under Labor". This forum will examine what we can expect under Labor in terms of industrial relations and discusses strategies for rebuilding our unions.

Speakers include:

Jason Stein, CFMEU, Training and Industrial Relations Manager
Scott Wilson, ETU State Organiser
Emma Tovell, QPSU and Solidarity member



Noel Washington from the CFMEU is facing jail for refusing to be interrogated by the ABCC

7pm, Tuesday 14th October
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