



**IndustriALL Executive Committee
Resolution in solidarity with Belgian strikes against austerity
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Noting that:

- Belgian unions are currently uniting in a month-long series of strike action.
- The rolling strikes are combatting the right-wing government's austerity measures.
- Important unity between the country's two main trade unions, the FGTB (General Confederations of Belgian Workers) and CSC (Confederations of Christian Trade Unions), makes the strikes stronger and more significant.
- Strikes have already been conducted in a number of industrial sectors.
- Workers have blocked roads and roundabouts to prevent access to airports, harbours and public sector buildings such as schools and colleges.
- Since September 2014 with the coming to power of the coalition of the New Flemish Alliance (NVA) and Reformist Movement (MR), a savage austerity programme has been rolled out by Prime Minister Michel, who is vehemently anti-worker.
- The wide and damaging austerity cuts have been pushed through without any dialogue with unions.

The Executive Committee of IndustriALL Global Union resolves to:

- Convey full and strong support in solidarity with the Belgian Sisters and Brothers at this time of confrontation.
- Demand that the coalition government of Prime Minister Michel consults the unions about cuts in social spending.
- Send this important international solidarity resolution to the Belgian government.