



*A Recipe for a stronger*



5<sup>th</sup> Congress Zagreb 6-7 November 2019



## Invitation

### 5<sup>th</sup> EFFAT Congress

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to invite you on behalf of the EFFAT Executive Committee to the 5<sup>th</sup> EFFAT Congress that will be held on 6 and 7 November 2019 in Zagreb, Croatia.

EFFAT Congress is a key moment to place EFFAT's demands within the economy and social policy landscape, renew its framework programme and advocate for a worker-oriented EU. As the massive societal changes are occurring, the platform economy is triggering new forms of employment and the rise of nationalisms are questioning the solidity of the European project, European workers face a crucial moment with regards to their living and working conditions. Against this political backdrop, it will be the task of the Congress not only to discuss about the future of work, the future of Europe and the future of EFFAT but also to take the necessary decisions for a stronger EFFAT in the next 5 years and elect its new leadership. It will also set out EFFAT's political priorities and work program to ensure workers' decent conditions and fair pay from farm to fork.

<b>Venue</b>	The Westin Zagreb Hotel Room: Crystall ballroom Izidora Kršnjavoga 1 10000 Zagreb Croatia Tel: +385 1 4892 018 <a href="#">Westin Zagreb website</a>
<b>Working languages</b>	English, French, German, Italian, Spanish, Swedish, Croatian  We asked the Commission for interpretation support. We expect a response in September and might then be able to offer more passive languages. Any delegate wishing to express himself/herself in a language other than these working languages may – if necessary – be accompanied by an interpreter who translates the delegate's statement into one of the official languages. Interpreters can only participate after consultation with and confirmation from the EFFAT Secretariat.
<b>Time</b>	Wednesday, 6 November 2019 from 9 am to 6 pm Thursday, 7 November 2019 from 9 am to 6 pm
<b>Agenda</b>	Apart from the constitutional items and tasks of the agenda, the Congress will also be focussing on three major political challenges: Future of Work, Future of EFFAT, Future of Europe. See <b>Annex 1</b>
<b>Registration &amp; hotel</b>	<a href="https://effat.org/5congress/register/">https://effat.org/5congress/register/</a> - <b>Username:</b> <b>Password:</b> For questions or changes please contact: <a href="mailto:congress@effat.org">congress@effat.org</a> Deadline: <b>31 July 2019</b>



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## **Stands**

During Congress, we foresee some space for the setting-up of stands to give the opportunity to affiliates to distribute information on our main priorities / topics, e.g. domestic workers, youth, women, migration, LGBTQI, etc.

If you are interested, please contact [p.klinkenberg@effat.org](mailto:p.klinkenberg@effat.org)

## **Practical information** See **Annexes 2 and 3**

We are also organising **4 side conferences** that will take place before the Congress:

**LGBTQI Conference** Monday, 4 November 2019 from 9.30 am to 12.30 pm

**Youth Conference** Monday, 4 November 2019 from 2 pm to 6 pm  
Tuesday, 5 November 2019 from 9 am to 6 pm

**CEE/SEE Conference** Monday, 4 November 2019 from 2 pm to 6 pm  
Tuesday, 5 November 2019 from 9 am to 6 pm

**Women's Conference** Tuesday, 5 November 2019 from 9 am to 6 pm

Please find enclosed separate invitations and the draft agendas for the side meetings.

Our President, Malin Ackholt is inviting all Congress participants to a reception in the hotel on the evening of 6 November 2019.

Our Croatian affiliates are planning to organize an excursion for a limited number of Congress participants on Friday, 8 November 2019 (possibly a farm or factory visit or a city tour). Further details will be communicated, but for those interested please take this into account for your hotel and flight reservation.

We will have the possibility to reimburse travel and accommodation expenses of some of the participants. Further information on this can be found in annex 3 for the respective conferences. The EFFAT solidarity fund will cover the travel and accommodation costs of the Congress delegates from Central, Eastern and South-Eastern Europe and their interpreters. Interpreters can only be reimbursed after consultation with and confirmation from the EFFAT Secretariat.

Sincerely yours

Harald Wiedenhofer  
General Secretary

Malin Ackholt  
President