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To Vedran Dragicevic
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IndustriALL Global Union in solidarity with SMH-IS at shipyards in Croatia

Dear Brother Vedran,

I am writing this letter to you as the General Secretary of [IndustriALL Global Union](http://www.industriall-union.org), which represents more than fifty million workers in mining, energy and manufacturing sectors throughout the world, to express our full support and solidarity with SMH-IS's struggle to defend workers' rights at the Uljanik shipyard in Pula and the 3.Maj shipyard in Rijeka in the Istrian Peninsula, Croatia.

IndustriALL Global Union fully supports the struggle of SMH-IS to defend jobs in the shipbuilding industry in Croatia. In particular, we support your efforts and contribution to a restructuring process aimed at maintaining shipbuilding as a key industry in the country, and achieve the involvement of the Government of Croatia and the European Union to ensure the financial viability of the shipyards, including bank loans, and guarantee employment.

IndustriALL Global Union stands shoulder to shoulder with the metal workers at Uljanik and 3.Maj in their fight to defend fundamental workers' rights.

In solidarity,



Valter Sanches
General Secretary