

For strengthening a global democratic trade union movement



## FNV SOLIDARITY FUND WHAT IS IT?



For FNV, international solidarity is of fundamental importance. Especially in a world that is ever more connected through neo-liberal globalization, there is a vital need for unions to work together globally to defend workers' rights. One of FNV's means to support the global trade union movement is through FNV's Solidarity fund. Its main goal is to financially support campaigns, actions and initiatives that contribute to democratic trade union building around the world.

## **GOALS OF THE FUND**

FNV Solidarity fund aims to support actions and strategies that contribute to building and strengthening an international independent, democratic and representative trade union movement. One that represent the interest of the working class in all its diversity, independent of the gender, sexual orientation, ethnic- and religious background of its members. It focusses on initiatives in those areas in the world where there are serious limitations to safeguarding workers- and trade union rights.

## WHAT KIND OF ACTIVITIES?

The fund finances a variety of activities including education, research, capacity building, organizing campaigns and global exchange activities. There is a special focus on activities that stimulate an active involvement of trade union members and activists. Ideality we can connect the initiatives to trade union struggles at the FNV.

For example through organizing across borders in multinational corporations, working on a common transnational campaign, or organizing educational exchanges on specific trade union strategies. As such activities where we mutually support eachother are also of interest to the fund.

## **HOW DOES IT WORK?**

FNV's Solidarity fund is managed by trade union representatives from the different FNV sectors and networks. With the support of the FNV advisor International Solidarity and Mondiaal FNV the sectoral and network representatives evaluate proposals to the fund. Through the connections in the sectors and networks also political support can be offered in certain campaigns when needed. For further information, or in case of interest in making an application to the fund, contact: marten.vandenberge@fnv.nl

