

List of world-wide unions supporting BDS

Union and country	Brief details of boycott	Date passed
Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE), Canada	Call for BDS until Palestinian rights, including the right of return, are implemented.	June 2006
Services, Industrial, Professional and Technical Union of Ireland, Republic of Ireland	Passes motions calling for sanctions against Israel and suspension of the Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement until Israel ends violation on international law	July 2006
Sacked Merseyside Dockworkers, on behalf of Merseyside trade unionists, UK	Issue statement to trade unions calling for BDS against Israel	July 2006
Central Única dos Trabalhadores (CUT), Brazil and other South American unions	Unions join a mobilization to block the signing of a Free Trade Agreement between South America and Israel	June 2006
Metal and Electrical Workers Union of South Africa	Union calls for boycott and sanctions against Israel	August 2006
Congress of South African Trade Unions (COSATU), South Africa	Calls for sanctions against Israel and a diplomatic and consumer boycott	September 2006
Norwegian Electrician and IT Workers Union, Norway	Calls for a comprehensive boycott of Israel	December 2006
National Union of Journalists (NUJ), UK	Passes boycott motion and calls for sanctions	April 2007
UCU (British Academic Union), UK	Calls for academic boycott, as well as general BDS	May 2007
UNISON, UK	Passes boycott motion and demands UK government sanctions Israel	June 2007
Northern Ireland Public Services Alliance (NIPSA), UK	Calls for members to boycott Israel and calls for divestment	June 2007
Transport and General Workers Union, UK	Calls for consumer boycott	July 2006
Irish Congress of Trade Unions, Republic of Ireland	Calls for boycott and divestment and demands sanctions	July 2007

Please also note: Almost 30 countries maintain a state sponsored boycott of Israel and their trade unions follow it. With the exception of Cuba, they are part of the Arab League or the Organization of Islamic Countries. Since the Oslo agreements, these state sponsored boycotts have seen a growing lack of enforcement on behalf of the authorities. In fact, it is the trade and professional unions in many cases that play an important role in pressuring their governments and companies to uphold the boycott and not to succumb to the constant US pressure to normalize relations with apartheid Israel.