

March For the Manufacturing Sector

March For The Alternative

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Saturday 26th March • 11am

Assemble - Victoria Embankment, London

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Join the march with thousands of others to send a message to the coalition government that there is an alternative to the spending cuts.



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Unite workers in the private sector are facing difficult times as the Government makes harsh cuts. TUC research shows that 29 per cent of public expenditure goes directly to the private sector; therefore, a 10 per cent cut would mean a loss of £16.9bn to the private sector and 200,000 jobs.

Every sector of our economy is at risk. In the print sector there are 10,500 small businesses, many of which are micro businesses. 80% of these will be put at risk of failure as a result of the cuts, which could result in job losses of up to 20,000 in 2011. Much of the work for small print businesses comes from the public sector. Some printing companies report they have already lost up to a two-thirds of work previously produced for councils and public bodies. Advertising for public sector jobs and vacancies in newspapers and magazines has plummeted with a subsequent drop in sales and pagination.

Cuts to the defence budget have already impacted on jobs in the Aerospace sector, the decisions by government about NIMROD and Harrier have resulted in the loss of 1300 jobs and will impact severely on the defence supply chain.

Any further reduction in spending in defence will create critical mass issues for the supply chain and in particular SMEs, this will create company closures, job losses and the loss of skills, experience and knowledge in a sector renowned for its highly skilled workers.

The Local Government procurement market represents £34.2bn, SMEs get about 59% of the procurement spend which means for every £1 cut from the local government procurement budget, SMEs will lose 59p. Nearly one fifth of manufacturers expect to see a direct loss of orders. In addition, 40% of companies expect to see a loss of orders through their supply chains.

**Join us on the march, make your
opposition to the cuts heard**

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