Joint statement of trade unions of the Visegrad Group on the current situation with Posted Workers Directive and the complaint of the Polish and Hungarian Governments to the Court of Justice of the EU on the revised directive

Trade unions of the Visegrad Group gathered in Prague call upon the EU Members States to implement the revised Posted Workers Directive (2018/957) as soon as possible to deploy in practice the rule of equal pay for equal work at the same place for all EU workers.

We also express our strong disapproval of the recent complaint of the Polish and Hungarian Governments to the Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU) on the revised Posted Workers Directive (2018/957). We reiterate our joint statement from Warsaw from 20th of October 2017 where we voiced our strong support for the revision of Posted Workers Directive and we said that the conditions of fair competition for business as well as just employment, decent jobs and equal rights for workers are not only indispensable for social justice and social market economy but also smooth economic and social integration and cohesion of different countries in the EU. Furthermore, in our declaration we underline that: there is still room for compromises related to different solutions, like in the case of road transport which should be separated from the revised Posted Workers Directive, however, the paramount principle of equal pay for equal work at the same place should be accepted and included in the revised Directive as its most essential provision.

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