ST.PETERSBURG, RUSSIAN FEDERATION - As part of the national ILO90 campaign the St. Petersburg Humanitarian Trade Union University organized a conference with the participation of the university management, professors, students and post-graduates. Sten Toft Petersen, ILO Moscow senior specialist on workers activities, made a presentation entitled “90 years working for social justice”. He gave an overview of the history of the ILO and its role in the current situation, starting with the background for the founding of the Organization up to the ILO’s role in promoting a fair globalization.

After the presentation there was a Q&A session that lasted for more than an hour. Students’ questions were very much focused on the challenges of the economic crisis and issues linked to globalization. The questions showed that the students had a good understanding of the ILO mandate and its role in addressing challenges of the 21st century.