

Brussels, 14 May 2024

IG BAU
For attention of
Robert Feiger, Federal Chairman
Carsten Burckhardt, Member of the Federal Executive Board

Dear colleagues,

The European Federation of Building and Woodworkers (EFBWW) expresses its solidarity with and strongly supports the call to strike in the construction sector in Germany.

The strike was called by IG BAU, after three unsuccessful negotiations and the employers' rejection of the arbitrator's decision to pay construction workers 250 euros more per month, with after eleven months an additional 4.15% in the west and almost 5% in the east.

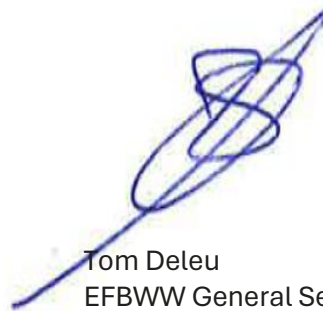
We support IG BAU's decision to go for a strike for its original demand: 500 euros more per month across all wage groups. The EFBWW will support IG BAU's actions, which are expected to be lengthy as there are two employer organisations.

It is time to recognise the importance of a sector that employs 930,000 women and men in Germany! It is time to value the essential work of construction workers!



In solidarity,

Johan Lindholm
EFBWW President



Tom Deleu
EFBWW General Secretary

