

TENTATIVE MORNING AGENDA

Open to the wider business community and invited expert speakers

08.30 – 09.00	Coffee, registration and networking
09.00 – 09.15	Welcoming Remarks <i>This session will set the scene by providing a background and rationale to the workshop along with setting the objectives.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr Wade Bromley, Senior Technical Specialist, ILO Global Business Network on Forced Labour and Human Trafficking• Ms Bhawani Rana, Federation of Nepalese Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FNCCI) (TBC)• Mr Richard Howard, Director, ILO Nepal
09.15 – 10.30	Responsible Business Conduct <i>This session will chart the trajectory of changing global markets and consumer demands, touching on the increasingly important role responsible business conduct is playing in productivity and competitiveness for firms of all sizes and locations. Invited guest panellists will then share different perspectives on the business case for action by SME. Panellists will include representatives from leading companies, industry groups and international experts.</i> Presentations followed by plenary Q and A
10.30 – 10.45	Coffee/Networking break
10.45 – 12.00	Tools, Capacity and Innovation <i>This session will introduce new tools provided by the ILO to assist E/BMO and SME, including the “General principles and operational guidelines for fair recruitment”, “SCORE – Improving working conditions and productivity in SMEs”, and the SME Competitiveness Audit Tool currently being developed. Expert panellists will then be invited to share other innovations and good practices in relation to what E/BMO, companies and others are doing to support SMEs in upgrading their operations.</i> Presentations followed by plenary discussion
12.00 – 13.00	Lunch

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Open only to SME and EBMO

1300 - 1415	<p>Competing in Global and Regional Supply Chains</p> <p>This session will explore a number of questions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What are the key opportunities or pressures motivating SMEs to invest in RBC and sustainability?• Are supply chain requirements discriminating against SMEs?• Where has progress been made in different industries/locations?• What SME policies and related measures produce good results in terms of creating additional and decent employment through sustainable enterprise development• How are SME collaborating?• What role are E/BMOs playing and what services are needed?• What are the main constraints faced by E/BMOs and different SME segments? <p>Group work followed by plenary feedback and discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Facilitated by Wade Bromley, Senior Technical Specialist, ILO
14.15 – 15.15	<p>Making Responsible Business Work for SME - The Global Business Network on Forced Labour and Human Trafficking</p> <p><i>This session will introduce the ILO Global Business Network and its relevance, before exploring practical ways support could be extended to address the unmet needs of E/BMOs and SME. The goal will be to draw on the experience and knowledge of participants in helping to formulate a practical program for the Business Network to pursue in 2018-2019, as well as a strategy for ensuring constructive dialogue between SMEs and local businesses and other stakeholders on sensitive topics like forced labour and human trafficking.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wade Bromley, Senior Technical Officer, ILO Global Business Network on Forced Labour and Human Trafficking <p>Presentation followed by group work, feedback and discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Activity facilitated by Mr Wade Bromley• Feedback and discussion moderated by Mr Ravindra Peirus
1515 - 1530	<p>Closing Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms Bhawani Rana, Federation of Nepalese Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FNCCI) (TBC)• Mr Richard Howard, Director, ILO Nepal