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STATEMENT BY THE EUROPEAN DOCKWORKERS COUNCIL · EDC ·

European Dockworkers gathered in Vigo, Spain, for their annual General Assembly on 14 and 15 October 2026.

At a time when we are facing attacks by the European Commission on our rights and social rights, the European strategy will not spare our ports. EDC must respond to these attacks, particularly regarding militarization, punitive environmental policies such as the Emissions Trading System (ETS), automation, and trade union freedoms.

Following a thorough debate, EDC calls for a day of strike action and protest on 30 October in all ports affiliated with EDC, using all appropriate forms of mobilization.

True to our values of struggle and solidarity among peoples and workers, EDC will stand in the fight on 30 October.

- No to the unchecked expansion of automation
- No to punitive environmental policies, including the ETS
- No to the militarization of our ports
- No to the dismantling of our social rights and to trade union repression