

What do you think?

New measures giving Britain's temporary workers equal rights to permanent members of staff have been agreed by European Union employment ministers. Under the deal, agreed between the CBI, TUC and Government, Britain's 1.3 million agency workers will get the same pay as permanent staff after being employed for 12 weeks. What do you think?



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"It must be remembered that when taking on agency workers, employers are obliged to pay commission to the

agency. Accordingly, the implications of this new deal is that hiring an agency worker for more than 12 weeks will inevitably be more expensive than a permanent member of staff" she said. "This will potentially damage the job prospects of the agency workers and, obviously, the agencies themselves".