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The situation of doctors in Spain does not currently offer any difference according to our last report six months ago.

Although macroeconomic indexes indicates that the economy is improving, the fact is that this is not a significant improvement towards the Spanish population.

Now Spain is immersed in a long electoral process. During the month of May there will be local and regional elections, and by the end of this year the general elections will be held. Meanwhile, the discrediting of politicians is increasing due to their broken promises and due to corruption.

The Ministry of Health has changed its Minister and there has been no progress in negotiations. Although a "table of dialogue" has been created between the Ministry of Health and representatives of physicians. Its first meeting will be at the beginning of June.

The Spanish doctors continue with cuts on their wages, precarious contracts, with non-replacement of vacant posts due to retirement and with a lack of construction of new healthcare facilities. In other words, the impoverishment of the Spanish healthcare system continues.

CESM's priority lines of action:

- Increase public budget for Healthcare to improve quality assurance, today it is acceptable, thanks to professionals.
- New model of public health funding based on the number of inhabitants in the different 17 Spanish regions.
- Basic state legislation on issues such as access to employment, salaries, training, and professional career.
- Compensate the cuts on doctors' salaries since 2010, which has cost a reduction on the purchasing power of around 25%.
- Stable employment and cover the vacant posts.
- Reestablish professional Career (suspended by national budget cuts), homogenize the professional career and open it to all physicians regardless of their employment status.
- Decrease the high pressure on healthcare assistance and waiting lists with the strengthening the primary care sector and the reinforcement of the social services for chronic care.