

Independent Elections Committee for the first IAWP Elective Congress

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Julie Duchatel. IUF (UITA)

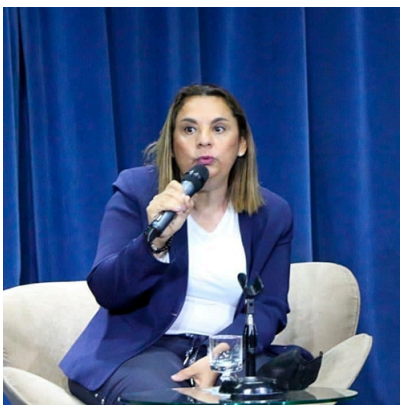


Julie Duchatel is the International Officer for Gender Equality and Projects at the International Union of Food, Agricultural, Hotel, Restaurant, Catering, Tobacco and Allied Workers' Associations (IUF), a global union federation based in Geneva, Switzerland. She joined the IUF in November 2016. Previously, she worked for 2 years at the ILO (POLNORM unit) and then for 13 years at a Geneva-based NGO and publisher, CETIM. She was in charge of publications and the organization of conferences on the mechanisms at the origin of "maldevelopment", on the unequal relations between the Global North and the Global South, and on the promotion of

economic, social and cultural rights.

She was part of and responsible for the IUF Credentials Committee for the last two IUF Congresses (2017 and 2023). She was also part of the IUF Congress Working Group in charge of organizing the 2023 Congress and was a member of the Elections Committee of the last IDWF Congress (2023).

Carmen Britez. IDWF (FITH)



Carmen Britez is a lawyer, activist and trade union leader with over 35 years of experience in the struggle for the rights of domestic workers. She is also the director of medical services for her union's social work department, a professor at the University of Buenos Aires (UBA), and the [president of the International Domestic Workers' Federation \(IDWF\)](#), elected at its congress last October.

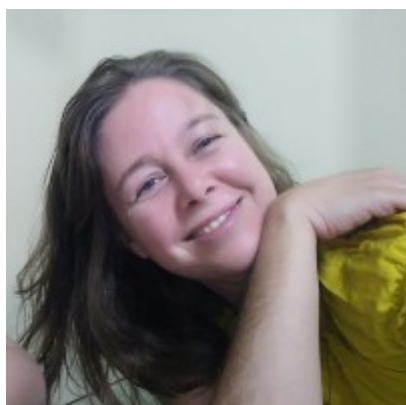
In 2018, she was the IDWF Vice-President-elect. In Argentina, Carmen is the founder of the National Commission of Private Houses and a member of the Women's Table Fuerza Sindical (Strength of the Union), which is characterised by its work for the rights of working women and the fight against gender violence and child labour. Carmen actively participates in the negotiations of the International Labour Organisation and, together with allies and the government, she has been able to promote the ratification of Convention 189, which entered into force in 2014, and Convention 190, which entered into force in 2021 in Argentina.

Isamar Escalona. ITUC/LA (CSA)



Isamar Escalona has worked for the last 14 years in the [Confederación Sindical de trabajadores y trabajadoras de las Américas \(CSA\)](#) (Trade Union Confederation of the Americas). She coordinated the process of drafting an international standard within the ILO on the recognition of the rights of workers in informal work, Recommendation 204 on the transition from the informal to the formal economy. She produced training and advocacy materials on the labour rights of informal workers and coordinated the process of formulating the TUCA policy for inclusion in the regional trade union agenda on organizing and trade unionism of informal workers. She coordinated the Global Production Chains and Union Action Project, which included research, training, organizing and the drafting of the TUCA policy. Union research and training activities on occupational health (including occupational health training activities with waste pickers from Paraguay and the Dominican Republic) and coordination of the process of developing the Union Strategy on Occupational Health for the Americas - ESSLA. She participated in the CSA Congresses of 2012, 2016 and 2021, coordinating the Credentials and Elections Committees, respectively. She has been working as an external consultant for the CSA since May 2023.

Claire Siobhan Ruppert. CUT



From 2008 to the present, Claire Siobhan Ruppert has been the coordinator of the International Relations Secretariat at [CUT Brazil, the "Unique Centre of Workers"](#), the largest national trade union confederation centre. She is in charge of coordinating campaigns, policies and collaborating on projects and sharing tasks among staff; responsible for the International Labour Organization - ILO; responsible for the International Trade Union Confederation - ITUC and from 2014 to 2018 special advisor to the ITUC President and follow-up with the headquarters in Brussels.

She represents the CUT in national and international activities, such as the annual International Labour Conference of the ILO. Deputy member of the National Migration Council of the Brazilian Federal Government. She maintains and develops networks with various social actors, such as national confederations, social movements, NGOs, foundations, international and regional organizations, as well as employers and government representatives. She has prepared campaign proposals and reports on relevant issues for the CUT National Board. She speaks Portuguese, English, Spanish and German.