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**Three-year agreement with a value of 6.5 per cent.  
Real wage increase and continued allocation to part-time pensions.  
In addition to the agreement value – a low-wage effort.**

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## New agreements for industrial unions

**Today, 31 March, IF Metall together with the Swedish Unions within Industry signed new agreements with the various employers in industry. The agreement has a value of 6.5 per cent and a term of three years. “We went into these agreement negotiations with three clear demands: more money in our wallets, greater allocation to part-time pensions and a clear low-wage effort, all of which we succeeded in getting through,” says IF Metall’s Association Chairman Anders Ferbe.**

The priorities on the part of the unions were very distinct and clear and, backed by the support of the members, the negotiation delegations firmly stood by them. “The extra low-wage effort, which we in the LO unions had agreed on and have now pushed through, will benefit the people at the bottom of the wage ladder,” says Anders Ferbe.

These results are evidence of a coordinated union strength. The employers wanted to extend the so-called corridor (working weekends without overtime), order more overtime and have more to say about holidays. “We stopped all of the demands for worse terms that they were pushing without swapping out any of the demands we decided we had to push through,” Anders Ferbe.

The agreements are valid from 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2020 and the final agreement year can be terminated. The agreement value is 6.5 per cent, divided between wage increases of 6 per cent and pension allocations of 0.5 per cent.

In addition to this, an effort will be made for the lowest wages in the LO unions. For full-time work below SEK 24,000 per month, there will be a higher wage pool to distribute.

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