



Future of Work In the New Normal

Day 5: The Labour Response

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Introduction of BWI

- The BWI is the Global Union Federation grouping free and democratic unions with members in the Building, Building Materials, Wood, Forestry and Allied sectors. Our mission is to promote the development of trade unions and enforce workers rights within the sectors we represent.
- The BWI groups together around 351 trade unions representing around 12 million members in 127 countries. The Headquarters is in Geneva, Switzerland. Regional Offices and Project Offices are located in Panama, Malaysia, South Africa, India, Burkina Faso, Chile, Kenya, Russia, Peru and Brazil.



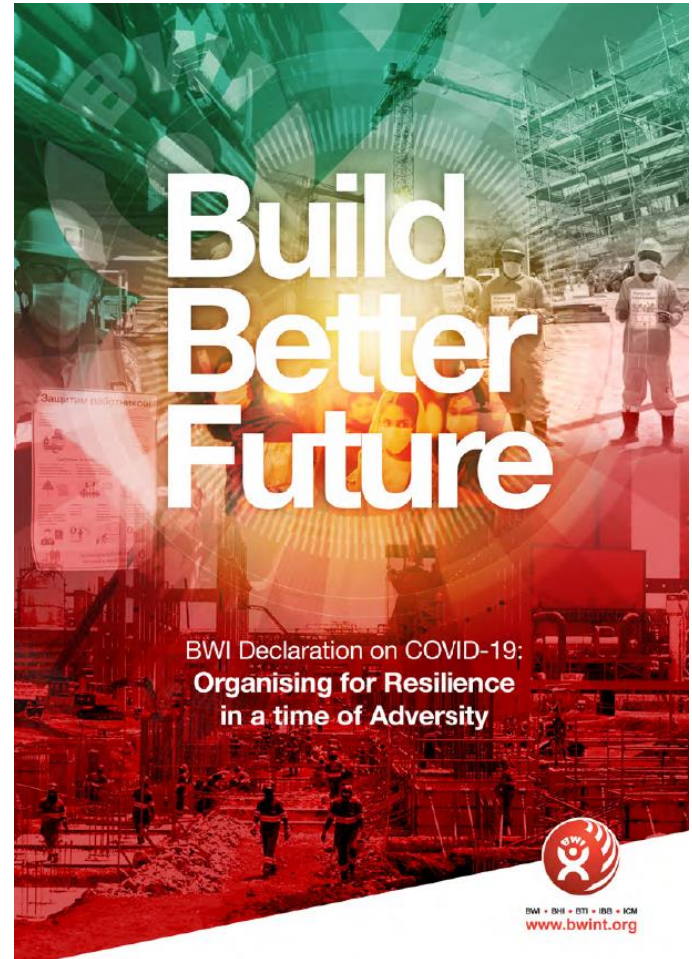
BWI Declaration

The BWI Declaration was published on 25 June 2020 during the height of the COVID-19 world crisis. It includes eight points of action that can be spearheaded by trade unions, civil society organizations, governments and MNCs.

The Declaration seeks to address the rights of workers left vulnerable by the economic crisis and provides suggestions for trade unions to begin activism towards fundamental political changes, in hopes of building a future that values workers, justice, dignity and peace.



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Declaration 3 Demands: Advocating for the economic, political and labour rights of migrant workers

Global labour market drivers during the pandemic and in the post COVID-19 future should be challenged to improve health and social outcomes for migrant workers as well as economic and political rights.

Governments should ratify ILO Convention 97 on Migration for Employment and Convention 143 on Migrant workers to improve the access of migrant workers to rights.

Amnesty, suspending arrests and deportations, for undocumented workers and workers with permit issues, ensuring that they have access to healthcare and are not exposed to risks.

Implementation of an international standard for labour camps and accommodation of migrants that addresses health and safety concerns as well.

Migrant workers are entitled to their freedom of association and right to collective bargaining in all countries of destination to increase protection of workers against exploitation.

National or migrant, all peoples must have access to food, healthcare, sanitation and housing.

Migrants should receive wage and job protection during the pandemic and end forced repatriation.

International and national efforts to mitigate the negative effects brought upon by COVID-19

Role of trade unions in light of the new normal

Increase of social security adjustments



Thank you.



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