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Comments on the European Regional Structure Consultation Document

The four Swedish member organisations welcome the proposal to establish an ETUCE representing all EI affiliates in the European region.

The European region of EI has 140 member organisations in 46 countries. Within a foreseeable future, 39 of these countries are likely to be part of the EU/EFTA area. European countries outside the EU/EFTA area will certainly also be affected by EU decision making in education and other areas.

We believe that the draft By-Laws will establish a more effective and efficient structure vis-à-vis the ETUC, the European regional intergovernmental co-operation and the EU institutions. An enhanced co-operation between teachers' organisations in Europe would also serve as a support to the solidarity and unity between all teachers' organisations at the world level.

At a later stage, our organisations may draft amendments concerning specific details in the document, but we would like to take this opportunity to express our general support for the draft By-Laws of ETUCE.

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