

# Happy World Social Work Day to everybody 😊

Today we celebrate the World Social Work Day remembering that Social Work does play a role all across the globe. A role with many faces, but all together we promote and support the realisation of human rights – in other words as the IFSW jubilee theme says “Social Work – Making a World of difference”.

IFSW facilitates the celebration of the World Social Work Day through its member organisations in 35 European countries (84 at global level).

This morning I was met by a poster and postcard campaign facilitated by the Danish body of social work students, saying “EQUALITY – RIGHT NOW ... Every day social workers make a difference; a difference for the individual and a difference for society ... Equality and human rights is fundamental values in the work of social workers ... This is worth to mark and celebrate”.

This campaign makes me happy and proud to be a social worker 😊 ... Similar activities will happen across Europe today ... with a special emphasis on

## **Standards for social work promoting the realisation of human rights**

The IFSW Europe Executive Committee follow up on discussions in Parma, Italy, last year, asking:

What defines the standards of *social work practice* in your country?

How do these standards meet human rights?

How can the standards of social work practice be promoted while also strengthening human rights?

Today's focus is *social work practice* rather than “social work services”.

I wish everybody the best for today's activities ... social workers and social work students across Europe, do celebrate and promote your profession ...

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