

**Greetings to the International Automotive Workers' Conference in Pune, India  
from the joint delegation  
(Environmental Union, IEC2026 Coordination Group,  
Women's Association COURAGE, MLPD)  
at the COP30 protests in Belém, Brazil**

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As friends and comrades-in-arms, we send you warm greetings to Pune, India! We wish your conference a successful course, in-depth discussions, and good results.

Here in Belém, Brazil, there is a palpable spirit of optimism for the fight to save our environment. Well over 50,000 people demonstrated in Belém. More than 20,000 attended the Cupola dos Povos, an alternative summit to the COP30 UN Climate Change Conference. The unity of the environmental and labor movements was palpable throughout.

Many Brazilian trade unions are taking up the cause of the protests and the fight for the environment. We have heard that the major trade union federations are discussing environmental issues. On the sidelines of the COP, a congress of the major trade union federations took place, emphasizing the unity of environmental protection and jobs:

*"The Amazon needs structural projects that respect life (...) But we say clearly and unequivocally: no project justifies the destruction of the Amazon or the sacrifice of its workers!"*

Or:

*"The climate emergency is also a labor emergency. Without strong unions, there is no democracy. Without decent work, there is no future. Without social justice, there is no sustainability. A standing forest needs a standing people. And a standing people needs rights, dignity, and decent work!"*

Our International Environmental Council 2026 (IEC 2026) was very well received by visitors to COP30.

We look forward to hearing about your findings at the IAC Environment Forum.

Best regards from sunny Belém, where the temperature is 35°C,

Your colleagues and friends