Unione Sindacale Italiana U.S.I.
Proclamation of the General Strike of September 27th 2019
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USI proclaimed a National Strike that will be held on September 27th, 2019, with a full day coverage for the public and private sector. **USI** on a daily basis always struggled, struggles and will struggle for the improvement of the wage conditions and health and safety in the workplaces, for the supply of strategic and important public services for all, for the improvement of the life conditions against all existing poverties, against the exploitation of the natural environment causing pollution, and other devastations .

USI stands for another model of development and another future, different from what we experienced and we are experiencing at present. Therefore, **Usi** will give its support to the protesters, in order to activate the necessary connection, between the daily claims of workers and the protests and mobilizations that, on September 27th 2019, at international and even national level, will involve, by demonstrations and protests in the streets, young people, students, to defend the environment and to counter the current orientations of large multinationals, economic potentates, financial institutions and pressure groups, governments, states and supranational bodies on the so-called "climate change" issues.

An ecosystem, in which people and workers are inserted , which has been exploited, plundered, devastated in the name of a development of the productive forces, which is producing harmful and penalizing effects, making the masses, to a worldwide level and also in the so-called countries capitalistically civilized, increasingly impoverished, subordinate, intoxicated, in the name of the profits of the few to the detriment of the many, with migratory movements from one part of the planet to another, which no national law or decree can objectively stop.

A movement that started with young people and students is not at all disconnected from what for years and every day, in trade union and social activity, also workers, starting from those already self-organized and conscious, developed in the individual struggles and local disputes. Everything was always conceived within the idea that ANOTHER FUTURE IS POSSIBLE AND NECESSARY and that only from a buttom-up approach and in a participatory solidarity, we can fight, to build a society and an economic model that respects the environment in which we live, which could also produce employment and employment solutions of global importance.

For this reason ***we have accepted the invitation that was given to us, to give the national strike coverage for next September 27th****, to those who on that day will want to participate in the many protests, initiatives, demonstrations promoted also in Italy, in defense of the environment and for an ecologically correct vision*, also in the approach of how they make us work, what we produce, how we produce, what we consume, of how we use resources in the energy, water, fundamental and strategic services, an how we could re -distribute the social wealth that is produced, in a balanced way, for social justice, economic, civil and citizenship rights.

WE DON'T HAVE GOVERNMENT FRIENDS ... neither nationally nor globally. We are less interested in ritual strikes, or actions limited to single labour categories or in individual sectors, in sectarian or self-referential procedures, in pre-packaged paths, which every year always follow the same way of *doing Union*, without any real and concrete process of development of social conflict, mass conflict, cultural growth and good practices of self-organization, self-management, self-financing, independence and collective self-defense.

As USI, in respect of sound practices, giving new vigor and strength to the labour movement, on an International and Italian level, with ancient and solid roots, we will step alongside the youth and the community .

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