

To the Leadership and members of KESK and DISK

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Dear brothers and sisters,

We were really shocked when hearing about the terrible earthquake that has happened this last Monday in Turkey. We are speechless when learning about the thousands of death and wounded as a result from this tremendous disaster.

We know that among the victims there are also members and their families of your trade union organisations. As FNV want to offer our most sincere condolences to you and the relatives of all the people who lost their lives. We also want to express our solidarity with the victims and the survivors. We know that as Turkish trade unions you have inmediately started with a crisis response. After setting up crisis centra, aid materials which were collected from workplaces delivered to the area, funds were raised and search and rescue teams formed in the factories that set out for the region. We have a lot of respect for all these concrete actions of solidarity on your behalf.

Please accept our solidarity and be sure to know we want to support your initiatives as good and as much as possible. So please let us know how we can be of help.

As you said, it is the time to stand together, act together, and help all people. Solidarity is the only way to alleviate the suffering of the earthquake. You can count on the FNV for that.

In solidarity on behalf of FNV,

Petra Bolster

FNV board member and international secretary