

Dear participants of the 3rd International Automobile Workers' Conference

Warm greetings from Germany to India! The 3rd International Automotive Workers'

Conference is taking place at a time of far-reaching, dramatic changes. These changes particularly affect automotive workers and their families – but they also present them with particular challenges! The auto industry is facing several deep structural crises. The reorganization of international production is in open crisis, and digitalization and e-mobility are accompanied by far-reaching attacks on auto workers. Numerous international corporations are planning mass layoffs or are already implementing them. The rollback on environmental issues knowingly jeopardizes the basis of human life. In the auto industry in many countries, the transition to a war economy has begun. Modern fascists such as the AfD in Germany are trying to exert particular influence on the working class. We must discuss together: How can we help workers to cope with the petty-bourgeois fascist and anti-communist mindset propagated by those in power?

The danger of fascism and a new world war poses new challenges for auto workers around the world. How can they succeed in leading the fight against this? How can we work together internationally to achieve this?

The goal of the International Auto Workers Coordination is to coordinate the struggles of auto workers under the slogan “No struggle should stand alone!” Important steps have been taken here—but what do we all need to change to make this a reality at the necessary level?

International workers' unity is stronger than the dictatorship of autocratic international finance capital. Let us develop the offensive struggle against the attacks and for a livable future for workers and the masses in unity with nature. We are convinced that this requires the struggle for genuine socialism, in which the enormous productivity, skills, and high cultural level of the workers and masses will be fully realized.

In contrast, the ruling classes all over the world are using anti-communism to divide the working class and rob it of its prospects. Out of fear of the power of international workers' unity, visas have been denied and there have been numerous bureaucratic obstacles and hurdles. The auto workers of the world will never let this stop them.

We wholeheartedly support the non-partisan conference, have been actively involved in the preparations in Germany and on site, and wish it every success.

Long live international solidarity!