

## **About PSI**

Public Services International (PSI) is a global trade union federation (GUF) that works in cooperation with the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) and the Council of Global Unions to defend and promote rights and interests of public sector employees.

PSI is founded on the principle of solidarity between public sector employees throughout the world.

PSI is independent of any government, political party or ideological or religious grouping.

## Promoting quality public services

Public Services International brings together more than 20 million workers, represented by 669 unions in 154 countries and territories. We are a global trade union federation dedicated to promoting quality public services in every part of the world. Our members, two-thirds of whom are women, work in social services, health care, municipal and community services, central government, and public utilities such as water and electricity.

## **Public Services**

"Public services are those which are universally provided to the public and available equally to all; they affect life, safety and the public welfare and are vital to commercial and economic development; they involve regulatory or policy-making functions; the service is incompatible with the profit motive or cannot be effectively or efficiently delivered through market mechanisms."

## Quality Public Services are important in all our communities:

... education ... health ... housing ... social services ... sanitation ... transport ... postal and communication services ... utilities and renewable energies ... emergency and security services ... municipal services ... public media ... public administration ... water ...