



## **Message of Solidarity to the SEKO Congress**

In behalf of the 100,000 members of SENTRO, we would like to extend our warm greetings of solidarity on the occasion of your Congress. Amidst the rise of rightwing populists in many parts of the world, your Congress is an important moment for your members to reflect on what LIVS has accomplished and to renew their commitment to the overall struggle to defend and advance the rights and welfare of the working class not only in Sweden but even in other countries.

Indeed, while standing strong for the workers of Sweden, SEKO has also contributed to the strengthening of social movement unionism in the Philippines, particularly among the commercial fishers. With your support, SENTRO was able to improve the lives of domestic seafarers and of the commercial fishers, especially in General Santos City, even as we are still fighting for the recognition of the union in Citra Mina.

Thus, on the occasion of your Congress, allow us to express our deep gratitude for the continued support that SEKO is extending to SENTRO and to the working class of the Philippines. The cooperation between SEKO and SENTRO is truly an exemplary display of international solidarity.

We wish your Congress all the best.

Long live SEKO!  
Long live the Swedish working class!  
Long live international Solidarity!

SENTRO Executive Committee  
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