

EC/EuropeAid/E3 – EC Delegations - ILO
**Joint Seminar on Employment, Social protection and Decent Work
in ACP countries**

Brussels, 22-25 June 2009
Borschette Centre (Salle AB-4A)
Rue Froissart 36
1040 Brussels

| DAY 1: Monday 22 June 2009 | | |
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| MAIN OBJECTIVES OF DAY 1: | | |
| <i>By the end of the day, participants will:</i> | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>know each other better and have a common understanding of the objectives of the seminar and its expected outcomes;</i> • <i>have a better understanding of key concepts and a comprehensive view of global trends in labour markets with particular emphasis on decent work, social inclusion and protection, and other relevant issues in ACP countries;</i> • <i>have a better understanding of how, given their respective objectives and mandates, and the impact of the global crisis on developing countries, the EC and the ILO respond to these trends and issues</i> | | |
| Time | Programme Element | Actors/ Comments |
| 0930-1000 | Arrival and registration of participants | |
| 1000-1030 | Opening session | Sergio Piccolo, Head of Sector, EuropeAid Chair: Mrs H el ene BOURGADE, Head of unit, Social and Human Development and Migration, EuropeAid Mrs Francesca MOSCA, Director EuropeAid, Quality of Operations Mr Llu s RIERA Director DG Development Mr Gary Quince, Director DG AIDCO/C Mrs Maria DUCCI, Executive Director and Director of the Cabinet, ILO |
| 1030-1100 | Coffee Break | |
| 1100-1145 | Presentation by EC: Development cooperation in Employment, Social Inclusion and Protection: policy and practice Comments, Q&A | Sergio PICCOLO, EuropeAID Jaques MALPEL, DG Development |
| 1145-1230 | Presentation by ILO: The priorities of the ILO in Africa Comments, Q&A | Mr Charles DAN, Regional Director, ILO Addis Ababa |

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| 1230-1400 | LUNCH/ Sandwich | |
| 1400-1500 | <p>Key note presentation:</p> <p>The informal economy: implications for employment and social policy</p> <p>Discussant:</p> | <p>Mrs Frances LUND, University of KwaZulu Natal, Durban</p> <p>Mrs Ndiaye FATIME CHRISTIANE, Senior Gender specialist, ILO Dakar</p> <p>Mr Philippe Marcadent, Principal Advisor for informal and rural economies/ Social Protection Sector, ILO</p> |
| 1500-1530 | Coffee Break | |
| 1530-1630 | <p>Group work</p> <p>What are the opportunities and constraints for the EC and ILO to further employment, social protection and decent work in ACP countries on a day-to-day basis?</p> | |
| 1630 – 1700 | Reporting back on Group work | |
| 1700 – 18.00 | Event hosted by ILO, Centre Borschette | |

DAY 2: Tuesday 23 June 2009

Social Protection in ACP countries: challenges for a sustainable social protection system

MAIN OBJECTIVES OF DAY 2:

By the end of the day, participants will:

- *have learned about the **state of play** of social protection systems in ACP countries and discussed how these systems may be designed to be more effective in alleviating poverty and supporting development;*
- *have obtained, through case studies, new and detailed insights into the role and specific interventions by the EC and the ILO in selected ACP countries in support of social protection;*
- *have drawn practical lessons from these case studies*

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| 0900-0915 | Recap of Day 1 | |
| 0915-0945 | Issue presentation on social protection: means for poverty reduction and development promotion | Mr Stephen Kidd, Director of Policy and Communications Department, HelpAge International |
| 1000-1015 | Comments, Q&A in plenary | |
| 1015-1030 | Coffee Break | |
| 1030-1230 | Case study presentations by EC each followed by comments, Q&A in plenary | EC case studies: Ms Elise NALBANDIAN Ethiopia Mr Amaury HOSTE Lesotho |
| 1230-1400 | BREAK | |
| 1400-1600 | Case study presentations by ILO each followed by comments, Q&A in plenary | Mr Luis Frota / Mr Urszula Lonc case studies on Mozambique & Cape Verde and Zambia & Tanzania Mr Jürgen Schwettmann: Case study on social inclusion through social economy initiatives |
| 1600-1615 | Coffee Break | |
| 1615-1700 | Group work on lessons drawn from case studies | |

DAY 3: Wednesday 24th June 2009**Employment and Employability****MAIN OBJECTIVES OF DAY 3:**

By the end of the day, participants will:

- *have learned about ways and means of addressing, within a decent work perspective, employment and employability in developing countries and discussed how related interventions may be more effective;*
- *have obtained, through case studies, new and detailed insights into the role and specific interventions by the EC and the ILO in selected ACP countries;*
- *have drawn practical lessons from these case studies.*

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| 0900-0915 | Recap of day 3 | |
| 0915-0945 | EC and ILO views on the current state of promoting employment and decent work in ACP countries | facilitator interviewing one expert on the subject from the EC and the ILO ILO expert: Jean Ndenzako, employment specialist in Addis on the National Employment summit in Nigeria: design, preparation, organization and follow-up |
| 0945-1000 | Comments, Q&A in plenary | |
| 1000-1030 | Coffee Break | |
| 1030-1115 | Mainstreaming Employment and Decent Work in non-social sectors | Mr Emmanuel Ribayiza: review of ILO's labour intensive infrastructure programme |
| 1115-1130 | Comments, Q&A in plenary | |
| 1130-1215 | Labour intensive approach within EC infrastructure programmes. EC case study (Rwanda) | Jean-Phillipe Aubry, Infrastructure (E7) EuropeAid |
| 1215-1230 | Comments, Q&A in plenary | |

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| 1230-1400 | LUNCH | |
| 1400-1600 | Case study presentations by EC and ILO each followed by comments, Q&A in plenary | EC: Mrs Corinne SALINAS, South Africa Mr Manfred WINNEFELD, Somalia ILO: Dorothea Schmitt, Employment Specialist in Cairo – case study on employment and the DWCP in Somalia Toure Cheaka, Employment Specialist in Yaounde – job creation strategies in crisis countries (Great Lakes region) |
| 1600-1615 | Break | |
| 1615-1700 | Group work on lessons drawn from case studies | |

DAY4: Thursday 25 June 2009**MAIN OBJECTIVES OF DAY 4:***By the end of the day the participants wil*

- *have considered and discussed a number of overarching issues*
- *have considered practical ways and means for stepping up EC-ILO collaboration at the field level, as well as suggestions for improving dialogue with various governments and other stakeholders*
- *have considered other follow-up opportunities*
- *have evaluated the effectiveness of the seminar*

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| 0900-0915 | Recap of day 3 and reporting on group work day 2 and 3 | |
| 0915-1030 | <p>Plenary Discussion:</p> <p>(i) how to support a sector strategy</p> <p>(ii) mainstreaming and monitoring respect for core labour standards eg child labour</p> | <p>AIDCO/Sergio Piccolo and E1</p> <p>ILO: Christina Holmgren – Labour standards specialist in Addis</p> <p>Grace Banya on TACKLE</p> |
| 1030-1100 | Coffee Break | |
| 1100-1330 | <p>Plenary discussion:</p> <p>(i) Strengthening capacity of social partners</p> <p>(ii) Impact of trade: State of play of the EPAs – the social dimension The involvement of social partners</p> | <p>ILO: Moussa Oumarou (Dialogue) – Rawane Mbaye (ACTRAV) Pape Ibrahima Beye (ACT/EMP)</p> <p>Lisa Svensson, DG TRADE Marion Jansen , ILO joint management on impact of decent work on trade and Cumba Diop and Samuel Asfaha from Turin Centre on EPAs</p> |
| 1330-1500 | LUNCH | |
| 1500-1630 | <p>Plenary Discussion:</p> <p>(i) how can we improve our dialogue with partner governments and other stakeholders, including EU member states</p> <p>(ii) how can we further strengthen EC-ILO collaboration at the field level;</p> | <p>Panel discussion: Mrs Francesca Mosca, EuropeAid Mr Jürgen Schwettmann Regional Office for Africa, ILO [EU mss] [social partner]</p> |

