Memur-Sen Continues to Inspire Trade Union Movements Across Africa

Arezki Mezhoud, Secretary General of the Organisation of African Trade Union Unity (OATUU), paid a visit to Ali Yalçın, President of the Memur-Sen Confederation, in Ankara. The meeting focused on strengthening trade union solidarity between Türkiye and Africa, deepening institutional cooperation, and fostering a shared vision for global labour advocacy.

In his remarks during the visit, Mezhoud emphasized Memur-Sen’s growing respect and recognition among African trade unions, stating: “Memur-Sen is not only a powerful confederation in Türkiye, but also a source of inspiration for African trade unions through its principled stance in international platforms, its justice-oriented discourse, and its fraternal approach to global cooperation.”

Highlighting the exemplary nature of Memur-Sen’s relations with trade unions across the African continent, Mezhoud added, “Our goal is not to compete with or undermine others, but to build our common home. The relationship we have with Memur-Sen is growing stronger every day, grounded in our shared values and mutual respect.”

Memur-Sen President Ali Yalçın expressed his appreciation for the visit and extended a special message of gratitude to Algeria through Mezhoud. “Algeria has always stood as a principled nation with an unwavering commitment to justice. Its dignified stance on the Palestinian cause and unwavering solidarity with the oppressed have earned it a special place in our hearts,” Yalçın noted.

The meeting concluded with both leaders reaffirming their commitment to strengthening international trade union cooperation, developing joint initiatives based on shared values, and working together to advance a fair and labour-centered global order.