# **International Domestic Workers Federation**



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The first Woman's Day was observed in 1909 to honour the 1908 International Ladies Garment Workers' Union strike in New York.

Over a century later, the IDWF is marking this day by paying tribute to Shusila Rana and Roja Maya Limbu, two of the very first domestic worker unionists in the Arab region.



# **Regional Updates**



## Africa/Guinea:

On 26 December 2016 the Parliament of Guinea
- Conackry approved the ratification of ILO C189
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## Asia/Hong Kong:

Tackling overcharging fees led to a success in Hong Kong >>>



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### Caribbean/Jamaica:

On 18-19 February, on behalf of the JHWA,
Shirley Pryce, participated in the Regional
Exchange of Domestic Workers Experiences
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### **Europe/Geneva, Switzerland:**

Approved regularization of 590 undocumented migrant workers including domestic workers and the process is ongoing >>>





### **Central Asia/Kazakhstan:**

Please support our domestic workers and other workers in Kazakhstan to campaign for the right to organize >>>

### **Latin America/El Salvador:**

IDWF co-sponsored convening in El Salvador on Migration and Domestic Work that brought together domestic worker unions, organizations and migrant rights organizations from Central America, Mexico, and the US >>>



### Middle East/Lebanon:

Launch of My Fair Home >>>

### **North America/USA:**

On Saturday January 21, more than 100 domestic workers from all over the US marched, and IDWF took action along with millions of women all over the world to stand up to fear and hate, and create a future that cares for us all. We marched for a fair and just democracy and an economy that works for everyone >>>



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