Saint-Gobain International Trade Union Network



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Position of the Saint-Gobain international trade union network

On Sunday, 28 October 2018, the people of Brazil elected Jair Messias Bolsonaro as president on an openly fascist and ultraliberal agenda. He will take up office on 1 January 2019. This outcome is extremely worrying, given that Mr Bolsonaro is openly authoritarian, racist, misogynistic and homophobic, speaks fondly about the country's military dictatorship, and has already promised to send his opponents to prison or into exile.

The members of IndustriALL's Saint-Gobain international trade union network, which met in Paris on 31 October 2018, unanimously support the workers of Brazil as well as all those who campaign for union rights and for human and environmental rights in general. We also wish to express our support for women, the LGBT community, the indigenous population, the landless workers' movement, NGOs, environmental activists, journalists, people of all origins, and anyone else who has been or could become a victim of discrimination or violence.

We reaffirm our commitment to safeguarding human rights and democracy and call on Saint-Gobain Group to remain vigilant, to respect and ensure respect for these fundamental principles across the world, and to protect its workers against all forms of violence and discrimination. We also urge the group to continue to comply with the Paris Agreement on climate change adopted at COP 21 on 12 December 2015.

IndustriALL's international Saint-Gobain network continues to stand united and wishes to emphasize the need to build bridges – rather than walls – between people.

Somos todos antifascistas!