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Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work Sector

International labour standards

I/1. Regional Seminar for Government Officials of Latin America on Convention No. 169: Content and Implementation in the Contexts of the Region

Proposed date: 23–25 November 2011

Place: Managua, Nicaragua

Financing: Government of Spain (US\$42,500)

Geographical coverage: Argentina, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Chile,

Colombia, Ecuador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua,

Panama, Paraguay, Peru

Composition of participants:

Governments: 22 (two from each country)

Purpose of the meeting: To improve the knowledge of a significant group of

government officials in Latin America about the content of Convention No. 169, an instrument of social dialogue

to promote the rights of indigenous peoples.

Resource persons: One expert with experience in working with indigenous

peoples from the perspective of the legislation and its implementation at the state level, preferably with knowledge of all the countries included in the project

Relevance to international labour

standards and other texts:

Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention, 1989

(No. 169)

Working language: Spanish

Employers' activities

I/2. Regional Seminar for Employers' Organizations of Latin America: Convention No. 169: Content and Implementation in the Contexts of the Region

Proposed date: 29–30 September 2011

Place: Bogotá, Colombia

Financing: Government of Spain (US\$40,700)

Geographical coverage: Argentina, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Chile,

Colombia, Ecuador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua,

Panama, Paraguay, Peru

Composition of participants:

Employers: 22 (two from each country)

Purpose of the meeting: To improve the knowledge of a significant group of

employers' organizations in Latin America about the content of Convention No. 169, an instrument of social dialogue to promote the rights of indigenous peoples.

Resource persons: Two representatives of the International Organisation of

Employers (IOE)

One expert with experience in working with indigenous peoples from the perspective of employers' organizations

Relevance to international labour

standards and other texts:

Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention, 1989

(No. 169)

Working language: Spanish

Workers' activities

I/3. Regional Seminar for Workers' Organizations of Latin America, Convention No. 169: Content and Implementation in the Contexts of the Region

Proposed date: 10–11 November 2011

Place: Asunción, Paraguay

Financing: Government of Spain (US\$44,480)

Geographical coverage: Argentina, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Chile,

Colombia, Ecuador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua,

Panama, Paraguay, Peru

Composition of participants:

Workers: 24

Purpose of the meeting: To improve the knowledge of a significant group of trade

unions in Latin America about the content of Convention No. 169, an instrument of social dialogue to promote the

rights of indigenous peoples.

Resource persons: Expert with experience in working with indigenous

peoples from the perspective of workers' organizations

Relevance to international labour

standards and other texts:

Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention, 1989

(No. 169)

Working language: Spanish

I/4. Andean Workshop on the Efficiency of Labour Law: Challenges and Opportunities

Proposed date: 22–24 November 2011

Place: Bogotá, Colombia

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$45,625)

Geographical coverage: Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Colombia, Ecuador, Peru,

Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

Composition of participants:

Workers: 19 (3 from the Plurinational State of Bolivia, 3 from

Colombia, 4 from Ecuador, 4 from Peru and 5 from the

Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela)

Purpose of the meeting: (i) to identify the main obstacles that hinder the

implementation and enforcement of international labour standards at the national level in the Andean

countries;

(ii) to identify positive experiences of promoting and

enforcing international labour standards.

Resource persons: Colombian university professors specialized in labour-

related issues

Colombian judicial authorities and the ombudsperson

Observers: Colombian organizations promoting human rights and

international trade union cooperation

Six representatives of Colombian trade unions (2 from each of the main unions of the country: Central Unitaria de Trabajadores de Colombia (CUT), Confederación General del Trabajo (CGT) and Confederación de

Trabajadores de Colombia (CTC))

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), Labour Inspection (Agriculture) Convention, 1969 (No. 129), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), Labour Administration Convention, 1978 (No. 150), Labour Relations (Public Service) Convention, 1978 (No. 151), Collective Bargaining Convention, 1981 (No. 154), Protection of Workers' Claims (Employer's Insolvency) Convention, 1992 (No. 173), Voluntary Conciliation and Arbitration Recommendation, 1951 (No. 92), Co-operation at the Level of the Undertaking Recommendation, 1952 (No. 94), Employment Relationship Recommendation, 2006 (No. 198)

Working language: Spanish

I/5. Regional Conference to Follow up on the Campaign for Ratification and Application of ILO Conventions Nos 87 and 98

Proposed date: 17–19 August 2011

Place: Kathmandu, Nepal

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$60,000)

Geographical coverage: Bangladesh, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Malaysia,

Nepal, Thailand, Viet Nam

Composition of participants:

Workers: 24

Purpose of the Conference: (i) to review developments that have taken place in the

campaign for the ratification and implementation of Conventions Nos 87 and 98 since 2009 and to revise

and further develop the campaign strategy;

(ii) to establish links with the joint ratification campaign

on core Conventions;

(iii) to establish a strategy to find effective ways to work as a team with national centres, the International

Trade Union Confederation – Asia–Pacific and the

Global Union federations.

Resource person: One consultant for the ratification campaign

Observers: International Trade Union Confederation – Asia–Pacific

Public Services International (PSI)

Building and Wood Workers International (BWI)

UNI Global Union

International Transport Workers' Federation (ITF)

International Metalworkers' Federation (IMF)

International Textile, Garment and Leather Workers'

Federation (ITGWLF)

International Union of Food, Agricultural, Hotel, Restaurant, Catering, Tobacco and Allied Workers'

Associations (IUF)

Education International (EI)

International Federation of Chemical, Energy, Mine and

General Workers' Unions (ICEM)

Ministry of Labour, Nepal

Relevance to international labour

standards:

Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98) and

ILO core Conventions²

Working language: English

I/6. Enhance the Value of Work, Eliminate Gender Segregation and Follow-up on Conventions Nos 100 and 111 in Public Employment

Proposed date: 23–24 November 2011

Place: Quito, Ecuador

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$15,000)

Friedrich Ebert Foundation – Latin American Institute for

Social Research (FES-ILDIS) (US\$8,100)

Universidad Andina Simon Bolivar (UASB) (US\$2,000)

Public Services International (PSI) (US\$7,340)

² Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182).

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Geographical coverage:

Argentina, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Nicaragua, Peru, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

Composition of participants:

Workers:

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Purpose of the meeting:

- (i) to undertake a conceptual analysis of the guiding principles of gender equity in the workplace from the standpoint of international labour standards;
- (ii) to identify the role of freedom of association and collective bargaining as instruments for the effective application of ILO Conventions Nos 100 and 111;
- (iii) to reflect on the inter-agency process developed for wage equity: timeline, actors, agreements and progress in Latin America;
- (iv) to share the proposal and achievements of the pilot projects in each of the public sector institutions of the Andean countries and to endorse their achievements;
- (v) to discuss the processes of state reform in Latin America and the relevance including as alternative proposals the models generated by the pilot projects;
- (vi) to define an agenda and agree on the technical support necessary for its implementation.

Resource persons:

An expert on wage equity from PSI

Representatives from the governments of the participating countries

Observers:

Four observers from PSI

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Labour Relations (Public

Service) Convention, 1978 (No. 151), Collective

Bargaining Convention, 1981 (No. 154)

Working language:

Spanish

I/7. Trade Union Training Seminar on Using ILS ³ and European Legal Instruments to Strengthen Trade Union Rights in South-East Europe

Proposed date: 29–30 November 2011

Place: Belgrade, Serbia

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$20,000)

Geographical coverage: Croatia, Serbia, The former Yugoslav Republic of

Macedonia

Composition of participants:

Workers: 14

Purpose of the meeting: (i) to build the capacity of trade unions to make a better

use of the ILO and European legal instruments in

protecting workers and trade union rights;

(ii) to facilitate sharing of information and learning of

lessons of good and bad practices across the

subregion;

(iii) to help trade unions develop policy and programmes to strengthen representation of workers at the various

levels and enhance respect of trade union rights.

Resource persons: One expert from the academic world

Two trade union experts

Observers: International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Workers' Representatives Convention, 1971 (No. 135), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), Labour Relations (Public Service) Convention, 1978 (No. 151), Collective Bargaining Convention, 1981 (No. 154), Employment Relationship Recommendation,

Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to

2006 (No. 198)

Working languages: English, Macedonian and Serbo-Croatian

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³ International labour standards.

Child labour

I/8. Subregional Workshop on the Elimination of Hazardous Child Labour for Select Caribbean Countries

Proposed date: 11–13 October 2011

Place: St. George's, Grenada

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$56,000)

Geographical coverage: Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Dominica, Grenada,

Guyana, Jamaica, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago

Composition of participants:

Governments: 9

Employers: 9

Workers: 9

Purpose of the meeting:

(i) to raise awareness and provide skills for preparing

lists of hazardous work through internal consultations

and collaboration;

(ii) to address the comments of the Committee of Experts

on the Application of Conventions and

Recommendations on the application of Convention No. 182, with specific reference to hazardous work;

(iii) to raise awareness of links between hazardous work that may involve children and the need to protect all

workers from hazardous work through the

application of labour standards.

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child

Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182), Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health, 2006

(No. 187), Worst Forms of Child Labour Recommendation, 1999 (No. 190)

Working language: English

I/9. Technical Visit for Exchange of Experiences, Policies and Programmes in order to Protect Young Workers Aged between 14 and 17 years

Proposed date: 29 August–1 September 2011

Place: Brasilia, Brazil

Financing: Government of Brazil (US\$30,000)

Government of United States (US\$10,000)

Geographical coverage: Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Brazil, Ecuador, Paraguay

Composition of participants:

Governments: 8 (two from each country)

Employers: 4

Workers: 4

Purpose of the meeting: (i) to support the implementation of the initiative of

South—South cooperation for the eradication of child labour through the exchange of good practices adopted by the Governments of Brazil, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Ecuador and Paraguay;

(ii) to promote and strengthen the development of policies and programmes to meet the specific needs

of young workers aged between 14 and 17 years who are engaged in child labour and its worst forms, with special attention to the situation of the girls aged

between 14 and 17 years.

Resource persons: Four experts in professional training

Relevance to international labour

standards and other texts:

Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms

of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182)

Working languages: Spanish and Portuguese

Employment Sector

Labour market analysis

I/10. International Forum "Employment, Youth and Democratic Governance"

Proposed date: 12–13 December 2011

Place: Lima, Peru

Financing: RBTC (US\$170,000)

Geographical coverage: Argentina, Barbados, Bolivia (Plurinational State of),

Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama,

Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay

and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

Composition of participants:

Governments: 24

Employers: 24

Workers: 24

Purpose of the meeting: (i) to exchange ideas about lessons learned from the

crisis and future prospects in a context of uncertainty

of the global economy;

(ii) to analyse public policies applied in the region to create jobs and decent work, particularly for youth,

and their relationship with the demands of labour market, education, formation and the role of

enterprises;

(iii) to think together on how to advance towards sustainable and inclusive development focused on

the Decent Work Agenda, with the aim of converting the region into a continent with dynamic economic growth, high productivity, equity, social inclusion and employment opportunities and decent living for

all, especially for young people.

Resource persons: Ten high-level experts from academic institutions and

from the political world as panellists

Governing Body members from Latin America

A representative from the International Trade Union

Confederation (ITUC)

A representative from the International Organisation of

Employers (IOE)

Observers:

Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)

Inter-American Development Bank (IADB)

World Bank

Organization of American States (OAS)

Brazilian Cooperation Agency

Development Bank of Latin America

Central American Bank of Economic Integration

Spanish Agency for International Cooperation and Development

United States Department of Labor (USDOL)

International Development Research Centre (Canada)

Common Market of the Southern Cone (MERCOSUR)

Andean Community of Nations

Caribbean Community (CARICOM)

Central American Integration System

North American Free Trade Association (NAFTA)

European Commission

German Society for International Cooperation (GIZ)

European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training (CEDEFOP)

European Training Foundation (ETF)

Tripartite Foundation for Professional Training (Spain)

Telephonic Foundation, MasterCard Foundation

International Institute for Education Planning – United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization (IIEP–UNESCO)

Skills and Employability Network for Asia-Pacific

Association of Community Colleges (Canada)

American Association of Community Colleges (AACC)

International Association of Family Movements for Rural Training

Technological Institute of Monterrey, UNITAR (Brasilia Office)

Institute for Youth (Spain)

Entra 21 (IADB Project)

International Youth Foundation

Ibero-American Youth Organization

Technological Laboratory of Uruguay (LATU)

Training institutions members of the ILO-CINTERFOR Network:

Brazil: SENAI (National Service for Industrial Learning)

Colombia: SENA (National Training Service)

Guatemala: INTECAP (Technical Institute for Training and Productivity)

Mexico: CONOCER (National Council for Standards and Certification of Labour Competencies)

Panama: INADEH (National Professional Training Institute for Human Development)

Peru: SENATI (National Industrial Training Service)

Dominican Republic: INFOTEP (Professional and Technical Training Institute)

Other institutions:

Brazil: SEBRAE (Brazilian Service for Support to Microand Small Enterprises)

Colombia: COLCIENCIAS (Administrative Department for Science, Technology and Innovation)

Mexico: CONICYT (National Commission for Scientific and Technological Research)

Uruguay: ANII (National Agency for Research and Innovation)

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Paid Educational Leave Convention, 1974 (No. 140), Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Human Resources Development Recommendation, 2004 (No. 195), Resolution concerning skills for improved productivity, employment growth and development adopted by the International Labour Conference in June 2010 and ILO core Conventions ⁴

Working languages: English, Spanish and Portuguese

⁴ Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182).

Skills and employability

I/11. Subregional Meeting on Promoting Decent Work for People with Disabilities through Inclusion

Proposed date: 3-5 August 2011 Place: Nadi, Fiji Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$30,000) Geographical coverage: Fiji, Samoa, Vanuatu Composition of participants: Governments: 3 3 **Employers:** 3 Workers: Purpose of the Meeting: (i) to review the status of, and identify gaps in, legislation and policies, programmes and services relating to the promotion of skills development and inclusion of persons with disabilities; (ii) to gain and share knowledge of best practices on disability inclusion in the Asia-Pacific region; (iii) to increase awareness of regional and global network activities for inclusion of people with disabilities in the region; (iv) to encourage participating countries to take tripartite action at the national level on promoting policies and programmes on inclusive vocational training, education and employment to further support the Pacific Plan; (v) to explore and endorse sectoral interventions such as sustainable tourism to address accessibility and inclusion of people with disabilities. Resource persons: Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific Disabled persons organizations from Fiji, Samoa and Vanuatu

Ministry of Labour of Fiji

Observers: Pacific Disability Forum

AusAID

Shra-Gri-La

Tanao Hotel Group

Pacific Hotel Group

South Pacific Tourism Organization (SPTO)

International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)

International Organisation of Employers (IOE)

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (Disabled Persons) Convention, 1983 (No. 159), and United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Working language: English

Crisis response and reconstruction

I/12. Closing Conference: The Global Jobs Pact: Supporting Strategies to Recover from the Crisis in Southern Eastern Europe

Proposed date: 12–13 October 2011

Place: Split, Croatia

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$75,000)

Geographical coverage: Croatia, Czech Republic, Serbia, Slovenia, The former

Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

Composition of participants:

Governments: 8

Employers: 10

Workers: 10

Purpose of the meeting: (i) to share knowledge on crisis recovery experiences of

the Balkan countries;

(ii) to define the main characteristics and features of

successful policy design options for sustainable

recovery;

(iii) to propose recommendations for a jobs-led recovery and to stimulate and influence policy debate, both in

individual countries and among the international

organizations.

Resource persons: Expert, author of the cross-country report

Consultants from Croatia, The former Yugoslav Republic

of Macedonia and Serbia

Experts from the International Monetary Fund, the World

Bank and the European Commission

Two employers' representatives from two multinational

companies (Gorenje and CEMEX)

Two workers' representatives from two multinational

companies (Fiat and Gorenje)

Relevance to international labour

standards:

Unemployment Convention, 1919 (No. 2), Unemployment Provision Convention, 1934 (No. 44),

Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), Social Policy (Non-Metropolitan Territories) Convention, 1947 (No. 82), Protection of Wages Convention, 1949 (No. 95), Social Security (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1952 (No. 102), Social Policy (Basic Aims and Standards) Convention, 1962 (No. 117), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Minimum Wage Fixing Convention, 1970 (No. 131), Workers' Representatives Convention, 1971 (No. 135), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), Labour Administration Convention, 1981 (No. 154), Labour Statistics Convention, 1985 (No. 160),

Employment Promotion and Protection against

Unemployment Convention, 1988 (No. 168), Protection of Workers' Claims (Employer's Insolvency) Convention,

1992 (No. 173)

Working languages: English, Croatian, Macedonian and Serbian

Social Protection Sector

Occupational safety and health

I/13. Caribbean Training Workshop for Labour Inspectors of the Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) – ILO Occupational Safety and Health and the Environment (OSHE) Programme for the Caribbean

Proposed date: 22–24 June 2011

Place: St. John's, Antigua and Barbuda

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$57,532)

Geographical coverage: Antigua and Barbuda, Dominica, Grenada, Saint Kitts and

Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, as well as the following territories: Anguilla, Montserrat and

British Virgin Islands

Composition of participants:

Governments: 36 (labour inspectors and officers of the ministries of

labour of the OECS)

Purpose of the meeting: To enhance the knowledge and skills of labour inspectors

from the OECS in the field of occupational safety and

health and the environment.

Resource persons: One local consultant/trainer

Pan-American Health Organization (PAHO), World Health Organization (WHO) representative for the OECS

Observers: Representatives of:

United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

Caribbean Community (CARICOM) - Focal Point in

OSHE Network

Relevance to international labour

standards and other texts:

Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), Labour Inspection (Agriculture) Convention, 1969 (No. 129), Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981 (No. 155), Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health, 2006 (No. 187), and related

Recommendations

Working language: English

I/14. Tripartite Workshop on the Formulation and Implementation of National Occupational Safety and Health Programmes for Selected English-Speaking African Countries

Proposed date: 8–9 December 2011

Place: Johannesburg, South Africa

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$70,000)

Geographical coverage: Botswana, Ghana, Kenya, Mauritius, Namibia,

Seychelles, South Africa

Composition of participants:

Governments: 14

Employers: 7

Workers: 7

Purpose of the meeting: To strengthen the capacity of participating countries

to develop, launch and implement national occupational safety and health programmes as an integral part of the promotion and fostering of a preventative safety and health culture that is based on a systems approach in line with the Occupational Safety and Health Plan of Action (2010–16) adopted by the Governing Body of the International Labour Organization at its 307th Session (March 2010).

Observers: Government officials from South Africa

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Workers with Family Responsibilities Convention, 1981 (No. 156), Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 2006 (No. 187)

Working language: English

Social security

I/15. Subregional Meeting of Experts on Pension Reform in Central and Eastern Europe

Proposed date: 6–7 October 2011

Place: Warsaw, Poland

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$53,000)

Geographical coverage: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Republic of Moldova, Poland,

Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, The former

Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Ukraine

Composition of participants:

Governments: 14

Employers: 4 (one local)
Workers: 4 (one local)

Purpose of the Meeting: (i) to share good practices and lessons learned in

pension reforms at national level;

(ii) to provide a policy forum to discuss key issues in

pension reform in Central and Eastern Europe.

Observers: Representatives of:

Government of Poland

Employers' organizations of Poland

Polish Confederation of Private Employers (Lewiatan)

Independent Self-Governing Trade Union "Solidarity"

All-Poland Alliance of Trade Unions

Tripartite Commission for Socio-Economic Affairs, Poland

Tripartite Branch Teams, Poland

Social Insurance Department

Agricultural Social Insurance Fund, Poland

Polish Society for Social Policy

Institute of Public Affairs, Poland

Institute for Strategic Studies, Poland

Institute of Social Policy, Warsaw University

Institute of Social Economy and Department of Social Insurance, Warsaw School of Economics

Department of Labour and Social Policy, Poznan University of Economics

Jagiellonian University

Institute of Finance, Banking and Insurance, University of Lodz

Gdansk Institute for Market Economics (GIME)

Adam Smith Research Centre, Poland

Center for Social and Economic Research (CASE)

Polish Union of Pensioners and the Disabled

One representative from an academic institution

Two representatives of international organizations

Eight government representatives

Relevance to international labour standards:

Resource persons:

Hours of Work and Rest Periods (Road Transport) Convention, 1939 (No. 67), Social Security (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1952 (No. 102), Employment Injury Benefits Convention, 1964 [Schedule I amended in 1980] (No. 121), Invalidity, Old-Age and Survivors' Benefits Convention, 1967 (No. 128), Medical Care and Sickness Benefits Convention, 1969 (No. 130),

Sickness Benefits Convention, 1969 (No. 130), Employment Promotion and Protection against

Unemployment Convention, 1988 (No. 168), Maternity Protection Convention, 2000 (No. 183), Income Security Recommendation, 1944 (No. 67), Employment Injury Benefits Recommendation, 1964 (No. 121), Invalidity, Old-Age and Survivors' Benefits Recommendation, 1967

(No. 131), Medical Care and Sickness Benefits Recommendation, 1969 (No. 134), Employment Promotion and Protection against Unemployment Recommendation, 1988 (No. 176), Maternity Protection

Recommendation, 2000 (No. 191)

Working languages: English and Polish

Labour protection

I/16. ILO/UNDP ⁵ Subregional Conference on Maternity Protection and Work and Family Balance in Central Asia

Proposed date: 1–2 December 2011
Place: Dushanbe, Tajikistan

Financing: Government of Finland (US\$30,000)

UNDP Bratislava (US\$35,000)

Geographical coverage: Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan

Composition of participants:

Governments: 10 (3 from Kazakhstan, 3 from Kyrgyzstan and 4 local)

Employers: 10 (3 from Kazakhstan, 3 from Kyrgyzstan and 4 local)

Workers: 10 (3 from Kazakhstan, 3 from Kyrgyzstan and 4 local)

Purpose of the meeting: (i) to analyse the present situation on maternity

protection and work and family balance in Central Asia and introduce some good practices in the world;

(ii) to support the capacity building of the social partners

on the relevant subjects;

(iii) to raise awareness on maternity protection and work

and family balance issues to the wider audience

(including general public);

(iv) to facilitate inter-agency collaboration with the

United Nations and the multi-/bilateral donors.

Resource persons: Three Government experts

One Employers' expert

One Workers' expert

Three from the academic institutions

Two from UN/multi-/bilateral development agencies

Observers: Embassies located in Tajikistan

All bilateral and multilateral development agencies

located in Tajikistan

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⁵ United Nations Development Programme.

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Workers with Family Responsibilities Convention, 1981 (No. 156), Maternity Protection Convention, 2000 (No. 183), Employment

(Women with Family Responsibilities) Recommendation,

1965 (No. 123), and Maternity Protection

Recommendation, 2000 (No. 191)

Working languages: English and Russian

I/17. Adjustments in the Public Sector: Scope, Effects and Policy Issues

Proposed date: 21–22 June 2012

Place: Brussels, Belgium

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$41,610)

European Commission (US\$374,488)

Geographical coverage: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech

Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey,

United Kingdom

Composition of participants:

Governments: 30

Employers: 30

Workers: 30

Purpose of the meeting: To study the nature and extent of adjustments in the

public sector and the related consequences, after a first

series of anti-crisis policy responses.

Resource persons: 14 national experts members of the project's working

group of experts

Experts from European and international academic and

research institutions

Representatives of the European Commission

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

This project is covering the different areas of the world of work in the public sector and beyond so that it will be

relevant to most international labour standards.

Working languages: English and French

International migration

I/18. The TRIANGLE 6 Subregional Advisory Committee (SURAC) Meeting

Proposed date: 14–15 December 2011

Place: Bangkok, Thailand

Financing: Government of Australia (US\$20,000)

Geographical coverage: Cambodia, China, Lao People's Democratic Republic,

Malaysia, Thailand, Viet Nam

Composition of participants:

Governments: 12 (two from each country)

Employers: 6

Workers: 6

Purpose of the Meeting: (i) to strengthen in-country, bilateral and multilateral

cooperation between tripartite constituents working

with the TRIANGLE project;

(ii) to share information and progress among partners

working within each country;

(iii) to provide information and updates on global and

regional developments, such as the ILO Domestic

Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189).

Resource persons: Representatives from research partners

Representatives from non-governmental partners

Representatives from recruitment agency associations

Observers: Representatives of UN and international organizations

engaged in labour migration

Donor agency, Australian Aid (AusAID)

Relevance to international labour

standards and other texts:

Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions)

Convention, 1975 (No. 143), Private Employment Agencies Convention, 1997 (No. 181), the Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189), as well as the ILO

Multilateral Framework on Labour Migration and the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at

Work

Working language: English

⁶ Tripartite Action to Protect Migrants within and from the Greater Mekong Subregion from Labour Exploitation.

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Social Dialogue Sector

Employers' activities

I/19. Employers' Conference on Social Dialogue Developments

Proposed date: 5–6 October 2011

Place: Belgrade, Serbia

Financing: Government of Austria (US\$50,000)

Geographical coverage: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Republic of Moldova,

Montenegro, Serbia, The former Yugoslav Republic of

Macedonia

Composition of participants:

Employers: 18 (3 representatives from each country)

Purpose of the Conference: (i) to enable participants to give an overview of

activities undertaken by the project on Consolidating the Legal and Institutional Foundations of Social Dialogue in the Countries of the Western Balkans

and the Republic of Moldova;

(ii) to ensure sustainability of the project and to

contribute to a greater capacity to engage in tripartite

and bipartite social dialogue.

Resource persons: Representatives of employers' organizations from

Croatia (2), Denmark (1) and Slovenia (1)

Observers: IOE

Relevance to international labour

standards:

Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Minimum Wage Fixing Convention, 1970

(No. 131)

Working languages: English, Albanian, Macedonian, Moldovan and

Bosnian/Montenegrin/Serbian

I/20. Subregional Forum: Dialogue between the State and the Private Sector in the WAEMU⁷ countries: What Role for the Employers' Organizations and the Consular Chambers?

Proposed date: 26–27 September 2011

Place: Cotonou, Benin

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$65,000)

⁷ West African Economic and Monetary Union.

Geographical coverage: Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Guinea,

Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Morocco, Niger, Senegal,

Togo

Composition of participants:

Employers: 12

Purpose of the meeting:

- to remove confusion and misunderstandings that persist about the places and roles of employers' associations and consular chambers and thereby reaffirm the role of employers' organizations as spokesperson for the private sector within the framework of WAEMU;
- (ii) to identify institutional reforms that would facilitate and stimulate the action of employers' organizations;
- (iii) to create conditions for a suitable and efficient framework for dialogue between governments and the private sector;
- (iv) to ensure that employers' organizations become key actors of the economic governance and legitimate initiators of proposals in the WAEMU space.

Resource person: One consultant

Observers: Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Benin

West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU)

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Collective Bargaining Convention, 1981 (No. 154), Collective Bargaining Recommendation, 1981 (No. 163)

Working language: French

I/21. Media and Communication Training for the ASEAN⁸ Confederation of Employers (ACE)

Proposed date: 16–17 November 2011

Place: Bangkok, Thailand

Financing: Government of Norway (US\$25,000)

Geographical coverage: Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao People's

Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore,

Thailand, Viet Nam

Composition of participants:

Employers: 18 (two from each employers' organization)

⁸ Association of Southeast Asian Nations.

Purpose of the meeting: (i) to enhance the media and communication skills of

ACE members;

(ii) to allow ACE to gain greater media and public exposure as a reputable regional employers'

organization.

Resource persons: Two regional media and communication consultants

Observers: Laos National Chamber of Commerce

Viet Nam National Chamber of Commerce

Brunei National Chamber of Commerce

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards)

Convention, 1976 (No. 144)

Working language: English

I/22. Subregional Training of Employer Facilitators: ILO Participatory Gender Audit Workshop

Proposed date: 1–4 November 2011

Place: Johannesburg, South Africa

Financing: Norway (US\$32,000)

Geographical coverage: Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia,

South Africa, Swaziland, Zambia, Zimbabwe

Composition of participants:

Employers: 18 (two from each country)

Purpose of the meeting: (i) to examine whether internal practices and related support systems for gender mainstreaming within an

organization are effective and reinforce each other;

(ii) to establish a baseline for the audited entity;

(iii) to identify critical gaps and challenges, and recommend ways of addressing them, suggesting

possible improvements and innovations;

(iv) to document good practices towards the achievement

of gender equality.

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Workers with Family Responsibilities Convention, 1981 (No. 156), Equal Remuneration Recommendation, 1951 (No. 90), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation)

Recommendation, 1958 (No. 111), Workers with Family Responsibilities Recommendation, 1981 (No. 165)

Working language: English

Workers' activities

I/23. Regional Meeting of United Nations Agencies, International Financial Institutions and Trade Unions of the Americas

Proposed date: 23–24 August 2011

Place: Panama City, Panama

Financing: PSI (US\$20,000)

International Training Centre, Turin (US\$15,000)

Geographical coverage: Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican

Republic, Panama, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

Composition of participants:

Workers: 7

Purpose of the Meeting:

- (i) to identify possible areas of cooperation between UN agencies and trade unions in the region;
- (ii) to identify new opportunities for tripartite social dialogue and collective bargaining, with a view to democratic development with social justice in participating countries;
- (iii) to analyse existing regional projects within the framework of multilateral cooperation, with a view to identifying procedures and mechanisms which would ensure trade union participation;
- (iv) to determine possible lines of joint action with the future Institute for Development of the Americas (soon to be established by the Trade Union Confederation of the Americas (TUCA)) and with the Labour Platform of the Americas, in order to boost trade union organizations across the region affiliated to the TUCA;

(v) to contribute to the strengthening of the ILO's Decent Work Agenda and the ongoing efforts of trade union organizations in the region to reform and modernize in order to act in a united, independent and democratic manner.

Resource persons:

Secretary-General and three representatives of the Executive Committee of Trade Union Confederation of the Americas (TUCA)

United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)

Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)

Pan-American Health Organization (WHO/PAHO)

United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)

UN Women

United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)

United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR)

World Bank

International Monetary Fund (IMF)

Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)

Central American Bank for Economic Integration (BCIE)

Observers:

Canadian Labour Congress (CLC)

American Federation of Labor – Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL–CIO)

Danish Confederation of Trade Unions (LO, Denmark)

Norwegian Confederation of Trade Unions (LO, Norway)

Trade Union Institute for Development Cooperation (ISCOD)

Fundación Paz y Solidaridad, Spain

Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, Germany

Solidarité Mondiale, Belgium

Federatie Nederlandse Vakbeweging, Netherlands

Confederation of Christian Trade Unions (CSC/ACV), Belgium

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention,

1976 (No. 144)

Working language: Spanish

I/24. Regional Meeting on Multinational Enterprises and Trade Union Action: Organizing in the telecom industry using the ILO MNE Declaration ⁹ and the OECD ¹⁰ Guidelines

Proposed date: 20–22 September 2011

Place: Johannesburg, South Africa

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$30,000)

Geographical coverage: Benin, Botswana, Cameroon, Gabon, Ghana, Nigeria,

South Africa, Uganda

Composition of participants:

Workers: 16

Purpose of the Meeting: (i) to provide a forum for dialogue between national

centres and sectoral unions of the only African

telecom company;

(ii) to discuss experiences of sectoral/national

bargaining, strengths and weaknesses of the unions

and existing, or potential, joint activities;

(iii) to examine the MNE Declaration and its possible

promotional use.

Resource persons: ITUC

UNI Global Union

Trade Union Advisory Committee to the OECD (TUAC)

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⁹ Tripartite Declaration of Principles concerning Multinational Enterprises and Social Policy.

¹⁰ Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development.

Relevance to international labour

standards and other texts:

Tripartite Declaration of Principles concerning

Multinational Enterprises and Social Policy, Employment

Relationship Recommendation, 2006 (No. 198)

Working languages: English and French

I/25. Andean Workshop for Decent Work in Labour Relations for Domestic Workers

Proposed date: 26–28 October 2011

Place: Lima, Peru

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$40,000)

Geographical coverage: Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Colombia, Ecuador, Peru,

Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

Composition of participants:

Workers: 20 (3 from Bolivia (Plurinational State of), 3 from

Colombia, 5 from Ecuador, 4 from Peru and 5 from

Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of))

Purpose of the meeting: (i) to share experiences of domestic workers in Andean

countries in relation to unionization, labour

regulation, social protection and international trade

union cooperation;

(ii) to draw up a proposal for unionization and to support

socio-political actions for the ratification of Convention No. 189 in the Andean countries.

Resource person: One representative of the Trade Union Confederation of

the Americas (CSA)

Observers: Unified Workers' Central (CUT), Brazil

Confederación de Trabajadores del Perú (CTP)

Central Autónoma de Trabajadores del Perú (CATP)

Central General Autonoma de Trabajadores de Panama

(CGTP)

Cordinadora de Centrales Sindicales Andinas (CCSA)

Instituto Sindical de Cooperación al Desarrollo (ISCOD)

American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial

Organizations (AFL–CIO)

Fundación Paz y Solidaridad

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97),

Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions)

Convention, 1975 (No. 143), Social Security (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1952 (No. 102), Workers with Family Responsibilities Convention, 1981 (No. 156), Maternity Protection Convention, 2000 (No. 183), Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189), as well

as related Recommendations

Working language: Spanish

I/26. Second Subregional Workshop for Workers' Organizations: Training Programmes and Action on Safety and Health

Proposed date: 19–23 September 2011

Place: Libreville, Gabon

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$40,000)

Geographical coverage: Burundi, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of

the Congo, Gabon, Guinea, Mali, Rwanda

Composition of participants:

Workers: 16

Purpose of the meeting: Finalization of the subregional programme of training in

safety and health at work and final validation before

publication of the manual.

Resource persons: Four experts in occupational safety and health

Observers: Representatives of local trade unions in Gabon

Relevance to international labour

standards and other texts:

Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981 (No. 155), Occupational Health Services Convention,

1985 (No. 161), Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 2006

(No. 187), and other relevant standards

Working language: French

I/27. ACTRAV-RENGO 11 Subregional Meeting on Productivity and Collective Bargaining

Proposed date: 21-25 November 2011

Place: Lomé, Togo

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$10,000)

Japanese Trade Union Confederation (RENGO)

(US\$52,164)

Geographical coverage: Benin, Burundi, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Guinea,

Madagascar, Mauritius, Rwanda, Seychelles, Togo

Composition of participants:

Workers: 10

Purpose of the Meeting: To strengthen the capacity of workers' organizations for

an equitable negotiation of productivity gains.

Three experts from the International Trade Union Resource persons:

Confederation – Africa and from the Organization of

African Trade Union Unity (OATUU)

Observers: Six representatives of Togolese workers' organizations

Relevance to international labour

standards and other texts:

Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Workers' Representatives Convention, 1971 (No. 135), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), Collective Bargaining Convention, 1981 (No. 154), Termination of Employment Convention, 1982 (No. 158), Employment Relationship Recommendation, 2006 (No. 198), as well as the other relevant instruments related to employment issues, social

protection and social dialogue

Working language: French

I/28. Subregional Seminar on Strengthening Union Capacity to Achieve Decent Work

Proposed date: 17-18 October 2011

Place: Colombo, Sri Lanka

Financing: RBTC (US\$25,000)

Geographical coverage: Bangladesh, India, Republic of Maldives, Nepal, Sri

Lanka

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¹¹ Japanese Trade Union Confederation.

Composition of participants:

Workers: 20

Purpose of the meeting: (i) to share experiences on union unity;

(ii) to discuss ways to build on union solidarity and

avoid union proliferation;

(iii) to discuss ways to strengthen union capacity to

achieve decent work for their members.

Resource persons: One coordinator of research studies

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards)

Convention, 1976 (No. 144)

Working language: English

I/29. ACTRAV-GENDER Regional Training for Worker Facilitators in the ILO Participatory Gender Audit

Proposed date: 12–16 December 2011

Place: San José, Costa Rica

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$60,000)

Geographical coverage: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica,

Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru,

Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

Composition of participants:

Workers: 26

Purpose of the meeting: (i) to train trade union facilitators from Central and

Latin America and the Caribbean in the use of the

Participatory Gender Audit methodology;

(ii) to make further contributions to the collective capacity of trade unions to enhance gender equality

and women's representation within trade unions in

the Americas.

Resource person: A consultant from the ILO International Training Centre,

Turin

Observer: Trade Union Confederation of the Americas

(CSA-TUCA)

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), Workers with Family Responsibilities Convention, 1981 (No. 156), Maternity Protection Convention, 2000 (No. 183), Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189), and ILO core Conventions 12

Working language: Spanish

I/30. Trade Unions of Central Africa and the Challenges of Globalization in the CAEMC ¹³ Countries

Proposed date: 23–25 November 2011

Place: Douala, Cameroon

Financing: RBTC (US\$28,000)

Geographical coverage: Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Congo,

Democratic Republic of the Congo, Gabon, Equatorial

Guinea, Sao Tome and Principe

Composition of participants:

Workers: 20

Purpose of the meeting: (i) to revitalize the Central Africa Workers'

Organisation (OSTAC) through training sessions on freedom of association and collective bargaining in

the CAEMC space;

(ii) to position OSTAC as an indispensable interlocutor for all the regional and continental bodies (African

Union, CAEMC).

Resource persons: Expert from the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)

Expert from the FAO

¹² Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182).

¹³ Central African Economic and Monetary Community.

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards)

Convention, 1976 (No. 144)

Working language: French

Social dialogue, industrial and employment relations

I/31. Regional Meeting on Capacity Building on Results-based Management for Social Partners

Proposed date: 23–26 August 2011

Place: Accra, Ghana

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$55,000)

Geographical coverage: Botswana, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Guinea, Kenya,

Mauritius, South Africa, Tanzania (United Republic of)

and Togo

Composition of participants:

Employers: 12 Workers: 12

Purpose of the Meeting:

- (i) to provide an overview of key concepts related to, and use of, results-based management, with special focus on developing a results-based and sustainable approach to planning, monitoring and evaluation of Decent Work Country Programmes (DWCPs), including resource mobilization for agreed DWCP outcomes and priorities among the social partners of the region;
- (ii) to initiate a set of action plans aimed at contributing to a more effective and targeted results-based management amongst participating organizations and to increasing the pool of resources available to meet planned decent work outcomes.

Resource persons:

Representatives from the donor community (one embassy representative, one private foundation representative, one United Nations fund representative)

Relevance to international labour

standards:

ILO core Conventions 14

Working languages:

English and French

I/32. Bipartite Regional Workshop on Working with the United Nations

Proposed date: 19–20 October 2011

Place: Colombo, Sri Lanka

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$36,000)

Geographical coverage: Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Samoa,

Sri Lanka, Viet Nam

Composition of participants:

Employers: 8

Workers: 8

Purpose of the meeting: (i) to increase knowledge of UN reform processes and

tools with respect to efficiency, impact, relevance

and sustainability;

(ii) to discuss challenges and opportunities and the

implications of the UN reform process for ILO

constituents;

(iii) to enable participants to effectively and efficiently participate in the development, implementation,

monitoring and evaluation of UNDAF ¹⁵ and DWCP.

Resource persons: Representatives of UN agencies at country level

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98). The strengthening of the capacity of constituents to pursue their interests in all policy areas, including UNDAF, is necessary for the promotion of international

labour standards

Working language: English

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¹⁴ Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182).

¹⁵ United Nations Development Assistance Framework.

I/33. Bipartite Regional Workshop: Working with the United Nations: Promoting Policy Coherence and Coordination

Proposed date: 13–14 December 2011

Place: Beirut, Lebanon

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$50,000)

Geographical coverage: Bahrain, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia,

Syrian Arab Republic, Yemen

Composition of participants:

Employers: 18 Workers: 18

Purpose of the meeting: (i) to promote the participation of workers' and

employers' organizations in the creation of the new development paradigm in the region and the establishment of the corresponding national development frameworks of their countries, including stronger and more coherent UN policy responses to employment and decent work

challenges;

(ii) to increase institutional capacity to mainstream decent work into UN processes with a special focus on social partners participation into UNDAFs.

Resource persons: Representatives of UN at regional and country level

Relevance to international labour

standards and other texts:

International labour standards as part of the UN human

rights framework

Working languages: English and Arabic

I/34. Subregional Tripartite Conference "Achievements and Challenges Ahead for Social Dialogue in the Western Balkan Countries and Moldova"

Proposed date: 9–10 November 2011

Place: Budva-Becici, Montenegro

Financing: Government of Austria (US\$75,000)

Geographical coverage: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Republic of Moldova,

Montenegro, Serbia and The former Yugoslav Republic

of Macedonia

Composition of participants:

Governments: 13 (three from Montenegro and two from each of the

other countries)

Employers: 6 (one from each country)

Workers: 6 (one from each country)

Purpose of the meeting: (i) to take stock of the results achieved in the project and

identify challenges ahead in the area of social dialogue in the Western Balkans and the Republic of

Moldova;

(ii) to make recommendations on how best to build future technical cooperation in the subregion on the lessons learned during the implementation of the

project.

Resource persons: A high-level representative of the European Commission

A tripartite delegation (1 government, 1 worker and

1 employer) from Austria

Chief Executive of the Irish Labour Relations

Commission

Observers: Austrian Development Agency

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), Labour Administration Convention, 1978 (No. 150), Collective Bargaining Convention, 1981 (No. 154), Consultation (Industrial and National Levels) Recommendation, 1960 (No. 113), Tripartite Consultation (Activities of the International Labour Organisation) Recommendation, 1976 (No. 152)

Working languages: English, Albanian, Macedonian, Romanian as well as

Serbian/Croatian/Bosnian

Labour inspection

I/35. Subregional Training Workshop for Labour Inspectors from non-members of the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS)

Proposed date: 19–21 October 2011

Place: Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$86,800)

Geographical coverage: Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Guyana, Jamaica, Suriname,

Trinidad and Tobago, as well as the non-metropolitan

territories of Aruba, Curação and Sint Maarten

Composition of participants:

Governments: 40

Purpose of the meeting: To enhance the knowledge and skills of labour inspectors

from the non-members of the OECS in the field of occupational safety and health and environment (OSHE).

Resource persons: One local OSHE consultant and trainer

One representative of the Pan-American Health

Organization (PAHO)

One representative of the United Nations Development

Programme (UNDP)

Relevance to international labour

standards and other texts:

Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), Labour Inspection (Agriculture) Convention, 1969 (No. 129), Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981 (No. 155), Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 2006 (No. 187)

Working language: English

I/36. Subregional Workshop on Organization of Labour Inspection Campaigns

Proposed date: 29–30 November 2011

Place: Skopje, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

Financing: Regular budget (US\$24,306)

Government of Canada (US\$2,400) European Commission (US\$1,200)

Geographical coverage: Albania, Republic of Moldova, The former Yugoslav

Republic of Macedonia, Ukraine

Composition of participants:

Governments: 11

Employers: 8

Workers: 8

Purpose of the meeting: (i) to

 to inform participants on the best practices of organizing information and inspection campaigns on undeclared work and occupational safety and health at work at European level;

(ii) to share good practices on the dissemination of information and on law enforcement strategies at European and national level;

(iii) to discuss national experiences from the participating countries, lessons learnt, priorities for the subregion and future activities: (iv) to facilitate the transfer of knowledge and build technical capacities of labour inspectorates from the participating countries.

Resource persons: A representative from the Senior Labour Inspectors

Committee

A representative from the European Agency for Safety

and Health at Work

Representatives from two EU countries with good

experience of inspection campaigns

Experts nominated by the ITUC

Experts nominated by the IOE

Relevance to international labour

standards and other texts:

Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), Labour Inspection (Agriculture) Convention, 1969 (No. 129)

Working languages: English, Albanian, Macedonian, Romanian and Russian

Sectoral activities

I/37. Regional Meeting on Safety and Health in the Mining Sector

Proposed date: 26–27 September 2011

Place: Lima, Peru

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$70,000)

Geographical coverage: Argentina, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Brazil, Chile,

Colombia, Mexico, Peru

Composition of participants:

Governments: 7

Employers: 7

Workers: 7

Purpose of the Meeting: (i) to share recent experiences and good practices

related to legislation and policy development on health and safety in the mining sector in selected Latin American countries, with a focus on the promotion of the Safety and Health in Mines

Convention, 1995 (No. 176) and strategies aimed at

informal mining;

(ii) to promote a network of representatives of governments, trade unions and employers' organizations interested in improving health and safety in mining, with the aim of ensuring higher productivity, competitiveness and the respect of international labour standards and fundamental rights at work.

Observers: The Trade Union Confederation of the Americas (TUCA)

The International Federation of Chemical, Energy, Mine

and General Workers' Unions (ICEM)

International Organisation of Employers (IOE)

The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO)

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Relevance to international labour

standards and other texts:

Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981 (No. 155), Prevention of Major Industrial Accidents Convention, 1993 (No. 174), Safety and Health in Mines Convention, 1995 (No. 176), Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 2006

(No. 187), Tripartite Declaration of Principles concerning

Multinational Enterprises and Social Policy

Working language: Spanish

Decent work

I/38. Global Meeting on Measuring and Assessing Progress (MAP) on Decent Work

Proposed date: 14–16 March 2012

Place: Geneva, Switzerland

Financing: European Commission (US\$170,000)

Geographical coverage: Bangladesh, Brazil, Cambodia, Indonesia, Niger, Peru,

Philippines, South Africa, Ukraine, Zambia

Composition of participants:

Governments: 20

Employers: 10

Workers: 10

Purpose of the Meeting:

- to present lessons learnt from MAP countries' experience on measuring and monitoring decent work at the national level (especially through the tripartite process);
- (ii) to present first technical inputs and methodologies for self-monitoring and self-assessing progress towards decent work (tools/guidelines on measuring decent work and monitoring decent work within Decent Work Country Programmes (DWCPs) and national policies);
- (iii) to prepare the global conference on measuring and monitoring decent work (scheduled mid-2013 under the MAP project), and for the 19th International Conference of Labour Statisticians (ICLS).

Resource persons: Three independent experts (statistician, economist, legal

specialist)

Experts and advisers nominated by workers and

employers

Observers: Ten Government observers (permanent missions of the

invited countries)

Five observers from the Statistical Division of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) and

other United Nations agencies

Observers nominated by workers and employers

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Measuring and monitoring decent work on the basis of international definitions and labour standards (Statistical indicators and legal indicators, ILO framework, Tripartite

Meeting of Experts, September 2008)

Working languages: English and Spanish

Statistics

I/39. Regional Meeting of Heads of Employment Survey in Latin America

Proposed date: 3–5 October 2011

Place: Lima, Peru

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$19,000)

RBTC (US\$35,000)

Geographical coverage: Argentina, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Brazil, Chile,

Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela

(Bolivarian Republic of)

Composition of participants:

Governments: 19

Purpose of the Meeting: (i) to review the content, conceptual framework and

definitions of employment surveys;

(ii) to make arrangements so as to move towards the harmonization of measurement of employment

variables and decent work indicators.

Observers: United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America

and the Caribbean (UNECLAC)

Relevance to international labour

standards and other texts:

Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Labour

Statistics Convention, 1985 (No. 160)

Working language: Spanish

Part II. Additional information

Social Dialogue Sector

Employers' activities

II/1. Eighth ILO-IOE-CAPE ¹⁶ Asia-Pacific High-level Employers' Conference ¹⁷

Original date: 9 April 2011

New date: 3 December 2011

Geneva, 31 October 2011

Submitted for information

¹⁶ Confederation of Asia–Pacific Employers.

¹⁷ GB.310/Inf.2, item I/16.

Timetable of approved symposia, seminars, workshops and similar meetings

Date	Title of meeting	Place				
	AFRICA					
2011						
21–25 November	ACTRAV/RENGO ¹ Subregional Meeting on Productivity and Collective Bargaining	Lomé, Togo				
23–25 November	Trade Unions of Central Africa and the Challenges of Globalization in the CEMAC ² Countries	Douala, Cameroon				
8–9 December	Tripartite Workshop on the Formulation and Implementation of National Occupational Safety and Health Programmes for Selected English-speaking African Countries	Johannesburg, South Africa				
ASIA AND THE PACIFIC						
2011						
3 December	Eighth ILO-IOE-CAPE ³ Asia-Pacific High-level Employers' Conference	Kyoto, Japan				
4–15 December	The TRIANGLE ⁴ Subregional Advisory Committee (SURAC) Meeting	Bangkok, Thailand				
	ARAB STATES					
	2011					
13–14 December	Bipartite Regional Workshop: Working with the United Nations: Promoting Policy Coherence and Coordination	Beirut, Lebanon				
LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN						
	2011					
22–24 November	Andean Workshop on the Efficiency of Labour Law: Challenges and Opportunities	Bogotá, Colombia				
23–24 November	Enhance the Value of Work, Eliminate Gender Segregation and Follow-up on Conventions Nos 100 and 111 in Public Employment	Quito, Ecuador				
23–25 November	Regional Seminar for Government Officials of Latin America on Convention No. 169: Content and Implementation in the Contexts of the Region	Managua, Nicaragua				
12-13 December	International Forum "Employment, Youth and Democratic Governance"	Lima, Peru				
12–16 December	ACTRAV-GENDER Regional Training for Worker Facilitators in the ILO Participatory Gender Audit	San José, Costa Rica				

¹ Japanese Trade Union Confederation.

² Central African Economic and Monetary Community.

³ Confederation of Asia–Pacific Employers.

⁴ Tripartite Action to Protect Migrants within and from the Greater Mekong Subregion from Labour Exploitation.

Date	Title of meeting	Place			
	EUROPE				
2011					
29–30 November	Trade Union Training Seminar on Using ILS ⁵ and European Legal Instruments to Strengthen Trade Union Rights in South-East Europe	Belgrade, Serbia			
29–30 November	Subregional Workshop on Organization of Labour Inspection Campaigns	Skopje, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia			
1–2 December	ILO/UNDP Subregional Conference on Maternity Protection and Work and Family Balance in Central Asia	Dushanbe, Tajikistan			
2012					
14–16 March	Global Meeting on Measuring and Assessing Progress (MAP) on Decent Work	Geneva, Switzerland			
21-22 June	Adjustments in the Public Sector: Scope, Effects and Policy Issues	Brussels, Belgium			

⁵ International Labour Standards.