



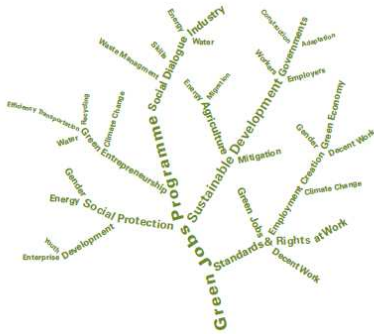
Decent Work and Just Transition in the new climate agreement

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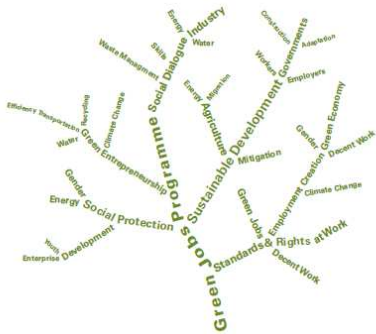
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The road towards a new climate agreement

- Negotiations under UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)
- **Goal:** ambitious, binding, global agreement reducing emissions to maintain max. 2°C target
- COP 20 Lima 2014
- Geneva round February 2015
- Bonn round June 2015
- **End point:** COP 21 Paris December 2015



COP 21 outcomes and Decent Work

- Climate agreement
 - Include reference to decent work and just transition?
- ‘Solutions agenda’
 - Possible mechanisms for engagement World of Work
 - Peru – France initiative joint declaration ministers of labour and of environment

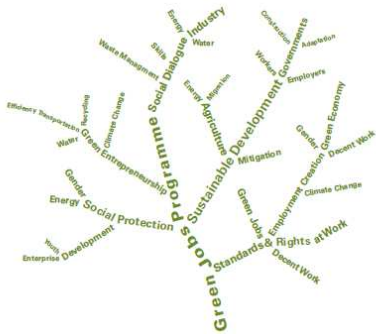


Decent work and Just Transition

4 refs in negotiating text status March 2015

Preamble section

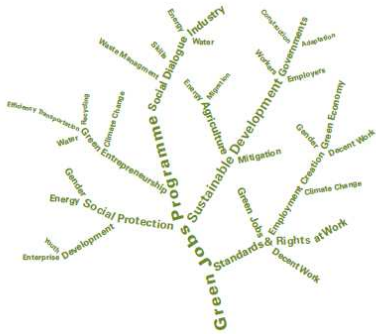
- LMDC proposal:** [Stressing that all actions to address climate change and all the processes established under this agreement should ensure [a gender-responsive approach] [gender equality and intergenerational equity], take into account [environmental integrity] [the protection of the integrity of Mother Earth], and respect human rights, the right to development and the rights of [youth and] indigenous peoples, [**as well as the just transition of the workforce and the creation of decent work**, in accordance with nationally defined development priorities and strategies,]
- USA proposal:** **Acknowledging the importance of promoting a just transition of the workforce and the creation of decent work and quality jobs**, in accordance with nationally defined development priorities and strategies



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Objectives section

- **EU proposal:** 12 bis. [All Parties [and stakeholders] shall [ensure respect for human rights and gender equality in the implementation of the provisions of this Agreement] [, in all climate change related actions, respect, protect, promote, and fulfill human rights for all. All Parties shall be guided by gender equality and ensure the full and equal participation of women in all climate actions and decision making processes. **All Parties should consider in their climate policies and actions a just transition of the workforce that creates decent work and quality jobs.**]]



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Section 3 Mitigation

- LMDC proposal: 24 bis. [Parties will also consider economic and social issues, including the just transition of the workforce and the creation of decent work and quality, decent jobs, in accordance with nationally defined development priorities and strategies.]

LMDC are: Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Bolivia, China, Cuba, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, India, Jordan, Iraq, Kuwait, Indonesia, Iran, Malaysia, Mali, Nicaragua, Pakistan, the Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Syria, Venezuela and Vietnam.



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