Ten Ways to Protect Undocumented Migrant Workers

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PICUM - Platform for International Cooperation on Undocumented Migrants
1st Way: Raising public support

- Coalition of Immokalee Workers (USA)
  - Consumer campaign against Taco Bell
2<sup>nd</sup> Way: Collecting data

- Influence policy making
- UN Special Rapporteur on Rights of Migrants
- OKIA - Dutch study on undoc. workers in greenhouses
3rd Way: Informing undocumented workers

- Printed material (comic books)
- Help desks
- OR.C.A. – Brussels, practical guide and workshops
4th Way: Empowerment

- Influence decision-making affecting their lives
- Leadership development
- Civic participation
- Domestic Workers United - New York
5th Way: Unionizing

- A worker is a worker!
- Challenges for unions
- Recent positive developments:
  - Dutch and U.S. unions
6th Way: Employers

- Prevent exploitation
- Hold them accountable

- Social Responsibility Law – Portugal
7\textsuperscript{th} Way: Mediation and collective actions
8\textsuperscript{th} Way: Legal system

- Barriers! (Fear, proof, cost)

- Examples in Spain, Germany, France, USA ....
9th Way: Working with governmental agencies

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- Labor inspection
- Occupational safety and health
- EMPLEO alliance (Los Angeles, USA)
10\textsuperscript{th} Way: Advocating for legal status