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UPR Norway

Sudwind welcomes the engagement of Norway with the UPR and the acceptance of many recommendations. However we are disappointed that Norway had again rejected recommendations to ratify the International Convention on the Protection of the rights of all migrant workers and members of their families. Although Norway had in general context a good human rights repertoire and had gained one of the best rankings in almost all human rights indexes such as the human development index, the gender inequality index and corruption perceptions index, the state can still improve the human rights situation.

Sudwind is concerned about the deportation of asylum seekers by force. The case of Rahim Rostami a minor Iranian asylum seeker who was arrested and taken to prison directly in Tehran after forced deporting was a sad example.

Sudwind also believes that the collective ban of Iranian student from studying in some study majors such as physics and chemistry should be changed to ban of individual students after investigation on each case.