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Dear Stefano, Dear Salvatore, Dear Claudio,
Dear colleagues,

ETF solidarity after railway accident near Brandizzo

We were deeply saddened to hear about the rail accident near Brandizzo that cost the lives of five railway workers and left others injured and in shock.

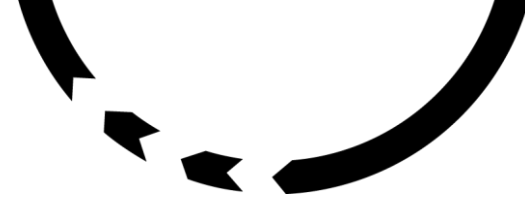
On behalf of the European Transport Workers' Federation (ETF) and all our members, we offer our sincerest condolences to the loved ones and colleagues of the victims. Our thoughts are also with those colleagues who witnessed this tragic accident and responded immediately afterwards. Please pass on our well wishes to those who were injured, we hope they make a speedy and full recovery.

Unfortunately, this accident is one in a sequence of many deadly accidents in rail infrastructure maintenance in Italy, where the victims are often workers of subcontracting companies. Pending the results of the investigation into the causes of this accident, we reiterate that subcontracting undermines safety in railway operations and maintenance.

All necessary measures need to be taken to make safety on and around the tracks the top priority, so that such a tragedy may never happen again. Therefore, ETF stands in solidarity with your unions and rail infrastructure maintenance workers in their strike action today, calling for a safe workplace.



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We wish all involved the strength and peace you need in the aftermath of this tragic occurrence.

In solidarity,

Frank Moreels
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