THE PSI HANS ENGELBERTS FUND

Hans Engelberts (1943-2015)

Elected General Secretary of PSI at the 22nd World Congress in Singapore in December 1981, Hans was re-elected several times until he retired in 2007. He celebrated his retirement at the 2007 Vienna Congress which marked PSI’s 100 years of existence, after serving for more than 26 years as PSI General Secretary.

A dynamic and visionary leader, Hans led the organisation through many world-shaking events during his mandates, building up the organisation by more than 10 million members and reaching an impressive 20 million by the time of his retirement.

Fund

The PSI Executive Board held on 27-28 May 2015, decided to create a special Fund in memory of this exceptional international trade unionist.

Purpose

- Support young trade union leaders in their training and development
- Support trade union rights campaigns and initiatives
- Support organising initiatives of PSI affiliates
- Support local, regional or global campaigns for quality public services (in particular against privatisation)
- Support publications, research and other initiatives in line with PSI priorities

Governance

The Hans Engelberts Fund is managed by a Committee composed of five members, two ex-officio and three approved by the PSI Executive Board:

- The PSI General Secretary (ex-officio)
- The 3rd Trustee of the PSI Board of Trustees (ex-officio)
- Two PSI Vice-Presidents (for a 2-year mandate)
- One young workers’ representative

Applications

The Fund may call for proposals when sufficient funds are collected. PSI affiliates can also submit spontaneous applications in the framework of the priority areas of the Fund (see above “Purpose”).
Decision-making and monitoring of funds

The Hans Engelberts Committee Fund, with the support of the PSI Secretariat, decides upon the grant of funds and regularly monitors their use. The balance and transactions of the fund are included in the annual audit and PSI finance report.

Donations

The Hans Engelberts Fund accepts donations from PSI affiliates, as well as from external institutions and individuals.

Contributions should be sent to:

Account Holder: Internationale des Services Publics  
Account No. 298 630 31 06 90-0 or IBAN CH72 0844 0298 630 3 1069 0  
Swift code: COOPCHBB  
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All bank transfers must have the reference “Hans Engelberts Fund”.

If the donor is an affiliated organisation, please remember to include your affiliate number (TUxxxx) in the text of all bank transfers.

If the donor is not an affiliate, please include name and full address in order to ensure contributions are directed accordingly, and inform PSI secretariat about your transfer at hans_engelberts_fund@world-psi.org.

This will enable the Secretariat to acknowledge your donation.