Dear EDF National Councils

Ahead of the Social Summit for Fair Jobs and Growth on the 17 November, EDF Board adopts a Resolution on the Pillar of Social Rights. Through this resolution, EDF Board addresses Heads of States and Governments to call for a strong commitment towards the right to employment, social inclusion and social protection for persons with disabilities and all people in the European Union (EU).

To make the Resolution effective we count on you to send it to the Heads of States and Prime Ministers of your country before the Social Summit next week. Read the full resolution here and find here a model letter that you could use.

To apply the principles of the Social Pillar and achieve higher employment rate, better working conditions and adequate standards of living and social protection for all EU citizens including persons with disabilities, national governments should commit to its implementation at national level.

To this end, EDF resolution:

- reminds EU Member States of their obligations under the <u>United Nations</u>

 Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UN CRPD), as well as under the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development and the Sustainable

 Development Goals (SDGs);
- calls for adequate financial resources to be allocated to promote better
 employment conditions and social protection for persons with disabilities;
- calls for the adoption of a strong directive on Work-Life Balance for
 Parents and Careers which recognizes both the perspective of carers of
 persons with disabilities and of parents with disabilities.

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