

Annotated agenda of the second Meeting of the High-Level Panel of the Youth Employment Network

30 June:

- 14:00 H: Welcoming refreshments outside of Room VII
- 14:30 H: Opening of the meeting by Göran Hultin, Executive Director of the ILO Employment Sector followed by opening remarks by Juan Somavia, Director General of the International Labour Office.

14:45 – 17:30 H: First Session: BUILDING ON ACHIEVEMENTS

This session will be chaired by Geeta Rao Gupta and encompass progress reports and introduce activities of the High-Level Panel and its four Working Groups; the political process and activities on youth employment within the UN, World Bank and ILO; youth organisations in the implementation of the youth employment strategy; and successful national policies for youth employment and new initiatives by pilot countries:

- 14:45 H: Introductory Remarks and presentation of programme of the meeting, by Geeta Rao Gupta
- 14:55 H: Activities of the High-Level Panel and its four Working Groups, by Maria Cattai, Ralph Willis, Rick Little and Geeta Gupta, Chairs of the four Working Groups, followed by brief discussion.
- 15:25 H: Vision, process and action on youth employment within the United Nations; the World Bank and the ILO since the High Level Panel Meeting of July 2001, by Steven Miller, Secretary, Zeynep Ozbil, Donald Lee and Taka Ueda, World Bank, UN Secretariat and ILO focal points, respectively, followed by brief discussion.
- 15:55 H: Sitting suspended for arrival of the Secretary-General
- 16:00 H: Session resumes with the arrival of the Secretary-General.
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- Note:* *The organization of the sitting with the UN Secretary-General is subject to change*
- 16:00 H: Introduction by Juan Somavia
- 16:05 H: Achievements of youth organisations in the implementation of the youth employment policies and programmes.
- 16:10 H: Brief report to the Secretary-General on the achievements of the Youth Employment Network, by Allan Larsson.
- 16:15 H: Remarks by the Secretary-General

- 16:30 H: Presentation of successful national policies and new initiatives on youth employment. Mr. Aliou Sow, Minister of Youth, Senegal and Mr. Tom Kitt, Minister of Development Cooperation of Ireland to introduce this discussion which will include government representatives and employer and worker representatives from Ireland and Senegal.
- 17:00 H: Presentations of youth organisations on the implementation of the youth employment policies.
- 17:10 H: Discussion
- 17:25 H: Closing remarks by the Chair
- 17:30 – 19:30 H: Reception

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- 9:00 H: Breakfast coffee / tea
- 9:30-12:30 H: **Second Session: MAPPING AN ACTION PLAN**

This session will be chaired by Ralph Willis and will involve debating and defining components of an action plan, based on the following five next steps in the implementation of the Network's strategy

- 9:30 H: Introductory remarks by Ralph Willis
- 9:35 H: Rolling out actions at national level: Partnerships with governments and other social actors, by Mr. Widjarnarko, Chairperson of the Indonesian Youth Employment Network
- 9:40 H: Discussion
- 10:00 H: Policy, advocacy and knowledge development: Using the High Level Panel's policy recommendations and the roadmaps of the four Working Groups to guide national action. The discussion will include a presentation of the Network partners' work to develop a youth employment strategy, guidelines and improved indicators on youth employment, as well as communications and advocacy tools, including YEN branding. Discussion introduced by Maria Livanos Cattau.
- 10:05 H: Discussion
- 10:30 H: Morning refreshments
- 10:45 H: Outlining a plan for "twinning" and regional cooperation in favour of youth employment, including technical support, resource mobilization and exchange of experiences, introduced by Geeta Rao Gupta.
- 10:50 H: Discussion

- 11:10 H: Building bridges between education and working life: the role of partnerships and alliances for the school-to-work transition, introduced by Rosanna Wong.
- 11:15 H: Discussion
- 11:35 H: Presentation on the role of young people in National Action Plans on youth employment.
- 11:45 H: Discussion
- 12:15 H: Response by Dr. Mamphela Ramphele, Managing Director of the World Bank.
- 12:20 H: Remarks by Marta Mauras, United Nations, Director of the Office of the Deputy Secretary-General
- 12:25 H: Conclusion of the session by Ralph Willis, Chair.

12:45 – 14:15 H: **Luncheon**

- 13:30 H: Luncheon Guest speaker, Eveline Herfkens, Executive Coordinator of the Millennium Development Goals Campaign introduced by Juan Somavia.

14:30 – 17:30 H: **Third Session: ACTORS AND THEIR ROLES**

This session will define the respective roles and responsibilities of different groups of partners within the Youth Employment Network, including the High Level Panel, youth representatives, parliamentary networks and other partners, for specific tasks relating to the Network's work. Specific responsibilities and tasks will include: Regional leadership for advocacy, ongoing assistance to governments, twinning and regional cooperation, development of an International Youth Award, peer review of the four Working Groups' Road Maps, communications, constituency building and advocacy, and resource mobilization. Chair: Geeta Rao Gupta

- 14:30 H: Introductory Statement by the Chair and presentation of the broader Network's main functions
- 14:40 H: Presentation on the role of the High-Level Panel, by Rick Little.
- 14:45 H: Discussion
- 15:10 H: Presentation on the role of youth and youth organizations
- 15:15 H: Discussion

- 15:40 H: Presentation on the role of partner institutions, by Richard Street, Director, Youth Business International, The Prince of Wales International Business Leaders Forum
- 15:45 H: Discussion
- 16:10 H: Presentation on the role of core institutions, World Bank, UN Secretariat and ILO and of the YEN Secretariat
- 16:15 H: Discussion on conclusions of the meeting and agreement on the next steps.
- 17:15 H: Response by Göran Hultin, followed by concluding remarks by Juan Somavia.
- 17:30 H: End of Meeting