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### Sub-Regional Workshop on Cooperatives and Child Labour

Moshi, 19 – 21 May 2008

The Dar es Salaam based ILO Cooperative Facility for Africa (**ILO COOPAfrica**) is organizing a sub-regional workshop on Cooperatives and Child Labour. The workshop to be held at the main campus of the Moshi University College of Cooperative and Business Studies (MUCCoBS) from the 19<sup>th</sup> to 21 May will be attended by trainers and senior field workers of cooperative colleges and national organizations from Kenya, Tanzania (mainland and isles), Uganda and Zambia.

In addition to introducing the subject of child labour to the participants, the workshop will devise strategies for awareness building among cooperative and community members and their leaders through programmes spearheaded by the cooperative institutions and organizations represented at the workshop. It is also expected that as a result of the workshop Child Labour will feature in the regular programmes of cooperative training institutions and national cooperative organizations. The outcome of all this be cooperatives engaging more and more in activities designed to eliminate the worst forms of child labour in their areas of operation.

Facilitating at the workshop will be child labour specialists from the relevant departments at ILO Headquarters in Geneva – Messrs Peter Hurst and Mathieu de Poorter, and an Expert in Cooperative Development at the ILO **COOPAfrica** Programme in Dar es Salaam – Mr Sam Mshiu.

Professor Suleman Chambo, Principal of MUCCoBS and a member of the Steering Committee of **ILO COOPAfrica** will perform the official opening of the workshop.

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Sam Mshiu  
Moshi, 15<sup>th</sup> May 2008