



TOGETHER FOR A FAIR DEAL FOR WORKERS

Biography of Ms Tea Jarc

Tea Jarc is a Confederal Secretary of the ETUC, elected in May 2023 at the ETUC Congress in Berlin.

Her responsibilities at ETUC include dossiers:

- collective bargaining, wage coordination, and implementation of Adequate minimum wage directive;
- employment, non-standard forms of employment and labour market policies;
- implementation of the European pillar of social rights;
- youth, youth employment policies;
- trade union renewal and digital trade unionism;
- EU enlargement;
- changes of the EU treaties;
- regional, economic and social cohesion policies;
- as well as working with Eurofound.

Before being elected Confederal Secretary of the ETUC, Tea was President of the ETUC Youth Committee (2019-2022), advocating for quality jobs, workers' rights and social rights (for young people), including a greener and more social Europe with upward convergence as the main principle.

In Slovenia she was the President of Sindikat Mladi plus, (2017-2023) which gathers and represents young unemployed people, young precarious workers, university and high school students and platform workers.

Tea was a member of the executive Board of ZSSS (The Association of Free Trade Unions of Slovenia) working mostly on the topics related to future of work, non-standard forms of employment, labour reform, equal opportunities, as well as on membership and organising.

Over the past twenty years, she has actively combined work at national and European level, both as a professional and as an activist, taking over leading and management roles in the service of Trade Unions and NGOs that advance the fight for social justice and promote the value-driven change of our societies.

Tea has been also the co-initiator and coordinator of Voice of the people: an initiative, which brings together more than 110 Slovenian civil society organisations, trade unions and thousands of individuals from all social sectors, defending democracy and transparency. She was one of the most visible actors in Slovenian social movement opposing the autocratic far right government in Slovenia (2020-2022).

Tea Jarc is a fighter with a strong and ambitious vision for the trade union movement. She advocates for solidarity across all sectors and borders. She seeks alternatives to the current exploitative economic system, defends peace, human rights and democracy and is determined to continuously fight for climate and social justice.