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Bi-national Agreement Promoting a Decent Work for Migrant Domestic Workers in migration corridor Paraguay-Argentina

A bi-national workers agreement (Acuerdo sindical bi-nacional) was reached between Domestic Workers' organizations and Trade Union Confederations from Paraguay and Argentina in order to promote decent work for Paraguayan MDWs in Argentina. This was the main output of a bi-national workshop organized in Santiago, 20-21 September 2014 under the EU funded Global Action Programme for Migrant Domestic Workers and their Families (GAP-MDW) with the participation of 17 representatives from Unión Personal Auxiliar de Casas Particulares (UPACP), Asociación Civil de Derechos Humanos Mujeres Unidas Migrantes y Refugiadas en Argentina (UMRA), Asociación de Trabajadoras Remuneradas del Hogar (Argentina), Sindicato del Personal de Casa de Familia Córdoba (Argentina), Central de Trabajadores de la Argentina (CTA), Confederación General del Trabajo de la República Argentina (CGT), Asociación de Trabajadoras Remuneradas del Hogar (Paraguay), Sindicato de trabajadoras domésticas de Itapúa (Paraguay), Sindicato de Trabajadoras Domésticas del Paraguay, Central Unitaria de Trabajadores Auténtica (CUT-A).

Under this agreement, workers established a 15 months action plan (October 2014-December 2015) to be implemented in coordination with the Trade Union Confederation of the Americas and the International Federation of Domestic Workers and with the support of the ILO.

Among the main issues agreed were the creation of a migrant domestic workers network, adoption of the ITUC-Americas 12+12 campaign, promotion of vocational training for domestic workers in Argentina and Paraguay aiming at a common certification system, and strengthening the union of domestic workers and their alliances with trade union confederations through organizing and training, bi-national meetings, exchange of good practices, etc.

