



TITLE OF THE RESOLUTION: 16. Global Activist Academy

SUBMITTED BY: FNV, Netherlands, Unite - United Kingdom, SGIP - Republic of Macedonia, SGH - Croatia.

Recognising that Trade Unions must become stronger and generate more members! It is clear how we see our future. Strong trade unions with a lot of members. However, this takes effort. It is important that we train strong leaders/activists.

Recognising that the knowledge and experience of affiliates must be bundled and transferred, and in order to combat the repression of trade unions worldwide, we advise that BWI establishes a **Global Activists Academy**.

We therefore recommend to Congress:

The creation of a ***BWI Global Activists Academy which***, along with ***BWI Global Organizing Academy***, will assist in the education and training of activists from affiliated unions.

The structure, training programs and operational framework of the academy will be determined by the BWI World Council and the Global Youth Committee. This should be incorporated into the BWI Action Plan, and the BWI should seek the necessary finances and resources to achieve the desired outcomes. Upon completion of the training programmes, the activists will become part of the Global Activist Network and continue to assist the academy at all levels of BWI.

It will aim to provide tools for youth networking; implementing innovating trade unionism trainings concentrating on recruiting new members; and organizing young workers to solve fundamental problem at work. It will actively encourage the development of young and women activists and to this end will engage the relevant BWI Committees. To achieve the desired outcomes practical and tangible support from affiliates will need to be forthcoming.

We ask you to support this initiative by adopting this resolution.

SIGNATURE:

The above resolution was endorsed by BWI Congress in Durban South Africa.