Dear Madam/Sir,

I would like to inform you that the Tripartite Commission for Social and Economic Affairs – a social dialogue forum which have acted on the national level since 1994 – has ended its activity. In its place, the Social Dialogue Council was established as a forum of tripartite cooperation among the following parties: employees, employers and the government, on the basis of the Act of 24 July 2015 on the Social Dialogue Council and other social dialogue institutions (Journal of Laws, item 1240).

The Council holds dialogue in order to ensure social and economic development conditions and to enhance the competitiveness of the Polish economy as well as social cohesion. It works for the enforcement of the rule of social participation and solidarity with regard to employment relations as well as for the improvement of the quality of formulating and implementing socio-economic policies and strategies and for the creation of social consensus with regard to these issues by holding transparent, substantive and regular dialogue between the employees and employers’ organizations and the government party. The Council supports social dialogue at all levels of territorial self-government entities.

The first composition of the Council was established on 22 October 2015. The term of office of the Council Chairman is one year. The Council comprises members representing the trade union organizations, the employers’ organizations and the government.

I am certain that this new opening for Polish social dialogue can also mean a fresh start in international cooperation in this area. Looking forward to possibility to have a fruitful collaboration with you and your council I hope we will have an opportunity to meet in person soon.

With regards,

Piotr Duda