



Congress resolution

Democracy must be enhanced

The Danish Union of Teachers wish to promote democratic developments in society. The Union will work to ensure that the general public and organisations are involved in political decision-making processes at all levels in our society

Confidence in the democratic decision-making process needs to be enhanced. In the wake of the financial crisis, an increasing number of political decisions are made on the basis of economic necessity.

In reality, crucial political reforms are being decided by a few powerful politicians on the basis of civil service calculations, without prior open political debate and social dialogue.

Politicians elected by the people have reduced their role to merely following the party discipline and thereby avoiding the open political dialogue. Political debates have been replaced by campaigns.

Democratic necessity entails that elected politicians have a personal responsibility at all levels to take part in an open debate in which disagreements and different views are used to qualify the politicians to form their own opinions and make their own decisions.

Consequently, the Danish Union of Teachers will continue to work actively on enhancing democratic principles in the political decision-making process. The teachers will further the democratic understanding of the future generations.

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