

Lunch in the DRB canteen: Period of break or new stress?

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The number of visitors to the Drosbach building is constantly increasing: colleagues from already overcrowded buildings nearby (EUFO, ARIA), participants in training courses, conferences and meetings or simply newcomers to Luxembourg. The canteen, a place once intended for a quiet and serene meal break, has become a place of stress and is not any longer a place for a welcomed break.

"Little steps" have been taken by OIL (a few floor protectors on some chairs, small signs inviting visitors to be careful not to generate noise). But the room becomes unbearable during the lunch break, the opposite of a living space. Finding a bit of peace and quiet for lunch is already difficult now but it gets even worse when there are no more tables available.

The lack of space and the noise level are recurrent problems in our canteens as, in recent years, they are increasingly frequented. The situation in Drosbach is clearly at the limit of what is being acceptable. Do we really have to request installing a sound level meter and a visitors counter so that the Institution finally admits that there is a real problem?

Taking a break is clearly a regulatory obligation and must remain a time of relaxation to 'recharge your batteries' before returning to work.

It is time to take real actions as this situation has gone on for toolong. Union Syndicale Fédérale Luxembourg asks OIL to finally meet its responsibilities and make sure that the obvious nuisance disappears.

USF Luxembourg will keep you informed about how this file advances.

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