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Briefing paper #30

Domestic Workers: From Modern-Day Slavery to Equal Rights



Domestic work is work. All workers, irrespective of their origin or gender, are entitled to decent work, including fair wages, 8-hour standard working time, equal treatment with regard to social protection, social bargaining and dialogue.

SOLIDAR, together with our partners in the [Global Network](#), is actively campaigning for the rights of (migrant) domestic workers to be respected. A key element to making progress on this issue is to make sure that the ILO Convention on Domestic Workers, which is due to be put to the vote in the International Labour Conference taking place in June 2011, is adopted and implemented.

The Convention would recognise domestic work as regular work with the same rights for domestic workers as for other workers. Many domestic workers have joined national and regional trade unions and are mobilised in the global campaign for the adoption of this Convention.

Recommendations to Members of the European Parliament:

§ Support the EP resolution on the ILO Convention on Domestic Work.

Recommendations to National Governments Worldwide:

§ Recognise domestic work as formal work by giving equal rights to all (migrant) domestic workers.
§ Support the ratification of a strong ILO Convention on Decent Work for Domestic Workers
at the 100th International Labour Conference in June 2011.

Recommendations to the European Union:

§ Improve the coherence between immigration and labour policies to avoid that overly restrictive immigration regulations curtail equal treatment for migrant domestic workers and encourage informal work.

Read all the recommendations and the [full briefing](#)

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