



Mr Jean-Claude Juncker
President of the European Commission

Brussels, 2 March 2015

For a fair workers' mobility in Europe

Dear President Juncker,

Yesterday, Mr Nicolas Schmit, Minister of Labour, Employment and the Social and Solidarity Economy of Luxembourg and Chairman of the Party of European Socialists Employment and Social Affairs Ministers' network, submitted an open letter to Marianne Thyssen, Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs, Skills and Labour Mobility, calling on the Commission to initiate ambitious steps for fairer workers' mobility in the EU.

I strongly support Minister Schmit's initiative and welcome the Commission's announcement of a targeted review of the Posting of Workers Directive. We hope that this process will result in an ambitious revision of the Directive, to close current loopholes in the legal framework.

We need rules for the posting of workers that put an end to fake postings and letter box companies, strengthen national supervisory and regulatory authorities, protect national systems of industrial relations and enhance the capacity of workers to seek redress against infringements of work contracts.

In this respect, I would like to draw your attention to a recent common [declaration](#) by the Party of European Socialists' Employment and Social Affairs Ministers on fair workers' mobility in Europe. The ministers put forward concrete proposals on how to improve the Posting of Workers Directive in particular and the rights of mobile workers in general.

Dear President Juncker, the Party of European Socialists is convinced that taking decisive actions to strengthen mobile workers' rights will not only improve the situation of those workers, but will also affect domestic workers positively. We thus look forward to the Commission's proposals for fairer workers' mobility that enhances workers' rights and ensures fairness between all workers and between companies in Europe.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Sergei Stanishev', written over a horizontal line.

Sergei Stanishev
President
Party of European Socialists