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## La solidarietà internazionale alle lavoratrici Piaggio in lotta



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### **Note of solidarity with the struggle of Piaggio workers**

#### **For its integration in the company's board**

This National Federation of Unions of Workers in Public and Social Functions, responding to the appeal of USB-Italy, affirms its solidarity with the fair struggle of Piaggio workers for the right to employment with their reintegration in the company's staff and the end of the systematic use of precarious hiring for permanent jobs.

In Portugal many public and private sector workers are struggling and also struggling against the problem of contractual precariousness and the dismissal that has its genesis in the imposition by capital governments in each country, of the antilabor laws imposed by the reigning neoliberalism emanating from European Community.

Count on the workers of Portugal in your struggle!

For the valorization of work and workers!

We wish success for the struggle of Piaggio workers!

**February 2020**  
**FNSTFPS**

### **Solidarity statement with Piaggio's CT women workers**

LAB class oriented from the Basque Country sends its solidarity and support with Piaggio's women workers in struggle in Italy for the right to employment.

The CT women workers were fired after 12 years of precarious employment and recently occupied a roof of a building near the company calling for negotiation. Piaggio makes continuous use of social shock absorbers, fixed-term contracts and vertical part-time contracts, in other words, it uses all possible ways to increase its profits at the expense of decent working conditions.

All workers at Piaggio's CT are women, and its struggle shows women special precariousness job conditions. Recently in the Basque Country the majority trade union movement called a general strike. Some of the general strike's demands were narrow all the gaps existing between men and women because in the Basque Country:

- The unemployment rate for women is 10.2% (7.9% for men).
- Nearly 80% of part-time jobs are filled by women.
- Working women earn 13.8% less per hour.
- 69% of the population with the lowest pensions are women.

In the general strike we demanded also:

- The end salaries and pension gaps suffered by women
- Revoke the part-time jobs imposed on women
- Guarantee of no discrimination for your sexual origin, ideology, sexual identity or functional diversity.
- Dignity for home works and care works, and the recognition with other jobs same rights.

It exists a patriarchal debt with women; because to a greater or lesser extent all care works have been in the charge of women and free, and the capitalist system and all the society has got profit with this situation.

For these reasons, we send all of our solidarity with Piaggio's CT women workers and with Italian

USB trade union in its struggle against precariousness job conditions and for the reintegration of

these workers in their jobs. We join our voice to this struggle.

### **Basque Country on 19th February 2020**

Athens, Greece - 19 February 2020

### **Italy: WFTU solidarity with PIAGGIO's CT women workers**

The World Federation of Trade Unions (WFTU), as the only worldwide expression of the international class-oriented trade union movement, sends its internationalist solidarity with the PIAGGIO's CT women workers, who after 12 years of precarious employment were left at home by Piaggio and have occupied a building's roof near the company, asking for a meeting.

The large class union of the WFTU supports the workers' just demands and adds its voice to the one of our affiliate, the USB Italy, which asks for the reintegration of the workers in the company, which grinds profits and produces precarious jobs.

At the same time, the WFTU denounces Piaggio's practices which continue to promote fixed-term contracts and vertical part-time contracts in order to maximize their profits, at the expense of decent working conditions. Once more, it is clearly shown that the same attack has been unleashed against the working classes all across the European Union; so, it is highlighted that the workers should counter-attack in an organized and coordinated way, against the policies of the European Union, World Bank and IMF.

In that sense, we firmly stand with our colleagues in Italy and we demand the immediate satisfaction of their rightful demands.

Long live international solidarity!

**The WFTU Secretariat**

**LABOR TODAY: STRUGGLING PIAGGIO WORKERS NEED AND DESERVE OUR SUPPORT**

By Joseph Hancock, Editor, Labor Today  
and Frank Goldsmith, Associate and International Editor, Labor Today  
International solidarity with struggling Piaggio workers

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