



APRECON CIRCULAR No. 4 (2019)

To all PSI affiliates in Asia Pacific
To all APREC members
All PSI AP staff for information

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APRECON CORE RESOLUTION – ASIA PACIFIC REGIONAL ACTION PLAN and GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION OF AFFILIATE RESOLUTIONS

Dear Colleagues,

Please find enclosed the First Draft Asia Pacific Regional Action Plan (RAP – dated April 2019) for your consideration and comment. The Draft will be presented as a core resolution at the APRECON.

DRAFT REGIONAL ACTION PLAN (2019-2022) - RAP

The Draft Regional Action Plan provides a framework for regional implementation of the PSI Programme of Action, adopted at Congress 2017. In 2018, affiliates were invited, through sub-regional advisory committees, to identify priority areas of work to guide work in the region. The priorities were presented to the Asia Pacific Regional Executive Committee in 2018, who approved the framework and proposed actions to develop the RAP.

Affiliates wishing to suggest amendments to the Draft RAP should send their text proposals that clearly note the paragraph number and the required amendment to psi.asia@world-psi.org by **1st June latest**.

The Draft RAP, including amendments, will be submitted as a core resolution to APRECON by APREC and sent to all affiliates and participants by 16th July 2019.

A Standing Orders Committee (SOC) will be established to consider all proposed resolutions, and proposed amendments to the RAP and to affiliates' resolutions.

RESOLUTIONS FROM AFFILIATES

Affiliates are now invited to submit resolutions for APRECON 2019.

Affiliates are invited to first read the attached Draft RAP, BEFORE deciding to submit any resolution of their own, to avoid duplication on issues already covered in the Draft RAP.

Practical **Guidelines** for resolutions based on those used at Congress 2017 are attached for your reference. They will smooth the process and make it more efficient.

Affiliates' attention is drawn to the following provisions in the Guidelines:

- a) APRECON resolutions are intended to provide general policy and guidance for PSI Asia Pacific region over the next five years.
- b) Resolutions are not intended to be a comprehensive documentation of evidence, nor overly prescriptive or detailed policy/action.
- c) Affiliates are requested to keep resolutions and amendments short and avoid unnecessarily prescriptive detail.

Please note that only **emergency resolutions** will be accepted outside this process as per Constitution.

DEADLINES AND KEY DATES

- Amendments to the draft RAP and affiliates' resolution proposals should be submitted by **1st June 2019** to: **psi.asia@world-psi.org**
- Affiliates' resolution proposals will be sent out to all affiliates **on 15th June.**
- Amendments to proposed affiliates' resolutions must be received by: **30th June.**
- PSI will send out all draft resolutions (RAP and affiliates' resolutions) and proposed amendments **on 16th July** to all AP affiliates and APRECON participants.

In solidarity,



ROSA PAVANELLI
PSI General Secretary

Attachments:

- First Draft Regional Action Plan (dated April 2019)
- Guidelines for Submitting Draft Resolutions (and Amendments)
- Template for Resolutions

Proposed Guidelines for Submitting Draft Resolutions (and Amendments) to APRECON 2019

The **procedures** for dealing with draft resolutions and amendments are governed by the PSI Constitution and based on the experience of PSI's last world Congress in 2017.

These **Guidelines** are in addition to the procedures in the Constitution and Standing Orders.

Affiliates are reminded that if an affiliate resolution contains significantly similar content to the RAP, it will be ruled out of order by SOC.

Composite resolutions

Affiliates submitting resolutions (including amendments) covering similar policy to other affiliates' resolutions or amendments, will be encouraged to composite their resolutions or risk having their proposed resolution ruled out of order by SOC.

Bundled resolutions

Affiliates are reminded that where a number of resolutions (including amendments) deal with the same or similar subject matter, they may be bundled together and debated as one 'block'. Where there is no opposition to a draft resolution that forms part of a 'block', the number of speakers in favour of the draft resolution may be limited to one.

Length of resolutions

- Affiliates are reminded that resolutions are intended to provide general policy guidance for PSI AP over the next mandate period.
- Affiliates may be asked to shorten their proposed resolutions.
- Affiliates are requested to avoid amendments which simply rephrase or edit other affiliates' proposed resolutions, unless the original is ambiguous.
- Amendments that change the primary intent of another proposed resolution risk being ruled out of order.

Affiliates are requested to use the "FORMAT FOR RESOLUTIONS" template attached.

Amendments must clearly state which resolution (number, name) and which part of the resolution (paragraph number, sentence) are to be amended.

Proposed resolutions (including amendments) that do not follow this guidance risk being ruled out of order or having APREC recommend opposition.

FORMAT FOR RESOLUTIONS – TEMPLATE

RESOLUTION NO.: [to be inserted by Secretariat]

[TITLE OF RESOLUTION]:

The 14th PSI Asia Pacific Regional Conference (APRECON)
meeting in Bali, Indonesia, 18 to 20 September 2019

(Set out **the situation** using verbs such as: NOTES, RECOGNISES, IS ALARMED, etc.)

E.g.

NOTES xxx

RECOGNISES yyy

(Set out **the position of PSI AP** using verbs such as: CONDEMNS, FEARS, DEPLORES, IS CONCERNED, ADOPTS, ENCOURAGES, SUPPORTS, UNDERSTANDS, etc.)

E.g.

CONDEMNS xxx

SUPPORTS yyy

(Set out any **action requested**, although there may be none, using verbs such as: CALLS UPON, RESOLVES, URGES, DEMANDS, EXHORTS, etc.)

E.g.

CALLS UPON xxx

DEMANDS yyy

Submitted by

[Union name and acronym], [Country]

Please provide the email of the person to contact re. this resolution: