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Dear Members,

In view of the upcoming ILO European Regional Meeting to be held in Istanbul from 2 to 5 October 2017 and the position taken by both ITUC and ETUC to advise its members against attending the 10th ILO European Regional Meeting.

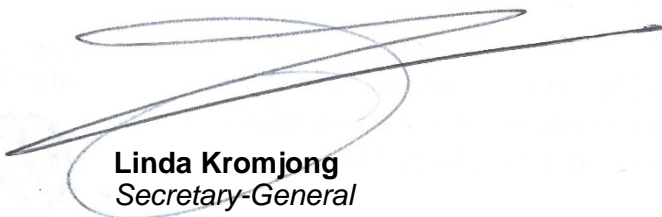
I have addressed Sharan Burrow, General Secretary of the ITUC, underlining the importance of full tri-partite attendance at the Regional Meeting in Istanbul. This letter to Sharan Burrow you find attached.

Workers organisations not attending or partly attending will be counterproductive and not lead to a meaningful dialogue and outcome of the European Regional Meeting.

We do not know if ultimately workers will be joining, but in any case, I would like to invite and strongly encourage IOE member federations to participate in this important meeting.

Additionally, I would like to encourage you to get in contact with your governments regarding this issue to ensure the participation of the highest-level representative from your government. It would be good to also appeal to your trade union colleagues to take part in the Regional Conference to ensure full social partner participation in this tripartite event.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Linda Kromjong
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