Take action on 16 June:

**International Domestic Workers Day!**

Keep up the pressure - urge your government to:

- Ratify C189
- Adopt labor law reforms

To secure rights and protections of domestic workers!

The ITUC Congress in Berlin, Germany (18-23 May 2014) re-confirmed its commitment to support domestic workers and continue as the **12+12** campaign aiming at:

- 12+12 ratifications and its effective implementation in law and practice,
- labor law reforms and
- organizing 100,000 more domestic workers

Your actions made a difference! Rights and protections improved for more than **10 million domestic workers** - since the adoption of ILO Convention 189 on 16 June 2011:

**14 countries ratified C189**: Argentina, Bolivia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Germany, Guyana, Italy, Mauritius, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Philippines, South Africa, Uruguay and Colombia.

Ratification number **15** and **16** are on their way: the Dominican Republic and Switzerland are in a process to register their ratifications at the ILO.

And a number of governments are expected to ratify this year: in Europe, Africa and Latin America

**3 new Collective Bargaining Agreements** in Uruguay, Italy and Brazil

**Labor law reforms in more than 12 countries**: Brazil, Argentina, 3 States of the US, Uruguay, Philippines, Venezuela, Chile, Vietnam, Thailand, Singapore, India and Spain and more

**Increase of minimum wages in 4 African countries**: Kenya, Tanzania, Malawi and Zambia.
Domestic workers Unite!

Since the IDWF founding Congress (October 2013, Montevideo, Uruguay) they unite domestic workers from 49 affiliates in 40 countries.

At the ITUC Congress in May 2014 (Berlin, Germany), the IDWF reported that 100,000 domestic workers joined a union in the past few years.

Domestic workers and their allies formed unions in 12 countries (Paraguay, Dominican Republic, Brazil, Guatemala, Costa Rica, Sri Lanka, Colombia, Egypt, India, Angola, Argentina and Pakistan).

Post your actions, news and photo’s on ‘12 > 12’ Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/231305920281513/ or send it to equality@ituc-csi.org.

ITUC’s 12 + 12 campaign webpage: http://www.ituc-csi.org/domestic-workers-12-by-12
12 > 12 Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/groups/231305920281513/
ITUC Congress – Domestic Workers video: http://www.equaltimes.org/day-four-domestic-workers-2014#.U5g91iidSsY
Domestic Workers organizing in the Dominican Republic: http://congress2014.ituc-csi.org/domestic-workers-organising-in-the

IDWF: http://idwfed.org/c189_news.php
IDWF logo’s for 16 June:
http://idwfed.org/publish.php?id=69
Myrtle Witbooi, President of the IDWF: on how to better protect domestic workers:
http://idwfed.org/activity.php?id=63 and at the Labour Start Conference plenary on “How do we build power at the global workplace?”

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