

# Trade unions and worker cooperatives: Where are we at?

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May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013 -- Room VI, R3 – ILO – Geneva, Switzerland

## **Opening**

9h00 - 9h15      Introductions ACTRAV and COOP

## **Session 1      Cases from South and North America**

Chair: TBA

9h15 – 11h00      Sindicatos y Cooperativas en la Perspectiva de Cicopa - Mercosur  
José Jorbeiceita & Arildo Motta Lopez  
Workers' Cooperatives in Argentina -The Asociacion Nacional de Trabajadores Autogestionados (ANTA) within the Workers' Central of Argentina

Bruno Dobrusin

Syndicalisme et Soutien à l'entrepreneuriat collectif: l'expérience Québec-Brésil

Claude Dorion & Arildo Motta Lopez

Discussant: TBA

11h00– 11h20      COFFEE BREAK

## **Session 2      Cases from Africa and Asia**

Chair: Jürgen Schwettman

11h20 – 13h00      What Works for Workers' Cooperatives in India?  
Dr. Vrajlal Sapovadia & Akash Patel  
The Experience of Syndicoop in Africa: A Model for trade union action?  
Stirling Smith  
Discussant: Huseyin Polat

13h00 – 14h30 LUNCH BREAK

**Session 3** Cases from Europe

Chair: TBA

14h30 – 16h15 Argentina's experience as lesson for Crisis in Europe?

Kristine Hille

Italian Social Cooperatives and Trade Unions in the crisis era

Robert Cardinale, Chiara Migliorin & Francesca Zarri

Win - Win trade unions and worker co-operatives

Marina Monaco & Gianluca Pastorelli

Discussant: TBA

16h15 – 16h30 COFFEE BREAK

**Closing Session** **Moving a workers' agenda on cooperatives**

16h30 – 17h30 Synthesis: Rafael Peels, COOP