



International Day of Action of Dockworkers and Port Workers

30 October 2026

Against war and militarization

>>> NO Deregulation! NO Automation! <<<

Ports For Peace. Jobs With Dignity.

Following the Third International Meeting of Mediterranean and European Dockworkers' and Port Workers' Unions, held in Istanbul in May 2026, the participating unions have launched a common international day of action on **30 October 2026**.

The meeting focused on the struggle against wars, genocide and military aggression, while also addressing the challenges facing dockworkers and port workers, including wages, working conditions, automation projects, and occupational health and safety.

The participating organizations, **CGT Ports and Docks (France)**, **ENEDEP (Greece)**, **LAB (Basque Country)**, **Liman-İş (Turkey)**, **ODT (Morocco)**, and **USB (Italy)**, representing workers in more than **40 Mediterranean and European ports**, are calling on dockworkers and port workers to mobilize together on **30 October 2026**.

This mobilization is based on the **Istanbul Declaration**, adopted unanimously by the participating organizations and now fully endorsed by **ORSA Porti of Gioia Tauro (Italy)**, which has joined our international network.

The declaration sets out the following demands:

- An immediate end to the genocide of the Palestinian people and recognition of an independent Palestinian state, recognized by the international community, within the 1967 borders and with East Jerusalem as its capital.
- An end to the US-Israeli wars of aggression in the Middle East and against Iran, and full solidarity with the peoples of Cuba, Venezuela and Sudan, alongside support for the right of all peoples to resist occupation and to self-determination.
- Ports must not be used for the transport of arms, ammunition, military equipment or troops destined for war zones. They must not become military bases for NATO, the United States or the European Union, nor serve as tools for shipowners and monopoly groups.
- **No** to the war economy, government rearmament plans, and the project of militarization of ports and strategic infrastructure from EU. Public resources must be used to meet people's social needs, not to finance war.
- Collective agreements must guarantee real wage increases, secure employment, reduced working hours, and fair pension provisions.
- Technological progress, mechanization, automation and artificial intelligence must not be used to eliminate jobs or undermine workers' rights. **Dockworkers and port workers say NO to automation.**

On 30 October, all actions will be united as part of a common international struggle to stop wars, genocide and the militarization of ports at a very critical moment in history, while defending workers' rights and better working conditions. Each union will decide the most appropriate form of mobilization according to its national circumstances, starting from strike action and from a shared commitment to prevent the loading of death and destruction.

>>>The signatory trade unions of the Istanbul Declaration call on ALL dockworkers' and port workers' unions to join this international mobilization. We are ready to meet with organized groups of dockworkers and port workers from any other ports interested in becoming part of this common struggle.

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