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Composition and agenda of standing bodies and meetings

Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations

Reappointments

1. *The Officers of the Governing Body recommend that the Governing Body reappoint, for a period of three years, the following members of the Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations:*

- *Mr Mario Ackerman (Argentina);*
- *Ms Leila Azouri (Lebanon);*
- *Ms Graciela Josefina Dixon Caton (Panama);*
- *Mr Raymond Ranjeva (Madagascar).*

Short biographies of these persons are reproduced in the appendix.

Meeting of Experts to adopt Guidelines on Decent Work and Socially Responsible Tourism (Geneva, 20–24 February 2017)

Invitation of intergovernmental organizations

2. The Director-General intends to invite the following intergovernmental organizations that have a standing arrangement with the ILO to be represented at the Meeting as observers:

- United Nations (UN):
 - United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD);
 - United Nations Development Programme (UNDP);
 - United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO);
- European Union (EU);
- International Organization for Migration (IOM);
- Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).

3. In addition to the abovementioned intergovernmental organizations, the Officers of the Governing Body have authorized the Director-General to invite the following intergovernmental organizations as observers:

- International Trade Centre (ITC);
- World Bank Group (WBG).

Invitation of international non-governmental organizations

4. The Director-General proposes to invite the following international non-governmental organizations to be represented at the Meeting as observers:

- International Hotel and Restaurant Association (IH&RA);
- International Tourism Partnership (ITP);
- International Union of Food, Agriculture, Hotel, Restaurant, Catering, Tobacco and Allied Workers' Associations (IUF);
- UNI Global Union;
- World Travel and Tourism Council (WTTC).

5. *The Officers of the Governing Body recommend that the Director General be authorized to invite the abovementioned international non-governmental organizations to be represented at the Meeting as observers.*

Working Group of the Special Tripartite Committee established under Article XIII of the MLC, 2006 (Geneva, 3–5 April 2017) ¹

Composition

6. Further to the decision ² adopted by the Governing Body at its 326th Session (March 2016), the Working Group will be composed of four Government representatives, four Shipowner representatives and four Seafarer representatives. The Working Group will be chaired by the Chairperson of the Special Tripartite Committee.
7. Further to consultations with the Regional Coordinators, the Director-General intends, in order to obtain the Government nominations, to approach the Governments of the following countries: Canada, France, Nigeria and the Philippines.

Invitation of intergovernmental and international non-governmental organizations

8. Further to the delegation of authority to the Officers of the Governing Body to take decisions relating to the organization of the first meeting of the Special Tripartite Committee in April 2014, ³ the Director-General was authorized to invite the following intergovernmental organizations and international non-governmental organizations. It is therefore proposed that, with the agreement of the Officers, those intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations be invited to attend the Working Group as observers:
 - Arab Federation of Chambers of Shipping (AFCS);
 - European Union (EU);
 - International Maritime Organization (IMO);
 - International Association of Classification Societies (IACS);
 - International Christian Maritime Association (ICMA);
 - International Confederation of Water Transport Workers' Union (ICWTWU);
 - International Maritime Health Association (IMHA);
 - International Seafarers' Welfare and Assistance Network (ISWAN);
 - Seafarers' Rights International (SRI);
 - World Federation of Trade Unions (WFTU).

¹ Date proposed in accordance with article 7(5) of the Standing Orders of the Special Tripartite Committee.

² GB.326/LILS/6.

³ GB.319/LILS/5, para. 29(f).

Tripartite Meeting on Improving Employment and Working Conditions in Health Services (Geneva, 24–28 April 2017)

Invitation of intergovernmental organizations

9. The Director-General intends to invite the following intergovernmental organizations that have a standing arrangement with the ILO to be represented at the Meeting as observers:

- United Nations (UN):
 - Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS);
 - United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF);
 - United Nations Development Programme (UNDP);
 - United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA);
 - UN-Women;
- African Development Bank (ADB);
- African Union (AU);
- European Union (EU);
- International Organization for Migration (IOM);
- Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD);
- World Health Organization (WHO).

10. In addition to the abovementioned intergovernmental organizations, the Officers of the Governing Body have authorized the Director-General to invite the following intergovernmental organizations as observers:

- European Observatory for Health Systems and Policies;
- Global Health Workforce Network;
- International Telecommunication Union (ITU);
- World Bank Group (WBG).

Invitation of international non-governmental organizations

11. The Director-General proposes to invite the following international non-governmental organizations to be represented at the Meeting as observers:

- European Federation of Public Service Unions (EPSU);
- European Hospital and Healthcare Employers' Association (HOSPEEM);
- International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC);
- International Commission on Occupational Health (ICOH);
- International Confederation of Midwives (ICM);
- International Council of Nurses (ICN);
- International Hospital Federation (IHF);
- International Pharmaceutical Federation (FIP);
- NGO Forum for Health;
- Public Services International (PSI);
- Safeguarding Health in Conflict Coalition;
- UNI Global Union;
- World Dental Federation (FDI);
- World Federation of Public Health Associations (WFPHA);
- World Medical Association (WMA).

12. *The Officers of the Governing Body recommend that the Director-General be authorized to invite the abovementioned international non-governmental organizations to be represented at the Meeting as observers.*

Tenth European Regional Meeting (Istanbul, Turkey, 2–5 October 2017)

Invitation of intergovernmental organizations

13. The Director-General intends to invite the following intergovernmental organizations that have a standing arrangement with the ILO to be represented at the Meeting as observers:

- United Nations (UN):
 - United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF);
 - United Nations Development Programme (UNDP);
 - United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP);
 - United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR);
 - UN-Women;

- Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR);
- Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE);
- United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (UNPFII);
- United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA);
- Specialized agencies:
 - Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO);
 - United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO);
 - United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO);
 - World Health Organization (WHO);
- Regional organizations:
 - Council of Europe;
 - European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD);
 - European Union (EU):
 - Council of Ministers;
 - European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training (CEDEFOP);
 - European Commission (EC);
 - European Economic and Social Committee (EESC);
 - European External Action Service (EEAS);
 - European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (Eurofound);
 - European Investment Bank (EIB);
 - European Parliament;
 - European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights;
- Other organizations:
 - International Organization for Migration (IOM);
 - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).

14. In addition to the abovementioned intergovernmental organizations, the Officers of the Governing Body have authorized the Director-General to invite the following intergovernmental organizations as observers:

- Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) (including Interparliamentary Assembly of CIS countries);

- Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU);
- European Free Trade Association (EFTA);
- European Training Foundation (ETF);
- International Monetary Fund (IMF);
- Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE);
- Regional Cooperation Council of South Eastern Europe;
- World Bank Group (WBG);
- World Trade Organization (WTO).

Invitation of international non-governmental organizations

15. Following the previous practice, the Officers of the Governing Body may wish to authorize the Director-General to invite the following international non-governmental organizations having regional consultative status to be represented at the Meeting as observers:
- Business Europe;
 - European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC);
 - General Confederation of Trade Unions (GCTU).
16. In addition, the Director-General proposes to invite the following international non-governmental organizations to be represented at the Meeting as observers:
- Global Apprenticeships Network (GAN);
 - World Association of Investment Promotion Agencies (WAIPA).
17. *The Officers of the Governing Body recommend that the Director General be authorized to invite the international non-governmental organizations listed in paragraphs 15 and 16 to be represented at the Meeting as observers.*

Appointment of Governing Body representatives on various bodies

Tripartite Meeting on Improving Employment and Working Conditions in Health Services (Geneva, 24–28 April 2017)

18. *The Governing Body may wish to appoint its representative, who will also chair the above Meeting. In accordance with the established practice, the appointment should be made from among the Worker members of the Governing Body.*

Points for decision: Paragraph 1
Paragraph 5
Paragraph 12
Paragraph 17
Paragraph 18

Appendix

Career highlights of the four members of the Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations considered for reappointment

Mr Mario Ackerman (Argentina)

Professor Mario Ackerman has been a member of the Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations since 2005, with special responsibility for the freedom of association, collective bargaining, and industrial relations Conventions. He is fluent in the three working languages and has participated actively, in light of the ILO Declaration on Social Justice for a Fair Globalization, 2008, in four working groups on the General Surveys on the fundamental Conventions concerning rights at work, on labour relations and collective bargaining in the public service, and on migrant workers. Professor Ackerman has participated actively in high-level promotional activities related to international labour standards with excellent results. His expertise is highly valued by the Committee.

Professor Ackerman is a Professor of Labour Law, Director of the Masters and Specialist Postgraduate Labour Law Studies at the Faculty of Law of the University of Buenos Aires. He is the Director of the *Revista de Derecho Laboral*.

Professor Ackerman is a former adviser to the Parliament of the Republic of Argentina and former National Director of the labour inspectorate of the Ministry of Labour and Social Security of the Republic of Argentina.

Ms Leila Azouri (Lebanon)

Professor Leila Azouri has been a member of the Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations since 2014, with special responsibility for the occupational safety and health Conventions. She will participate in the Working Group on the General Survey concerning occupational safety and health instruments that will take place in November 2016. The quality of her work is highly appreciated by the Committee.

Professor Azouri is a Professor of Labour Law at the Faculty of Law at Sagesse University, Beirut. She is Director of Research at the Doctoral School of Law of the Lebanese University and former Director of the Faculty of Law of the Lebanese University.

Professor Azouri is member of the Executive Bureau of the National Commission for Lebanese Women and a legal expert for the Arab Women Organization.

Ms Graciela Josefina Dixon Caton (Panama)

Ms Graciela Josefina Dixon Caton has been a member of the Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations since 2010, where she has dealt in particular with the fishers' and seafarers' Conventions, including the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 (MLC, 2006). She has participated actively in the Working Group on the General Survey concerning minimum wage fixing instruments that took place in November 2013. She has also actively participated to the work of the 2015 Subcommittee for the streamlining of treatment of certain information, which was established by the Committee in 2012 with a particular focus on information related to reporting obligations. The quality of her work is highly appreciated by the Committee.

Ms Dixon Caton is a graduate of law and political science at the University of Panama and followed postgraduate studies in human rights. She is a former President of the Supreme Court of Justice of Panama and a former President of the Penal Court of Cassation and of the Chamber of General Business Matters of the Supreme Court of Panama. She is a former President of the International Association of Women Judges. She is presently Arbitrator at the Court of Arbitration of the Official Chamber of Commerce of Madrid, and Arbitrator at the Centre for Dispute Resolution (CESCON) of the Panamanian Chamber of Commerce.

Mr Raymond Ranjeva (Madagascar)

Judge Raymond Ranjeva has been a member of the Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations since 2008, and has had special responsibility for examining the application of the Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29). He greatly contributes to the work of the Committee by bringing his international experience as a former Judge of the International Court of Justice. Judge Ranjeva was Chairperson of the Commission of Inquiry to examine the observance by the Government of Zimbabwe on Conventions Nos 87 and 98.

Judge Ranjeva is a Doctor of Law of the University of Paris II and *Agrégé* of the Faculties of Law and Economics, Public Law and Political Science section, Paris. Former Vice-President of the International Court of Justice, Judge Ranjeva is a member of the Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Court of Arbitration for Sport and a member of the Institute of International Law. He is President of the African Society of International Law since 2012.

Judge Ranjeva is a member of numerous national and international professional and academic societies, Curatorium of the Hague Academy of International Law and a member of the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace.