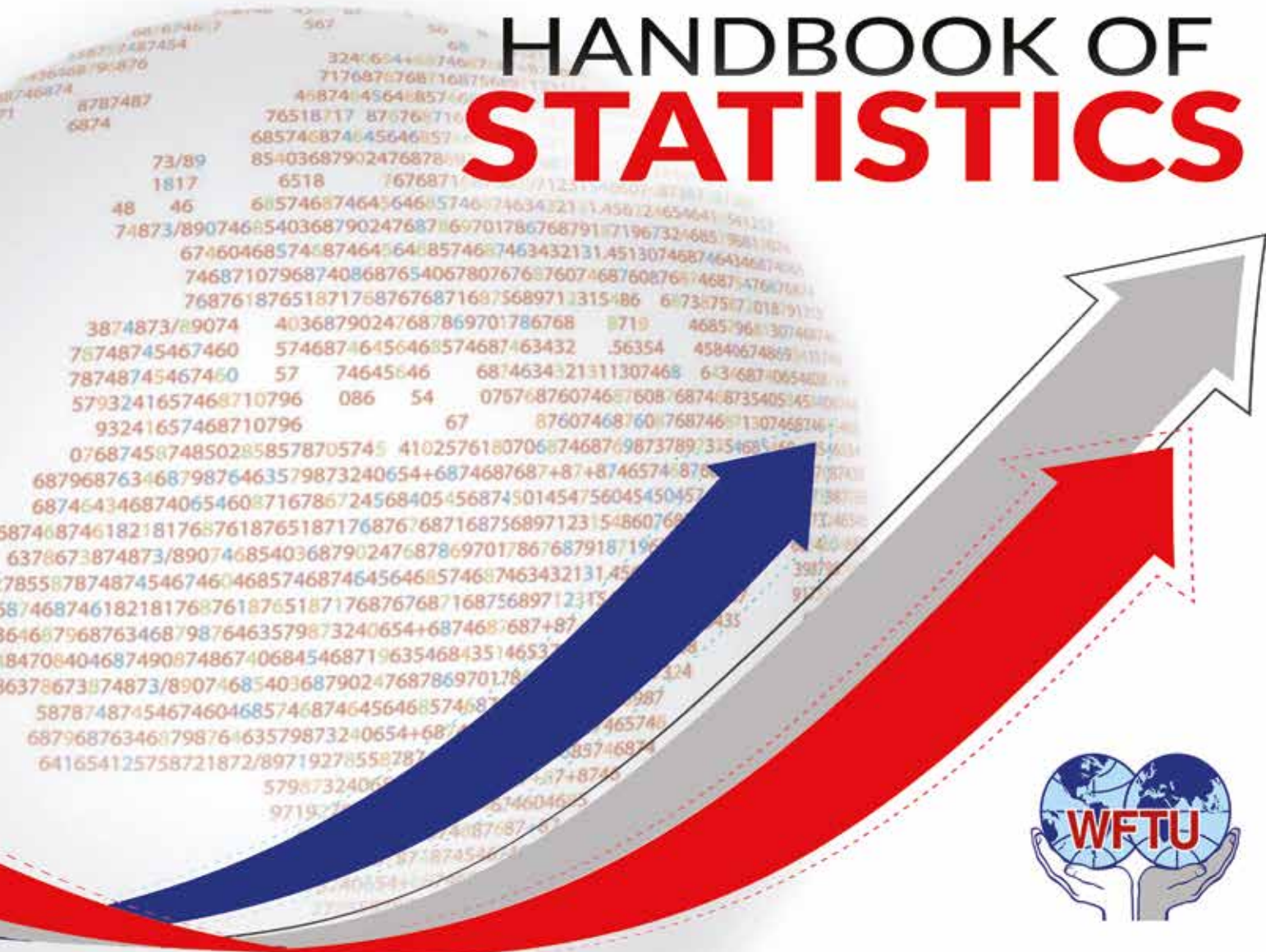


World Federation of Trade Unions

# The Great Leap 2005 2022

## HANDBOOK OF STATISTICS







Havana, Cuba 2005



# Preface

From 1991 to 2005 the WFTU found itself in very difficult conditions. It lost a lot of its forces. Its buildings and assets were stolen or “confiscated”. It found itself isolated after fixed judgments by the courts of the Czech Republic. Its glorious history and its great contribution were being slandered. So in December 2005 we received a WFTU that was slandered, isolated, with a big financial debt, Offices outside the city of Prague in a private house in the middle of a field; with an old (70 years old average) and bureaucratic staff with no belief in the struggle and with no visions. Many WFTU members were hiding their affiliation to WFTU etc.

From 2005 until today we collectively made a big leap towards the strengthening of the WFTU which regained its dignity, pride and ideological superiority.

Today all members are excited with this new course and they trust and recognize the collective bodies of the Organization, the Presidential Council and the Secretariat.

Our cadres from the base to the leadership in their large majority gave their best for this upward course. The role of the young staff (37 years old average) that work until today with faith in the struggle and have the assistance of the workers as their vision is also important.

In the following pages you will find the proofs that confirm this leap of progress and what follows is only a small sample of evidence.

“

The unity of the working class is a strategic option. We seek to unite all employees, regardless of their gender, language, religion, skin color or political beliefs...

We want unitary struggles that not only improve the lives of the workers, but also that do not numb their consciences within the framework of the exploitative system. For that reason, a skill in unity strategy is required, so that the practices of the reformists do not capture us...

We have to be firm when it comes to promoting class unity. The unity with class content has to pave the way towards the emancipation of the workers ”

WFTU General Secretary  
15th World Trade Union Congress  
Havana, Cuba 2005

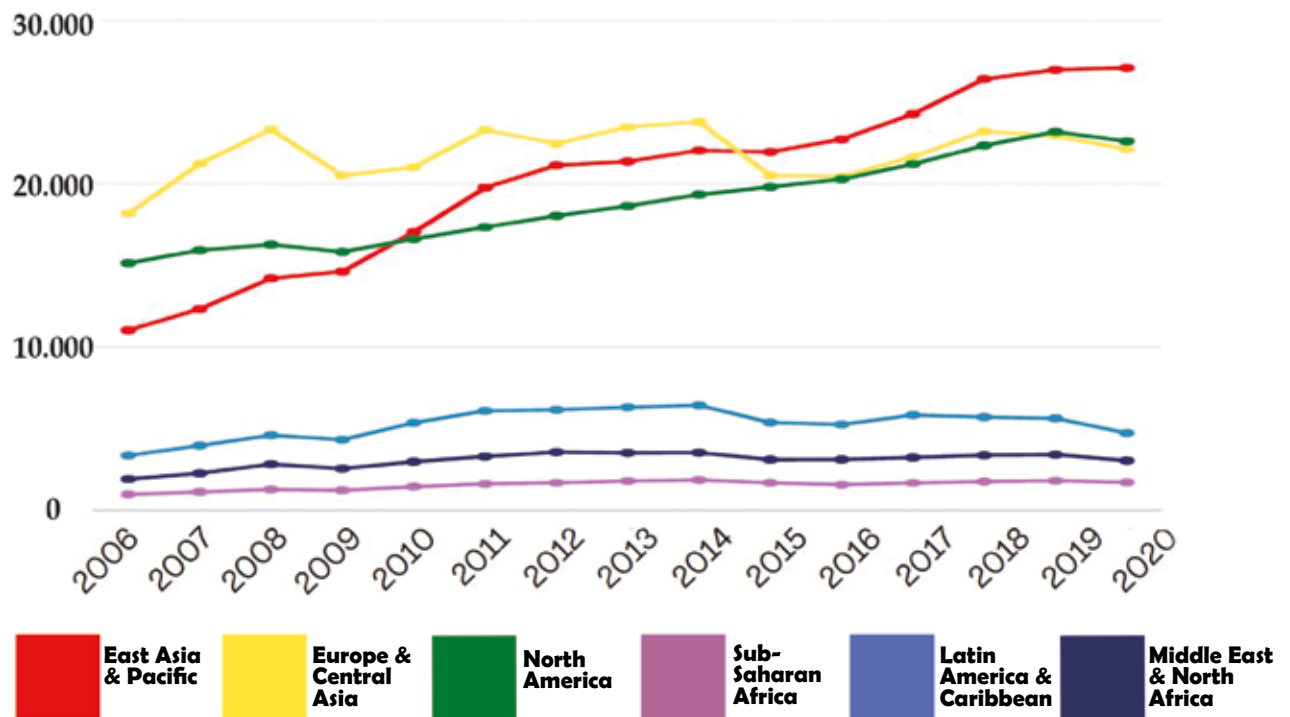
# The World over

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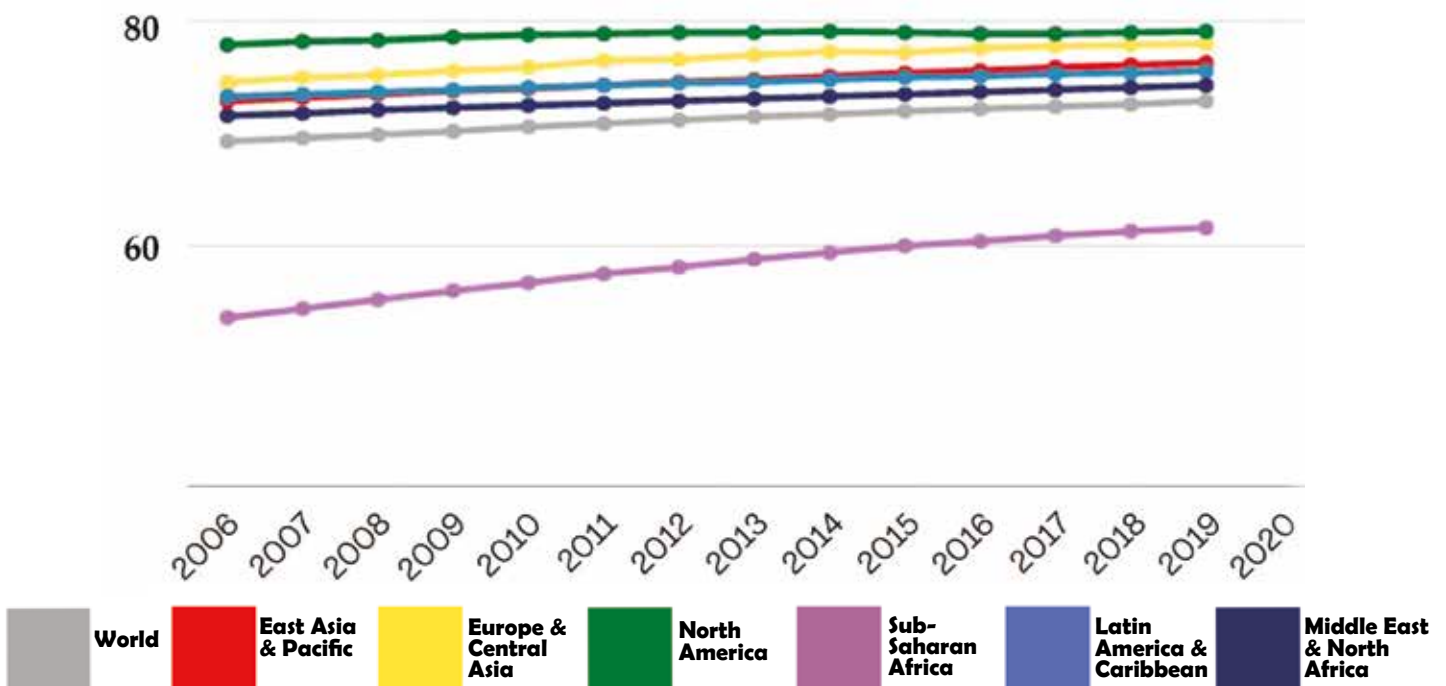
Two wars in Europe, in Yugoslavia and in Ukraine.

Imperialist interventions in Iraq, Afghanistan, Syria, Mali, Libya, Yemen, Azerbaijan and Armenia.

Gross Domestic Product (GDP 2006-2020 current billion US\$)



Life expectancy at birth (years)



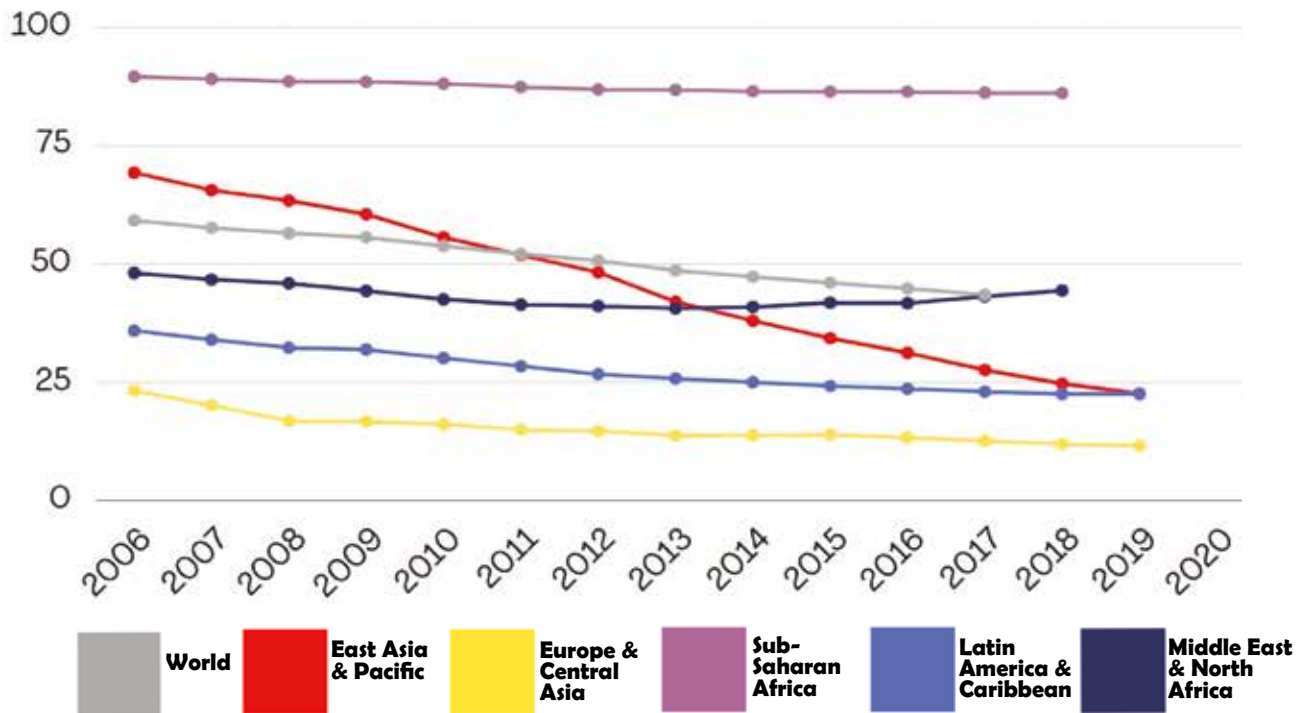


# the last 20 years\*

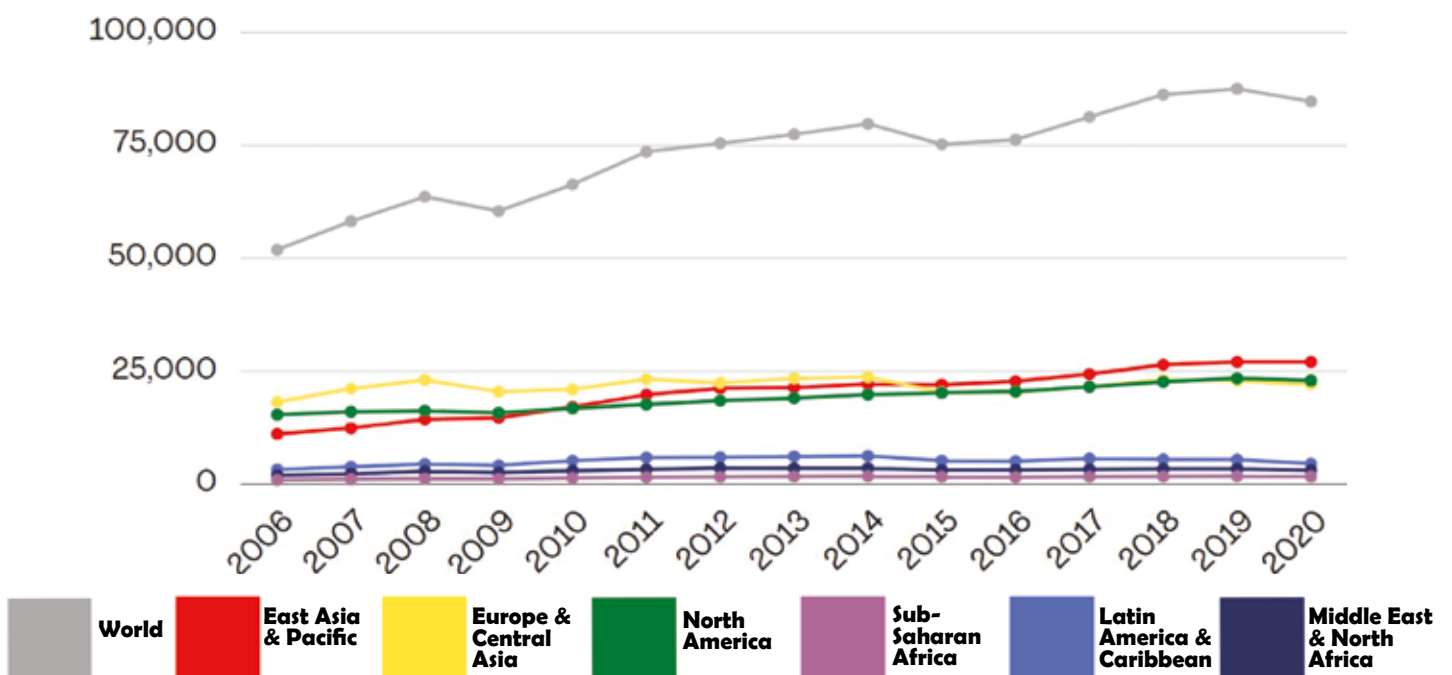
The coronavirus pandemic, the economic crisis of capitalism and the climate crisis have affected developments at all levels. Primarily in economy; after all, economy is the basis of politics.

So, we moved and acted under these objective conditions:

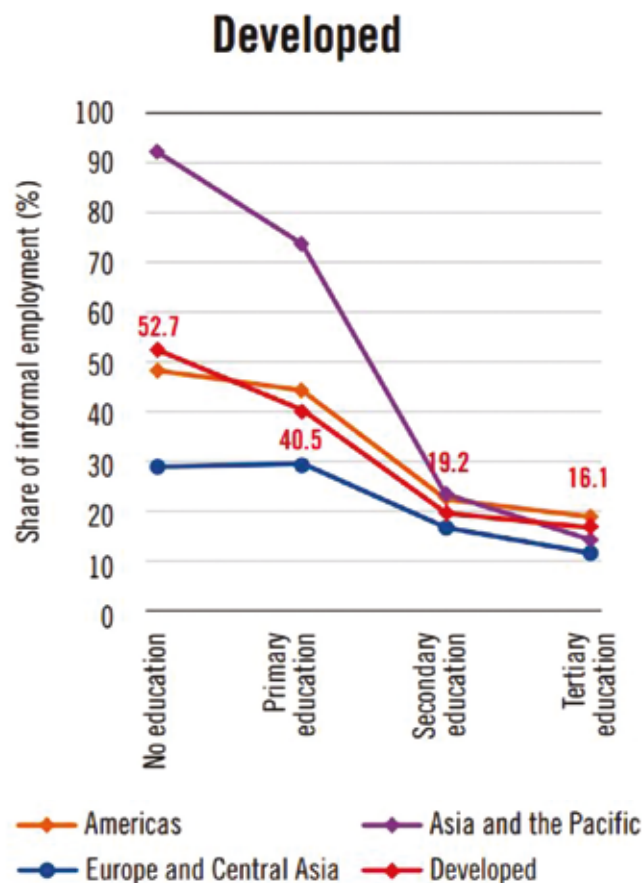
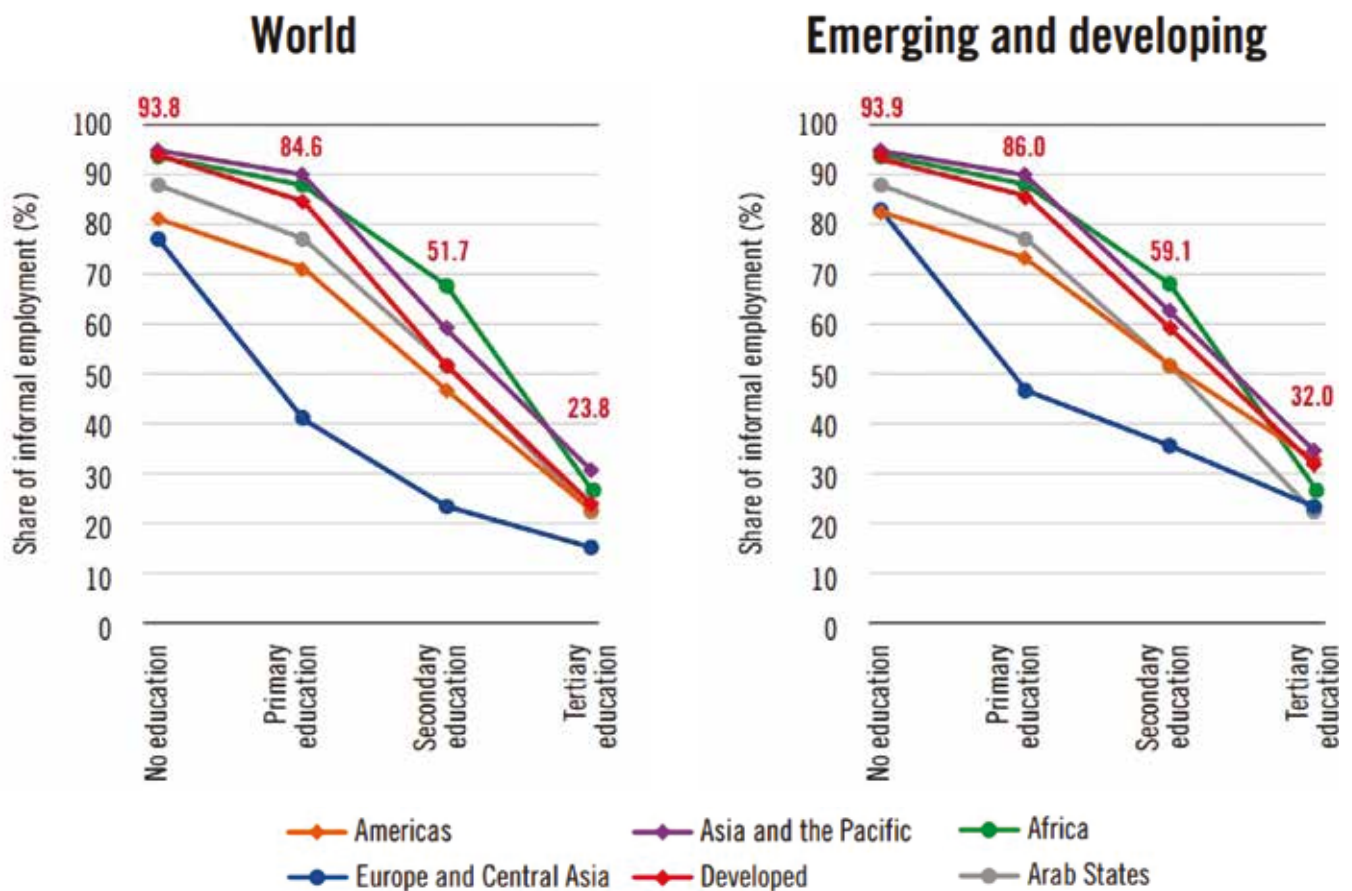
Poverty headcount ratio at \$5.50 a day (2011 PPP) (% of population)



External Debt - GNI (current billion US\$)

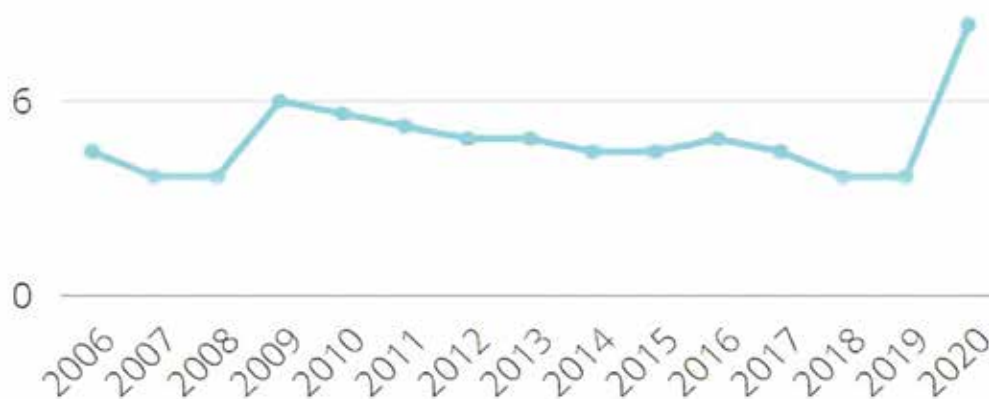


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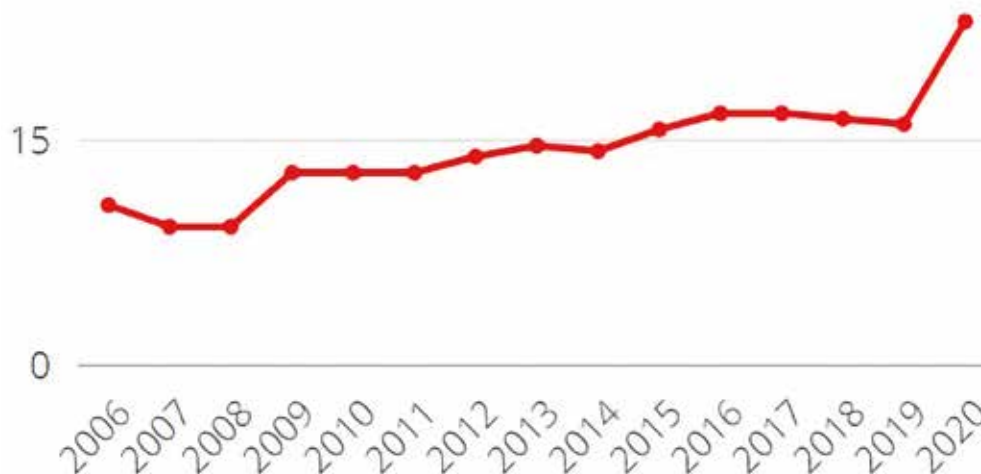


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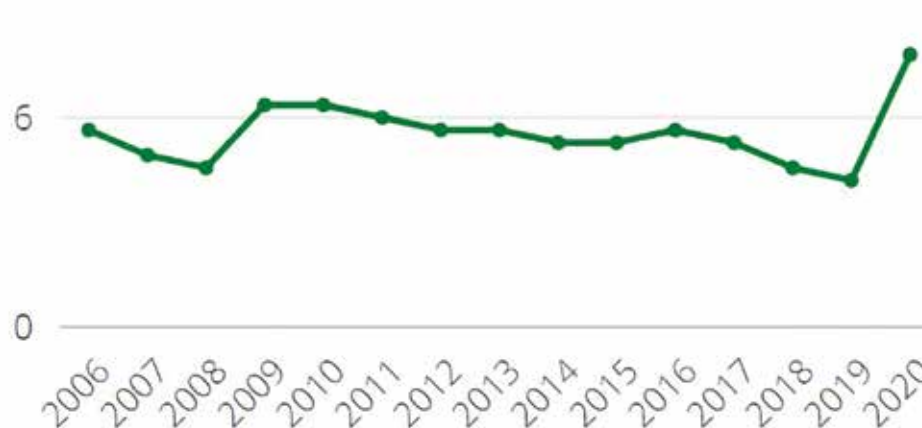
World Unemployment  
(% of total labour force - modeled ILO estimate)



World Unemployment Youth  
(% of total labour force ages 15-24 - modeled ILO estimate)



World Female Unemployment  
(% of female labour force - modeled ILO estimate)



# WFTU statistics between

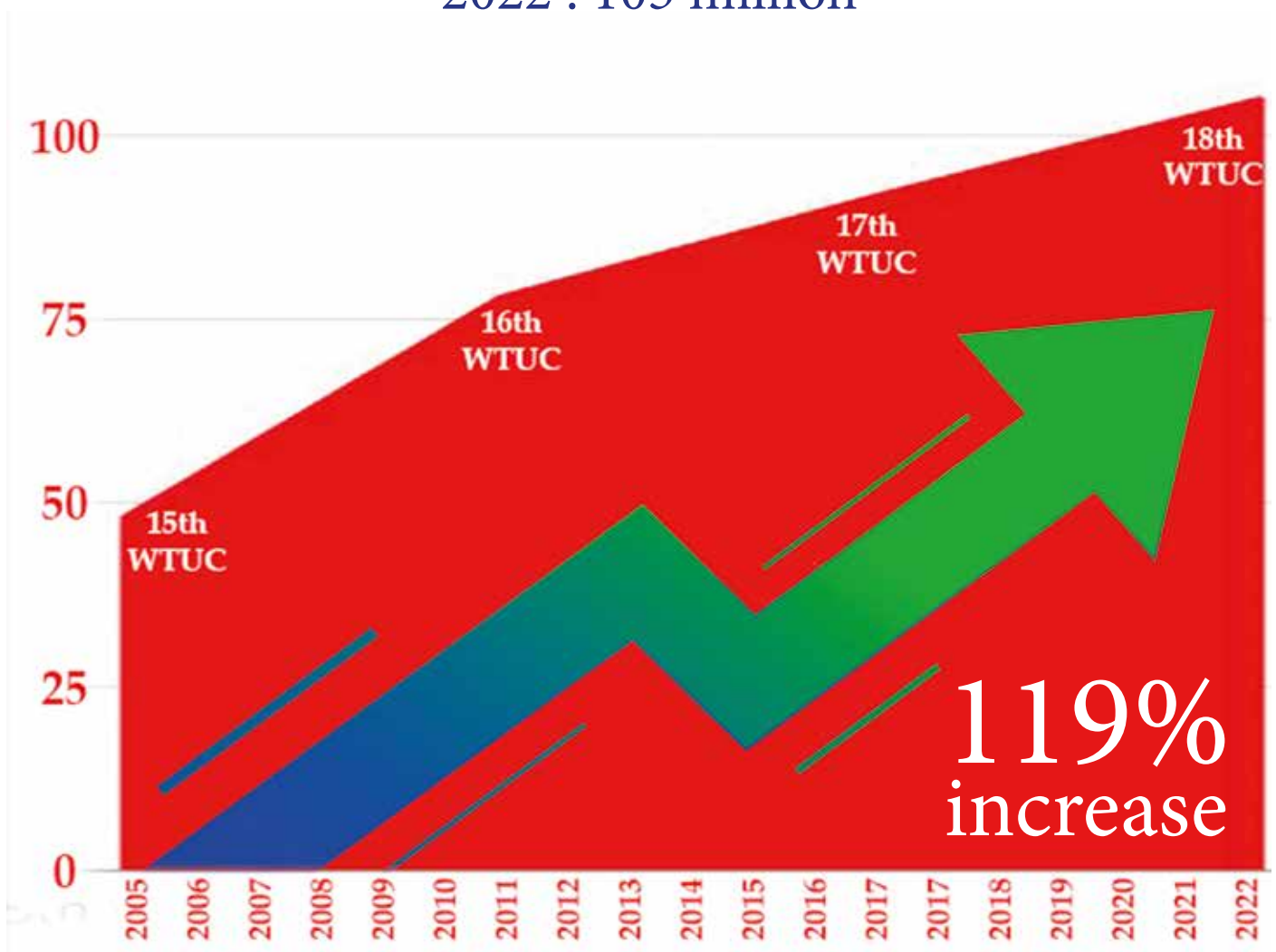
The massification of the WFTU ranks underlines the upward course of this whole period. Unions, whether new or old, met with our large militant family.

The increase in numbers proves that the class and internationalist line of the WFTU expresses the workers and the unions.

## WFTU membership

2005 : 48 million

2022 : 105 million





# World Trade Union Congresses

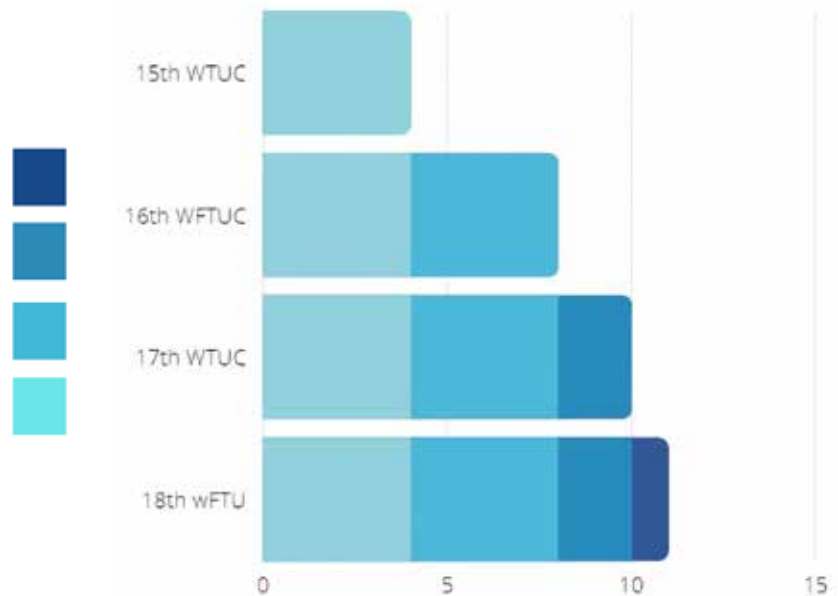
As the struggles, the morale and the demands of the workers rise, as the class characteristics of the movement deepen, the WFTU will become even stronger.

A strong world working class means a strong WFTU and vice versa.

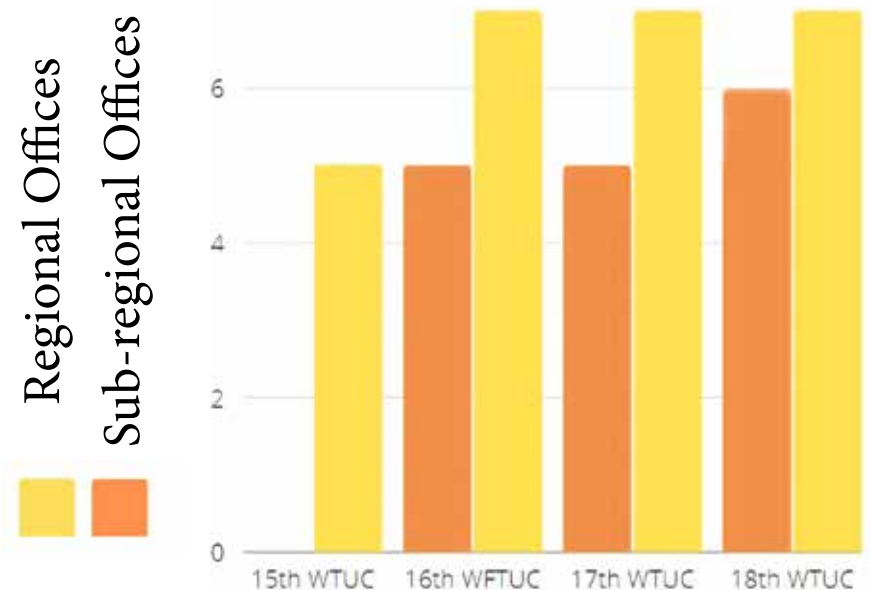
The leap from 50 to 105 million members is not just a quantitative figure.

It is a quality leap and puts us all in front of increased duties and responsibilities.

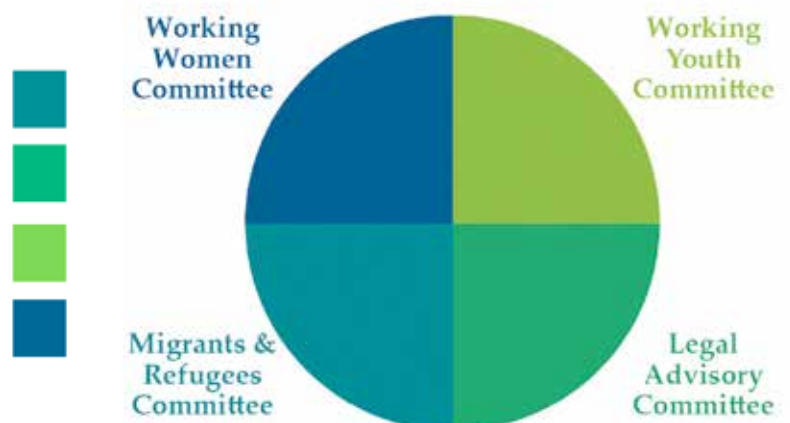
Trade Union International-TUI's



Regional Offices  
Sub-regional Offices



Special Committees



# 3 October (2006-2021)

The **WFTU days of action** have now become an institution. Since they started and every year, we have raised current and critical issues collectively and with class unity, highlighting that only the class unity is the one that brings results for the workers. The majority of our members - within their countries - organize demonstrations, protests, important activities. These militant initiatives underline the stable orientation of the WFTU in militant action! Action! Action and action all over! Action within our countries, within our branches, raising the banners of the WFTU (see below selected photos).

The **struggle for democratic-union freedoms and rights** played a central role in every class-oriented mobilization of the WFTU: for the protection of the right to strike, for democracy inside the unions, for the protection of the fighters of the popular movement. The struggle of the WFTU continued even in the adverse conditions of the coronavirus pandemic and



2009 NEPAL



2009 PERU



2011 FRANCE



2011 PANAMA



2013 GUATEMALA



2013 PALESTINE



# WFTU Foundation Day

the capitalist crisis, at a time when the capitalist states were utilizing new technologies and forms of labor (teleworking, etc.) to increase the exploitation of the working class, to intensify repression and monitoring the popular movement, to abolish historical achievements of our class.

The **WFTU internationalism** became a reality with the containers of solidarity sent to the peoples suffering from imperialism (Iraq, Libya, Palestine, etc.), with the great international strike against the apartheid of the state of Israel, with our consistent struggle for the liberation of the 5 Cuban heroes, with our relentless struggle to write off the debt of African countries. We rejected the slanders of the yellow trade union leaderships and exposed their role as a servant of the imperialists. This action annoyed the imperialists who did not even hesitate to ban the entry of the Secretary General of the WFTU in the USA!



2010 GALICIA



2010 INDIA



2012 CHILE



2012 GREECE



2014 MEXICO



2014 RD Congo





2015 BRAZIL (70 YEARS)



2015 BRAZIL (70 YEARS)



2017 BANGLADESH



2017 RUSSIA



2018 INDIA



2018 SOUTH AFRICA



2020 PHILIPPINES



2020 USA





2016 SOUTH AFRICA - 17<sup>th</sup> Congress



2019 ALBANIA



2019 PANAMERICAN MEETING



2021 CYPRUS



2021 TURKEY



# Annual WFTU PC meetings

The WFTU Presidential Council met continuously, with a quorum each year, planning the action of the WFTU on the basis of its Congresses' decisions. Even within the confines of the pandemic, the WFTU leadership took advantage of new technologies, maintaining its collectivity and having direct contact with the WFTU affiliates around the world.



**2006: Belgium, Brussels 20-21 December**



**2007: Geneva, Switzerland, 11 June**



**2008: Sudan Khartoum, 14-15 January**



**2009: Nicosia, Cyprus 8-9 March**



**2010: Ho Chi Minh Vietnam 22-23 February**



**2011: Athens Greece, 6-10 April**



**2012: Johannesburg, South Africa 9-10 February**



**2013: Lima, Peru, 6-8 March**





**2014: Rome Italy, 14-15 February**



**2015: Geneva Switzerland, 6-7 June**



**2016: Hanoi Vietnam, 5-6 March**



**2017: La Havana Cuba, 3-4 May**



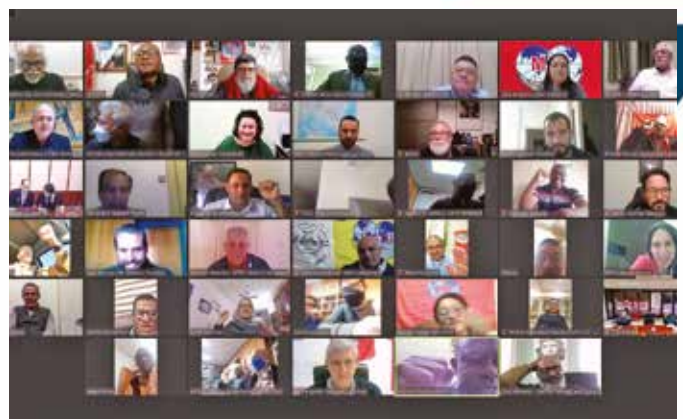
**2018: Tehran Iran, 26-27 February**



**2019: Athens Greece, 3-4 April**



**2020: Virtual, 15-16 December**



**2022: Virtual, 1-2 February**



# Meetings of the WFTU General with leaders of States



Cuba - Raúl Castro Ruz



Cuba - Raúl Castro Ruz



Palestine - Yasser Arafat



Palestine



Palestine - Yasser Arafat  
George Mavrikos as WFTU Vice President



With the PM of Lebanon



Bolivia- Evo Morales Ayma



Syria -Bashar al-Assad



With the President of Nepal



Cyprus - D. Christofias

# Secretary George Mavrikos and Governments



China - Xi Jinping



Vietnam



Venezuela - N. Maduro



Hugo Chávez Frías



Vietnam



Venezuela - H. Chávez, N. Maduro



South Africa - Jacob Zuma



Greece - Prokopis Pavlopoulos

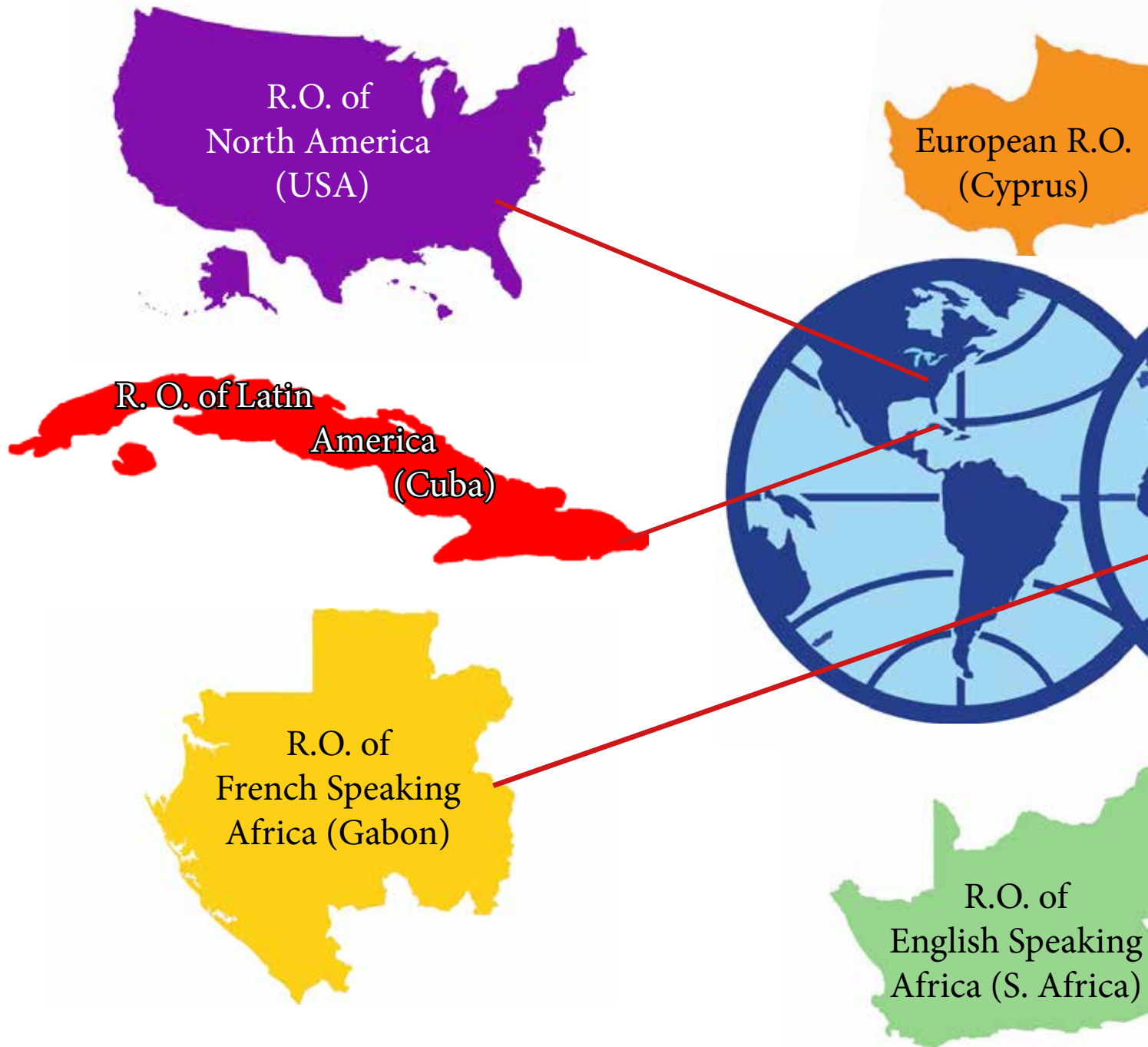


Greece - Karolos Papoulias



# WFTU Regional &

The role of the **WFTU Regional and Sub-regional Offices** is crucial. They coordinate, inform and guide WFTU members and friends.



S-R. O. of MesoAmerica (Costa Rica)



S-R. O. of CONOSUR (Argentina)



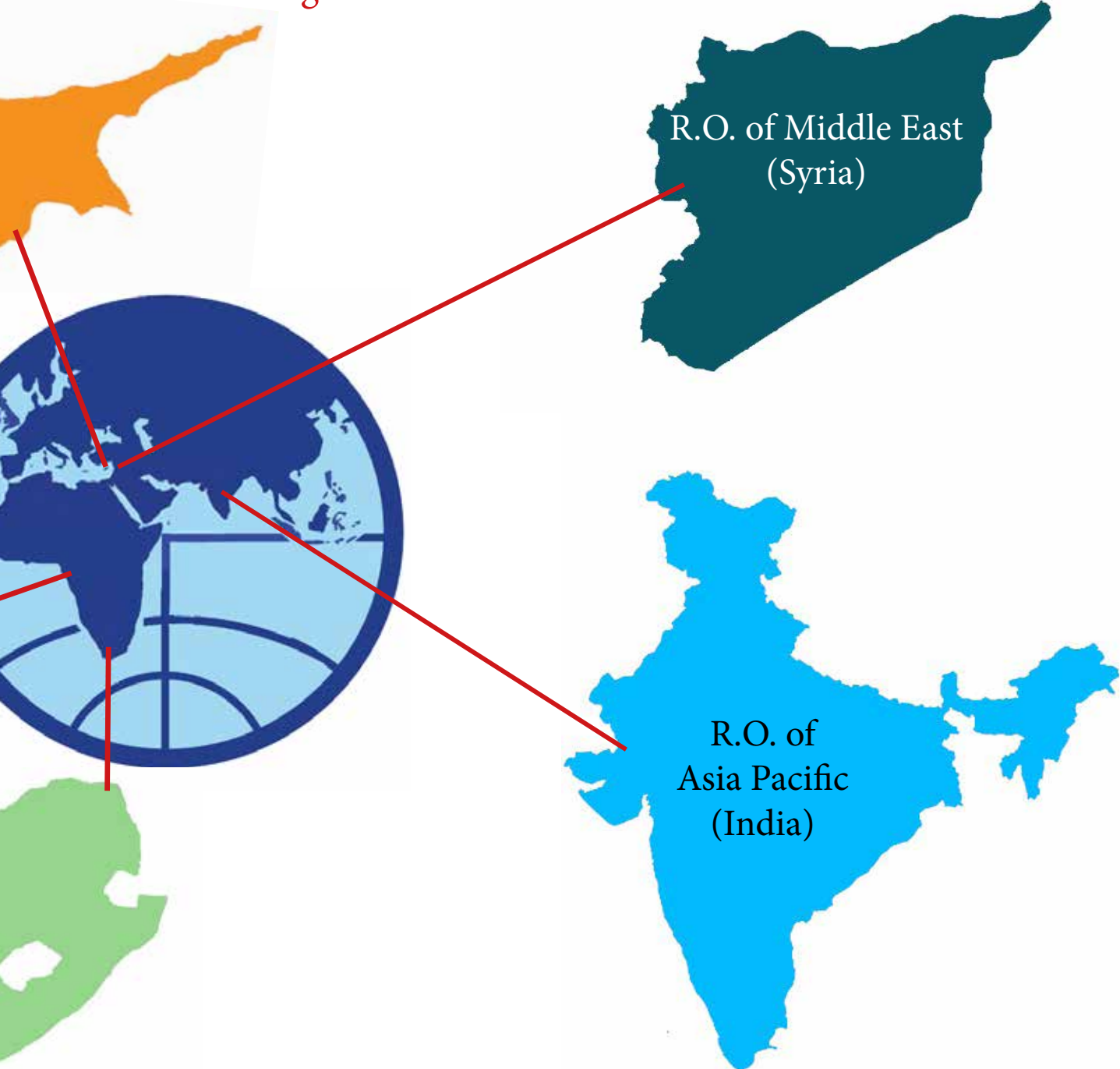
S-R. O. of Africa (Egypt)



S-R. O. of Middle East

# Sub-regional Offices

Regional and Sub-regional offices are the eyes of the WFTU in every corner of the globe.



## Regional Offices

2005: 15th WTUC	5
2022: 18th WTUC	7

## Subregional Offices

2005: 15th WTUC	0
2022: 18th WTUC	6

# WFTU Sectoral

The **sectoral organizations**, the **WFTU TUIs** are the heart of our trade union organization.

Within sectors of strategic importance, within the workplace, in direct contact with the base and the workers, they support and connect the leadership of the WFTU with the workplaces.



WFTU Trade Union International (TUIs)	15 <sup>th</sup> WTUC 2005 - 4 TUIs	16 <sup>th</sup> WTUC 2011 - 8 TUIs	17 <sup>th</sup> WTUC 2016 - 10 TUIs	18 <sup>th</sup> WTUC 2022 - 11 TUIs
1. UISTA ACT (France)	✓	✓	✓	✓
2. FISE (Mexico)	✓	✓	✓	✓
3. UITBB (Cyprus)	✓	✓	✓	✓
4. PS (South Africa)	✓	✓	✓	✓
5. MMM (Brazil)		✓	✓	✓
6. Transport (Turkey)		✓	✓	✓
7. BIFU (India)		✓	✓	✓
8. HOTOIR (Egypt)		✓	✓	✓
9. P&R (Spanish State)			✓	✓
10. Ch.&Energy (France)			✓	✓
11. TEXGAL (Egypt)				✓



# Unions (TUIs)



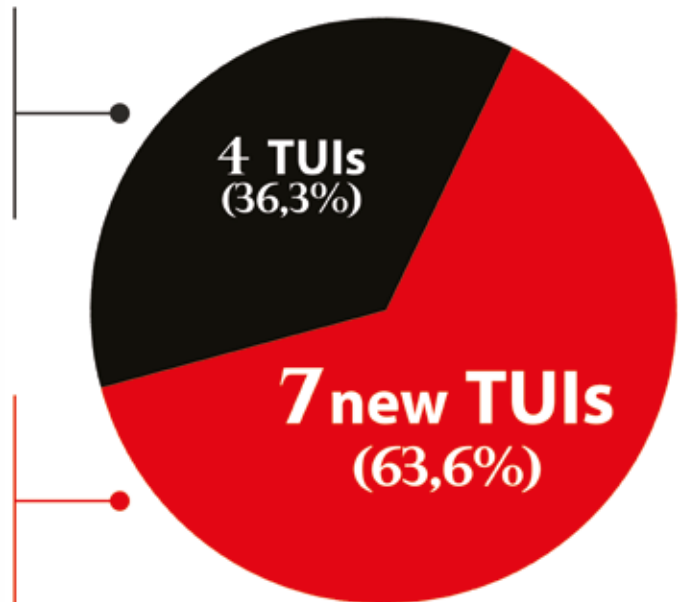
In 2005 there were 4 TUIs under the WFTU umbrella.

These 4 TUIs constitutes 36,3% of the WFTU TUIs that operates today.



Today 11 TUIs operate in the 5 continents covering all the major sectors.

The 7 TUIs founded after the 15th WTUC amount to 63,6% of the existing TUIs.



**Total: 11**



# Action of the



Working  
Women  
Committee



Migrants &  
Refugees  
Committee

Four Auxiliary WFTU Committees were founded and established for Immigrants, Working Women, Working Youth as well as Legal Support of Trade Unions.





# Special Committees



Working  
Youth  
Committee

Legal  
Advisory  
Committee

The Committees were staffed with young cadres and are an important tool for every small or big struggle of the WFTU, inside and outside the International Organizations.





# WFTU & International Organisations



Permanent representation in International Organizations  
UN-New York, ILO-Geneva, UNESCO-Paris, FAO-Rome

The WFTU has actively participated in every International Organization in which it holds a permanent representation.

However, the WFTU had no illusions about the role of the International Organizations and the limited scope of action they offer; It did not bow down to them, did not cultivate illusions, warned the workers about what International Law means and who is in charge of international organizations. We denounced and exposed the discrimination within the ILO, we fought against the monopoly of the yellow trade unionism.

Our Committees were renewed with young and fighting cadres, militants from all continents, from the class-oriented movements of their countries. They carried out the call of the WFTU that shook the workers' mobilizations all over the world: No one must feel alone in his/her struggles!









# WFTU Monuments

The WFTU monuments erected in the period 2005-2022 in Kaisariani (Athens, Greece) and in Durban (South Africa) keep alive the memory and the contribution of the international class trade union movement for the next generations. The same purpose was served by the WFTU events on history issues, the open competitions for writing books and drawing posters, the publications for important and historical union figures, organized by the WFTU.



WFTU GS, George Mavrikos









# The WFTU: always in the

The consistent anti-capitalist stance of the WFTU has always angered its enemies: the imperialists, the reactionary governments and the bosses; that's why since its foundation and many times throughout its history, it has been targeted by the enemies of the working class and of its lackeys.

- During the first decades of its existence: it was persecuted in 1949 by the French government and expelled from its offices in Paris at the behest of the imperialist hawks. The same operation was repeated in Vienna in 1953, at the second WFTU headquarters, when the Austrian police raided the WFTU offices and confiscated part of its archive. The same thing happened after the tragic events of the counter-revolution in the Czech Republic, in 1991, when the Czech neo-capitalists seized the WFTU offices, expelled our organization and dragged it to courts.
- Since 2005, in each country imperialism has been following different methods of intimidation and repression to prevent the action of the WFTU:
- In Colombia, state and paramilitary groups killed dozens of militants and class trade unionists; Furthermore, every time WFTU representatives visited the country, authorities monitored, terrorized and harassed trade unionists; they even planted a bomb outside the area where the WFTU leadership was meeting with lawyers and social organizations against the murders!
- The USA has persecuted trade union forces which are WFTU affiliates; moreover, the country's reformist trade union leaders have fined WFTU US affiliates for their internationalist solidarity with class unions, and the government has even banned the entry of the WFTU General Secretary, George Mavrikos, into the country!
- Israel has repeatedly obstructed the free trade union activity of the WFTU in retaliation for our organization's consistent stand on the side of the Palestinian people: it imposed travel restrictions, carried out humiliating controls and even arrested and deported Alexandra Liberi, a cadre of the WFTU Head Office !

Official Website of the Department of Homeland Security  
U.S. Customs and Border Protection  
ESTA Electronic System for Travel Authorization

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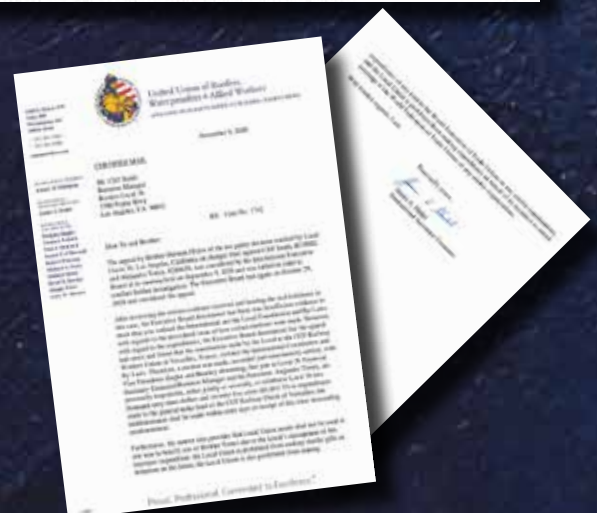
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2015 - Protest at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Greece after the Israeli persecutions against the WFTU





# crosshairs of imperialism

- In Denmark, the state in cooperation with the Danish yellow trade union leaders threatened the WFTU cadre Emil Olsen; they tried to force him to resign after their attempt to bribe him in order to renounce the WFTU failed. "You either leave the WFTU or get fired" were the words of the capitalists ... The result: The whole family was fired !



2014 - Meeting with political prisoners inside a prison in Asunción, Paraguay

- In Paraguay, WFTU militant Ruben Villalba was jailed after the state-sponsored massacre in Curuguaty for daring to claim land for the landless.



2022 - The raid of Carabinieri in USB Offices in Rome, Italy

- In Italy, on the eve of the 18th WFTU Congress, the pro-war and anti-labour Italian government set up provocations against the USB, a WFTU affiliate, raided its offices and fabricated charges against it.

At the opposite end are the yellow trade union leaders who have always enjoyed and continue to enjoy the favour, support and understanding of the capitalists and their governments



ITUC Deputy General Secretary, Mamadou Diallo, rings the NASDAQ bell



ITUC General Secretary, Sharan Burrow, with IMF Managing Director Christine Lagarde



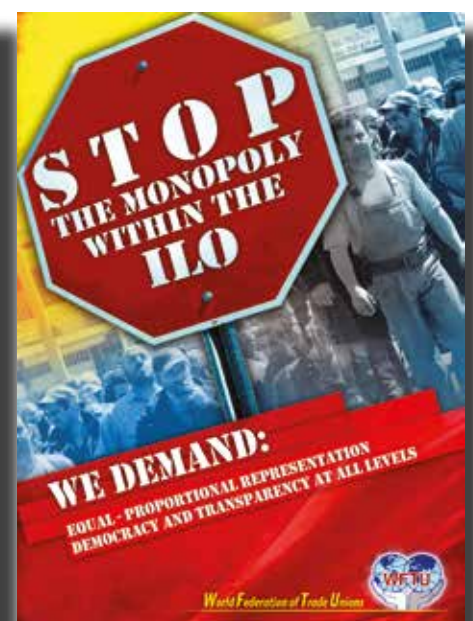
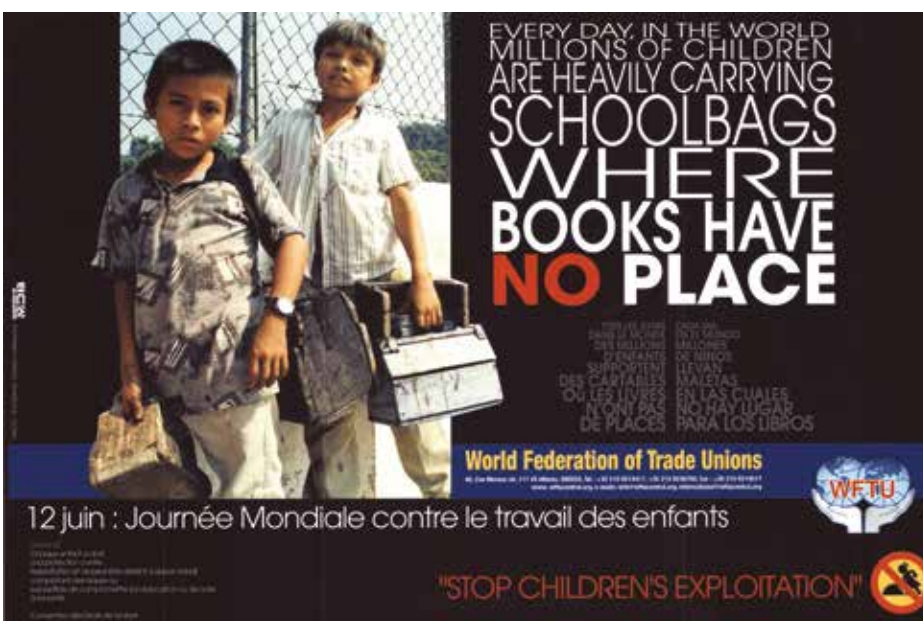
ITUC General Secretary, Sharan Burrow, is a member of the DANONE multinational Mission Committee



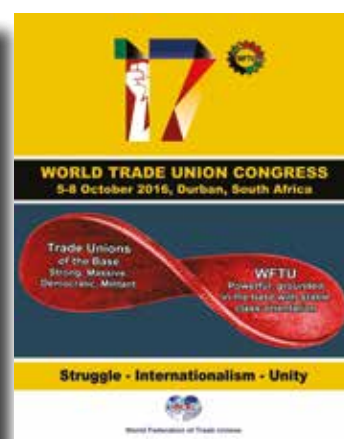
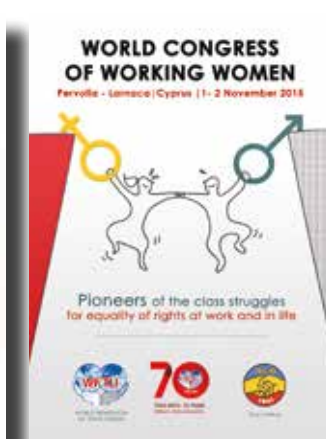
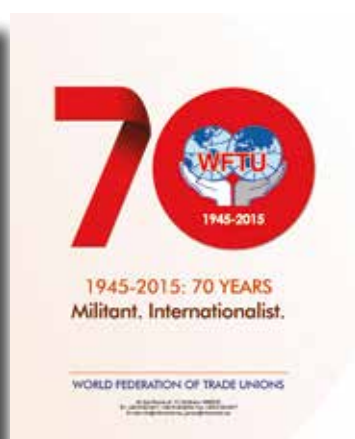
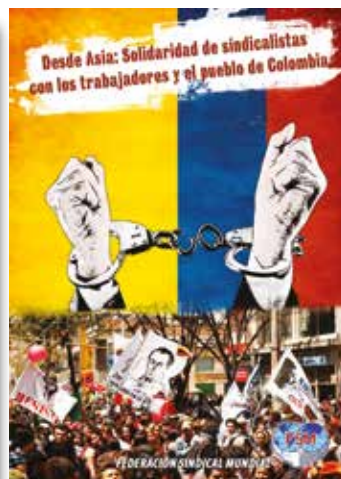
# WFTU Press

The WFTU never ceased its **activity of information** and sensitization of the working class during its upward course. It published more than 200 posters, organized solidarity campaigns, edited dozens of books on all burning issues for the world working class, launched book contests on the history of the international trade union movement in which militants from all over the world were awarded.

The WFTU did not stop promoting issues of **culture of the working class**. We highlighted the importance of preserving the mother tongues, supported the workers' artistic creation, promoted the great intellectual creations of art for social liberation.

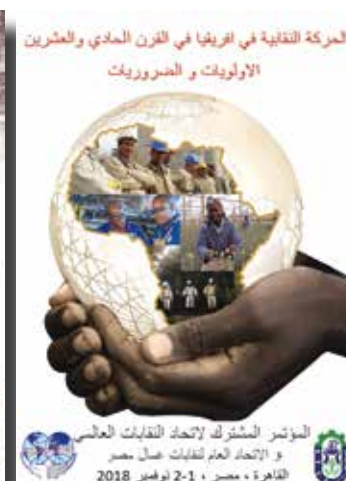






# We struggle against the Imperialist Interventions and Violence in Yemen

22th January 2018 Athens, Greece





# WFTU History

The WFTU, through its action, chose to inspire every new trade unionist by showing him/her that we are proud of our past. WE DO NOT FORGET the martyrs of our class, WE DO NOT FORGIVE the capitalists and their crimes.

The **study and highlighting of history**, of the past of the class trade union struggles played an important role throughout the action of the WFTU in the previous period. The slogan **“History is an open window to the present and the future”** set the tone against the falsification of history by the imperialists, while drawing useful and up-to-date lessons for today.

We also fought for the **preservation and rescue of the historical archive of the WFTU** in order to become a tool for every young fighter.



Paris, October 3, 1945. The World Trade Union Conference decides to constitute itself as the 1st World Trade Union Congress. The World Federation of Trade Unions was born.



Giuseppe Di Vittorio - WFTU President (1948-1957)



Even the “Cosmic Kite”, Diego Armando Maradona, supported the WFTU (here with the general secretary of the WFTU, George Mavrikos, at the funeral honors of Fidel Castro, Cuba, 2016)



2017 - The WFTU General Secretary, George Mavrikos meets with the former WFTU General Secretary (1969-1978), Pierre Gensous



**Ibrahim Zakaria**  
WFTU General Secretary (1982-1990)



**Louis Saillant**  
WFTU General Secretary (1945-1968)



**Pierre Gensous**  
WFTU General Secretary (1969-1978)



# WFTU book



Ramón Cardona Nuevo, Cuba



El futuro lo es del movimiento sindical clasista, de la FSM (“The future belongs to the class-oriented trade union movement, to the WFTU”)



Vincent Kapenga, DR Congo



Fédération Syndicale Mondiale: aux côtés des travailleurs de la RD du Congo, toujours ! (“World Federation of Trade Unions: alongside the workers of the DR of Congo, always!”)



Katerina Kastridou, Greece



Παγκόσμια Συνδικαλιστική Ομοσπονδία: Ο διεθνισμός της στην Ελλάδα και τα Βαλκάνια (“World Federation of Trade Unions: Its internationalism in Greece & the Balkans”)



# contests winners



Hussein Karabsa, Palestine



النقابي الراحل  
"الرفيق إبراهيم زكريا"  
1929-1993  
("A trade  
unionist we  
lost – Ibrahim  
Zakaria")



José Maria Lucas, Spain



La FSM (Federación  
Sindical Mundial) y  
el MOS (Movimiento  
Obrero y Sindical)  
en el Estado Español  
entre 1945 y 2017  
("The WFTU and the  
Workers and Trade  
Union Movement in the  
Spanish State between  
1945 and 2017")



«Ιστορικές Φιγούρες  
της ΠΣΟ», Κώστας  
Θέος (1896-1958):  
Αντιπρόεδρος της ΠΣΟ  
("WFTU Historical  
Figures", Costas Theos  
(1896-1958): WFTU  
Vice President")



# WFTU Missions across the



in 100 countries  
world





# WFTU Leadership 2005-2022

## General Secretary



## Secretariat



Adib Miro  
Syria



Hariharan Mahadevan  
India



Valentine Pacheco  
Peru



Osiris Oviedo  
Cuba



Abdelmalik El Naneem  
Sudan



Swadesh Dev Roye  
India



Divanilton Pereira  
Brazil



Gilda Chacon Bravo  
Cuba



El Sadik  
Sudan



Adnan Azzouz  
Syria



Alberto Reyes  
Panama



Artur Sequeira  
(observer) Portugal

## Presidents



Shabban Azzouz, Syria



Mzwandile Michael Makwayiba, South Africa

# WFTU Presidential Council Members 2016-2022

## PRESIDENT

1 SOUTH AFRICA - NEHAWU

Mzwandile Michael Makwayiba

## GENERAL SECRETARY

2 GREECE - PAME

George Mavrikos

## SECRETARIAT

3 INDIA - AITUC

H. Mahadevan

4 BRAZIL - CTB

Jose Divanilton Pereira da Silva

5 INDIA - CITU

Swadesh Dev Roye

6 PANAMA - FAT

Alberto Enrique Reyes

7 SUDAN - SWTUF

Abdelmalik Elnaeem Ahmed Awad

8 SYRIA - GFTU

Adnan Azzouz

9 PORTUGAL (Observer)

Artur Sequeira

## VICE - PRESIDENTS

10 CUBA - CTC

Ulises Guilarte de Nacimiento

11 CYPRUS - PEO

Pambis Kyritsis

12 DPR KOREA - GFTUK

Ju Yong Gil

13 FRANCE - FNAF

Freddy Huck

14 GREECE - PAME

George Perros

15 IRAN - WORKERS HOUSE

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## LA FSM

En quarante-cinq tu es née à Paris  
et comme un haut cyprès tu as grandi  
Avec le drapeau rouge et un soleil radieux  
internationalisme et solidarité

Tes bras comme la mer embrassent les travailleurs  
Ils embrassent les Asiates et les Africains  
Ton action de classe dans le monde entier  
Amérique Latine, Europe, Moyen Orient partout est renommée

Tu unis Noirs et Blancs contre l'injustice  
Contre l'exploitation, pour un monde socialiste  
VIVE LA FSM ANTICAPITALISTE  
VIVE LA FSM ANTIIMPÉRIALISTE

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## LA FSM

En cuarenta y cinco en París naciste  
Y desde entonces como un ciprés creciste  
Con la bandera roja y un sol de claridad  
Con internacionalismo y solidaridad

En tus brazos como mar caben los obreros  
todos los Asiáticos y Africanos jornaleros  
Tu acción clasista, famosa en toda la tierra  
América Latina, Europa , Medio Oriente, siempre fue pionera

Unes todas las razas contra la injusticia  
contra la explotación, por un mundo socialista  
VIVA LA FSM ANTICAPITALISTA  
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**Singers:** Greek version: Thodoris Karellas, English version: Savvas Chrysostomou, Spanish version: Juan José (Juanjo) Anaya Fuertes

**Choir:** Stelios Alexandrakis, Dimitris Zisis, Nikos Moschos, Stamatis Samoilis, Maria Barouti, Sylvia Bekiri, Nasi Sakioti

# WFTU ANTHEM

## LA FSM

In nineteen forty-five in Paris you were born  
Since then like a tall cypress you have grown  
With a bright red flag and a bright sun  
With international solidarity as gun

Your hug like the sea all the workers holds  
It holds all the Asian and African folks  
Your class -oriented action became a famous song  
In Latin America, Europe and the Middle East it has been so strong

You gather Blacks and Whites against exploitation  
For a just society with class orientation  
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## LA FSM

Το σαράντα πέντε γεννήθης στο Παρίσι  
Δυνάμωσες, εψήλωσες, έγινες κυπαρίσσι  
Με κόκκινη παντιέρα και ήλιο λαμπερό  
Με αλληλεγγύη και με διεθνισμό

Η αγκαλιά σου θάλασσα χωράει τους εργάτες  
Χωράει τους Αφρικανούς κι όλους τους Ασιάτες  
Η δράση σου η ταξική σ'όλη την Οικουμένη  
Λατινική Αμερική, Ευρώπη, Μέση Ανατολή πάντοτε ξακουσμένη

Ενώνεις μαύρους και λευκούς κόντρα στην αδικία  
Κόντρα στην εκμετάλλευση για μια άλλη κοινωνία  
VIVA LA FSM ANTICAPITALISTA  
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**Trumpet:** Nikos Sarris (3 trumpets), **Horn:** Tasos Bakouris (3 horns)

**Trombone:** Yorgos Pavlidis (2 horns), **Tuba:** Antonis Argiropoulos (1)

**Music and orchestration:** Nikos Moschos, **Lyrics:** George Karab





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**16<sup>th</sup>** World Trade Union Congress  
Athens, Greece  
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**17<sup>th</sup>** World Trade Union Congress  
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**18<sup>th</sup>** World Trade Union Congress  
Rome, Italy  
6-8 May 2022



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