



Draft party Resolution in support of the Simultaneous Policy

Conference notes:

1. In competing for investment and jobs, governments of all countries are under great pressure from transnational corporations and financial markets to adopt ever more 'business-friendly' policies, often at the expense of protecting citizens and the environment.
2. The International Simultaneous Policy Organisation ("Simpol") is promoting a global campaign under which an indivisible package of policies ("the Simultaneous Policy") is to be developed, negotiated, and ultimately approved by citizens and governments around the world.
3. Citizens who support Simpol ("Simpol supporters") undertake to vote in national elections for any candidate, within reason, who pledges to implement the Simultaneous Policy alongside other governments, only when all or sufficient governments have made the same Pledge. Simpol supporters who have a party preference undertake to encourage their preferred party to support Simpol and to adopt this Resolution.
4. Processes to develop the policy content of the Simultaneous Policy package would be launched only if and when the campaign receives sufficient support in principle from politicians and political parties around the world. Thus, this Resolution, or a Pledge made by a parliamentary candidate, is provisional, and signifies a party's support for the campaign only in principle. Furthermore, it may be rescinded at any time if the party so chooses.

Conference believes:

1. That competition for investment and fear of first-mover competitive disadvantage renders policy makers unable to adequately respond to global problems such as climate change, unsustainable use of resources, and a trading system which, absent adequate regulation, leaves the majority of humans in poverty.
2. That in addition to unilateral measures aimed at protecting the rights of citizens and the environment, the implementation of the Simultaneous Policy alongside other governments, once approved by citizens in New Zealand and other countries, is a valid and potentially effective means of promoting international cooperation to address global problems in a way that is complementary both to unilateral national measures and to international diplomacy.

Conference resolves:

1. To support Simpol's campaign by:
 - Requiring party candidates and elected officials to sign its Pledge form. The Pledge is an undertaking in principle to implement the Simultaneous Policy alongside other governments if and when all, or sufficient, other governments have made the same Pledge.
 - Recommending that party members and all New Zealand citizens become Simpol supporters.
 - Offering those of the party's policies which address global problems for consideration by Simpol supporters in Simpol's policy development process, when that process is launched.
2. To adopt the Simultaneous Policy as official party policy, so signaling the party's commitment, if elected to government, and subject to the Simultaneous Policy having been developed and approved by sufficient nations and their citizens, to implement it alongside other governments.

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