

# REGIONALNI SAVET SINDIKATA **SOLIDARNOST**

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## Statement in Solidarity with Slovenian Trade Unions and Workers

We are seriously concerned with the latest developments in Slovenia undertaken by the new coalition, which have been passed in total absence of social dialogue, and are expected to have serious impact on the quality of life of Slovenian citizens, as well as on the quality of future social dialogue in the country. The newly elected parliament has passed an omnibus bill with extensive impact on healthcare, pensions and labour relations, and also rejected the demand for a referendum on the bill, despite it being filed by Slovenian trade unions with support of more than 47.000 citizens. In a separate proposal, which in our opinion can't be viewed in isolation, the coalition proposes the abolition of a long-standing trade union fee deduction system, which we see as a direct assault on the trade unions and as a retaliatory measure by the new government.

The exclusion of social dialogue in matters that affect the lives of citizens in such large measure, and the pressure against trade unions, undermine the basic principles of solidarity and democracy, and we are saddened to see this happening in a country that we view as one of the most successful examples of detransitioning out of the former Yugoslavia. We are convinced that the rule of law, a strong sense of solidarity and a well-functioning social dialogue were among the most important factors that helped Slovenia to reach its present high level of the quality of life of its citizens, and believe the latest happenings are a step in the wrong direction.

We fully support the efforts of our Slovenian colleagues in demanding a referendum on the omnibus bill be taken. The people should have a voice when the basic state systems and societies values are being challenged in such a broad way. We are also joining in the call that the government pull back its proposal on abolishing the check-off system of trade union membership fees.

I submit this Statement as the chairman of RSS Solidarnost on behalf of and with the full consent of the following members of this Regional Trade Union Council:

Sincerely yours,

SSSH – Confederation of Free Trade Unions of Croatia,

SSRS - Confederation of Trade Unions of Republika Srpska

SSBH - Confederation of Trade Unions of Bosnia and Herzegovina

SSSS – Confederation of Free Trade Unions of Serbia

UGS – Nezavisnost, Serbia

KSS – Confederation of Free Trade Unions of Macedonia

SSM – Confederation of Trade Unions of Macedonia

USSCG – Union of Free Trade Unions of Montenegro

CTUM – Confederation of Trade Unions of Montenegro

In solidarity,

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Chairman of Solidarnost

General Secretary of the CTUM

