



PSI YOUNG WORKERS

Regional priorities, global challenges and the way forward



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ASIA PACIFIC YOUTH NETWORK

- The PSI Asia Pacific Youth Network (APYN) is well organised
- Individual countries are represented and their local youth networks plug in and share information and ideas.
- Newsletter “Youth to Youth”
- APYN has published an E-Book with essays from our members on youth issues. Some of these essays have been picked up and published in other languages and countries.
- Training and workshops: Over the past few years there have been PSI run sub-regional youth workshops
- APRECON 2011 had a strong youth presence, presentations and facilitation of workshops

PRIORITIES APYN

- Regional Capacity building leadership
- Identification of future PSI leaders: we need to look for younger leaders which is challenging in the current labour market as youth are missing out on public sector employment in many countries, or being employed on contracts only.
- 30% quota for under 35 involvement in PSI activities
- APYN also will assist on the formation of a non constitutional World Youth Network aimed at info sharing and electronic activism.
- International Youth Day



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INTER-AMERICAS



INTER-AMERICAN YOUTH NETWORK

- Youth committees created throughout the region
- Affiliation campaigns in Columbia, Peru, Venezuela
- Precarious work / QPS / Privatization (Caribbean)
- Active solidarity (Haiti, Mozambique)
- International Youth Day
- Annual meetings (Central America)
- Leadership, involvement in trade unions, rights, quality public services, decent work (Southern Cone)
- Trade Union Rights, Equal Opportunity, Campaign on Decent Work and Unionization (Brazil)
- E-mailing list / theater (Peru) / Social networks

THE WAY FORWARD

PARTICIPATION

- Ensure 30% youth participation in all PSI activities
- Mainstreaming youth in all PSI sectors
- PSI Global Youth day 12 August
- Develop a proposal for a youth network built on current local and regional networks and integrated into sectors in 2013/2014
- Organize a PSI Youth Conference in 2014/2015

PRIORITY THEMES

- First Job and precarious work, youth employment and migration, contracts in public sector
- Youth trade union leadership and organizing young workers
- Develop projects for young workers (regional/sub-regional/global)



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THE WAY FORWARD

COMMUNICATION

- PSI Young workers blog and Facebook page
- Provide training on internet and social networking
- Improve exchange of best practices
- Gather data, mapping youth membership, activist and leadership profiles in our affiliates and their employment patterns in the public sector workforce in 2013/2014

COOPERATION

- Develop stronger cooperation with other Youth networks outside PSI
- Widen cooperation with ILO and other UN agencies on youth issues