



CALL FOR EUROPE WIDE ACTION WORLD DAY FOR DECENT WORK -07/10/2012

The repercussions of the crisis are catastrophic for young people: Finding a job is becoming almost impossible... and finding a good job is a stroke of luck. The quality of the contracts offered to young people provides no guarantee of a secure and stable position in the labour market, which strongly influences their personal and family lives.

The European Sunday Alliance therefore calls on all members and supporters to focus especially on youth unemployment on the occasion of the

WORLD DAY FOR DECENT WORK

7 October 2012

In 2008 the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) declared for the first time the 7th October as the World Day for Decent Work. This year the World Day for Decent Work will focus especially on **Youth Unemployment**. Countering youth unemployment is one of the main challenges for the European Union in the coming years. There is the danger of a 'lost generation': More than 20% of job seekers under 25 in the EU are unable to find a job. Youth unemployment rate is twice that of the total work force in the EU. In some Member States, youth unemployment is even higher than 40%.

For the European Sunday Alliance, decent work is also of paramount importance. We welcome and fully support this Initiative. We believe that all citizens of the European Union are entitled to benefit in particular from decent working hours that, as a matter of principle and according to the specific profession and the circumstances, should exclude working late evenings, nights, public holidays and week-ends.

Therefore, the Alliance calls on members, supporters and all citizens to make the WORLD DAY FOR DECENT WORK visible on 7 October 2012!

Demonstrations, flash-mob, conferences, panel discussions or any other innovative actions: help us make this European action day visible in your country in order to attract the attention of public opinion, decision-makers, employers and media! For more ideas on possible actions, please see for example the actions of the previous ESA campaign on a European Day for a work-free Sunday (<http://www.europeansundayalliance.eu/site/4marchcampaign>) or the WORLD DAY FOR DECENT WORK website <http://2012.wddw.org/>

Please let us know what you are planning and send us a photo or a video of your action. We will publish it on our website!