

IndustriALL Executive Committee

Resolution in solidarity with IG Metall members fighting for the preservation of their jobs at ThyssenKrupp in Esslingen

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Noting that:

- 150 IG Metall members are striking since 4 December at, and occupying, the ThyssenKrupp auto supplier site in Esslingen, to demand that the company cancels its plan to close the site before Christmas.
- The site has R&D facilities and the proposed closure does not make business sense.
- IndustriALL Global Union and its affiliates at ThyssenKrupp are currently at an advanced stage of negotiations with the company towards a Global Framework Agreement. IG Metall and IndustriALL are not seeking to stop that process.
- Workers at this location have produced steering systems for the automobile sector for over 20 years.

The Executive Committee of IndustriALL Global Union resolves to:

- Convey full and strong support in solidarity with the German Sisters and Brothers at this time of strike to maintain their jobs.
- Demand that the company reverses the decision to close the plant and to consult with the workers' representatives ways to maintain the jobs.
- Send this important international solidarity resolution to the ThyssenKrupp management.