Resolution on transport network companies – "Transporting tomorrow"

The ILO Tripartite Sectoral Meeting on Safety and Health in the Road Transport Sector having met in Geneva on 12–16 October 2015,

Reiterating the important role the road transport industry plays in contributing to the global socio-economic development and the need to constantly improve the quality and safety of transport services as well as the working conditions and lives of its workers,

Bearing in mind the Sustainable Development Goal 11 (target 11.2) which calls for providing access to safe, affordable and sustainable transport systems for all, improving road safety, notably by expanding public transport, with special attention to the needs of those in vulnerable situations, women, children, persons with disabilities and older persons,

Sharing the common objective of promoting innovation and the use of latest technology in full compliance with the legislative and regulatory framework,

Highlighting, the need for a level playing field which ensures that all transport network companies are covered by the same legal and regulatory framework as established for transport companies, in order to avoid a negative impact on job security, working conditions and road safety and to avoid an informalization of the formal economy,

Further highlighting the importance of decisions taken by competent authorities or judiciary in relation to self-proclaimed "ride-sharing" for-reward transport platforms, to be fully implemented and enforced,

Emphasising the need to promote social dialogue and observe the fundamental principles and rights at work and human rights as defined by the "Universal Declaration of Human Rights" and the "ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and its Follow-up" in particular when an industry is in its transformation,

Invites the Governing Body to:

- (a) invite governments, social partners and the International Labour Office (Office), within their respective mandates, to elaborate, promote and implement rules and regulations that promote occupational safety and health and innovation while at the same time ensuring a level playing field for all in line with the ILO's Decent Work Agenda and within the context of the ILO Future of Work debate;
- (b) call upon the competent authorities of the member States of the ILO to ensure that national rules and regulations in relation to self-proclaimed "ride-sharing" for-reward transport platforms are fully implemented and enforced; and
- (c) invite the Office to collect and disseminate statistics and information on the "sharing economy" or "on-demand economy" and its impacts on decent work.