



Programme

Wednesday, 31 October

8.00 – 10.00	Registration
14.00 – 17.00	
17.00–18.00	Opening plenary session: José António Vieira Da Silva, Minister for Labour and Social Solidarity, Portugal Dayan Jayatilleka, Chairperson, ILO Governing Body Daniel Funes de Rioja, Employer Vice-Chairperson, ILO Governing Body Leroy Trotman, Worker Vice-Chairperson, ILO Governing Body
18.00–19.00	Keynote speakers: Juan Somavia, ILO Director-General Surin Pitsuwan, Secretary-General designate, Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) José Sócrates, Prime Minister of Portugal
19.00–21.00	Welcome reception

Thursday, 1 November

09.00–10.15

Session 1: Employability: Education, skills development and technology

Bridging knowledge gaps

Chairperson: François Perigot, Honorary President, International Organisation of Employers (IOE)

Panel members: Maria João Rodrigues, Special Adviser to the Portuguese Prime Minister for the European Presidency

Mark Richmond, Director for the Coordination of United Nations Priorities in Education, UNESCO

Phil O'Reilly, CEO, Business New Zealand

Jan Eastman, Deputy General Secretary, Education International

Session 2: Upgrading work and enterprises in the informal economy

Organizing for voice and participation

Chairperson: Manuel Viage, General Secretary, National Union of Angolan Workers

Panel members: Yash Tandon, Executive Director, South Centre

Charles Gore, Chief, Research and Policy Analysis, Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programmes, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)

Jean-Yves Barcelo, UN-HABITAT

Hilda Sánchez, Senior Economist, Inter-American Regional Organization of Workers of the ICFTU (ICFTU-ORIT)

10.15–10.45

Coffee break

10.45–12.00

Session 1 (*cont.*)

Session 2 (*cont.*)

12.00–12.30

Keynote speaker (plenary)

Vladimír Špidla, EU Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities

12.30–14.00

Lunch (provided at AIP)

14.00–14.30

Keynote speaker (plenary)

Mats Karlsson, Vice Chair High-Level Committee on Programs of the UN System Chief Executives' Board for Coordination (CEB) and Country Director, World Bank

14.30–15.45

Session 3: Migration for work, within borders and internationally

Securing the benefits, diminishing the risks of worker mobility

Chairperson: John Sweeney, President, American Federation of Labour and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL–CIO)

Panel Members: Giuliano Amato, Minister of the Interior of Italy

Mr Jesús Caldera Sánchez Capitán,
Minister of Labour of Spain

Caridad T. Sri Tharan, Founding Member
and Advisor, Migrant Forum in Asia

John Bingham, Head of Policy,
International Catholic Migration
Commission

Jacqueline Mugo, Executive Director,
Kenya Federation of Employers

Session 4: Social protection policies for social cohesion and economic development

Moving towards a global social floor?

Chairperson: Carlos Tomada, Minister of Labour, Employment and Social Security of Argentina

Panel members: Aart de Geus, Deputy-Secretary General, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)

Roberto Bissio, Coordinator, Social Watch and Executive Director, Third World Institute

Sudha Pillai, Secretary, Ministry of Labour and Employment, India

Helmut Schwarzer, Social Security Secretary, Ministry of Social Security, Brazil

João Proença, General Secretary, General Workers' Union (UGT), Portugal

15.45–16.15

Coffee break

16.15–18.00

Session 3 (*cont.*)

Session 4 (*cont.*)

Friday, 2 November

09.00–10.15

Session 5: Policy coherence among international organizations

Creating the tools to make it work

Chairperson: Sha Zukang, UN Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs

Panel members: Josep Borrell, President, Committee on Development of the European Parliament, and Chair of the Global Progressive Forum (GPF)
Raymond Parsons, member of the Management Committee of Business Unity South Africa (BUSA) and Overall Business Convenor at the National Economic Development and Labour Council (NEDLAC)
Saleh Nsouli, Director, Offices in Europe, International Monetary Fund (IMF)
Ricardo Meléndez-Ortiz, Chief Executive, International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development (ICTSD)
Zwelinzima Vavi, General Secretary of Congress of South African Trade Unions (COSATU)

Session 6: Decent work opportunities for young women and men: Overcoming discrimination and disadvantage

Equality in diversity: A dream or a necessity?

Chairperson: Ashraf Tabani, President, Employers' Federation of Pakistan

Panel members: Carlos Lupi, Minister of Labour and Employment of Brazil
António D. Pitra Neto, Minister for Public Administration, Employment and Social Security, Angola
Gilles de Robien, Ambassador with responsibility for promoting social cohesion, France
Barbara Byers, Executive Vice-President, Canadian Labour Congress (CLC)
Carvalho da Silva, General Secretary, General Confederation of the Portuguese Workers (GCTP)
Ariosto Manrique, President, Youth Commission of the Mexican Employers' Confederation

10.15–10.45 Coffee break

10.45–12.00 **Session 5** (*cont.*)

Session 6 (*cont.*)

12.00–12.30 **Keynote speakers:**

Abraham Katz, President, International Organisation of Employers (IOE)

Guy Ryder, General Secretary, International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)

12.30–14.00 Lunch (provided at AIP)

14.00–14.30 **Keynote speaker** (plenary)

Mary Robinson, President, Realizing Rights: The Ethical Globalization Initiative

14.30–15.00 **Panel of parliamentarians**

Accountability and coherence of public policy for decent work and a fair globalization: The role of parliaments

Heráclito Fortes, Senator, the Federative Republic of Brazil

Sheila Carstairs, Senator, Canada

Poul Nyrup Rasmussen, Member of the European Parliament, and President of the Party of European Socialists

15.00–15.30 Coffee break

15.30–17.30

Report-back session and discussion on next steps

Closing session:

Chaired by: José António Vieira Da Silva,
Minister for Labour and Social Solidarity,
Portugal