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Part I. Submissions approved between November 2010 and March 2011

Employment Sector

Employment policy

I/1. Ninth Meeting of the Forum of Employment Directors of Central America and the Dominican Republic

Proposed date:	2–4 March 2011
Place:	El Salvador
Financing:	Government of Spain (US\$22,100)
Geographical coverage:	Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	7
(b) Employers:	1
(c) Workers:	1
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to coordinate policies and regional outcomes in the area of employment; (ii) to strengthen regional social and labour institutions.
Relevance to international labour standards:	Employment Service Convention, 1948 (No. 88), Fee- Charging Employment Agencies Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 96), Private Employment Agencies Convention, 1997 (No. 181), Employment Policy (Supplementary Provisions) Recommendation, 1984 (No. 169), Private Employment Agencies Recommendation, 1997 (No. 188)
Working language:	Spanish

I/2. Sub-regional Conference on Employment for Peace, Stability and Development for the Greater Horn of Africa

Proposed date:	11–12 April 2011
Place:	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$75,000)

Geographical coverage:	Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, Sudan, Uganda
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	14
(b) Employers:	7
(c) Workers:	7
Purpose of the Conference:	(i) to examine the proposed ILO strategy entitled Employment for Peace, Stability and Development in the Greater Horn of Africa; (ii) to forge partnerships with the international development community to implement the strategy through a major technical cooperation programme.
Resource persons:	Representatives of the Intergovernmental Authority on Development Representatives of the African Union Commission
Observers:	United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) International Organization for Migration (IOM) Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) World Bank Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) United Nations African Union Peace and Security Council Representatives of the member countries of the Intergovernmental Authority on Development Partners' Forum European Commission United Nations Peacebuilding Support Office Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) Danish International Development Agency (DANIDA) Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (NORAD) Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) Department for International Development, United Kingdom

	United States Agency for International Development (USAID)
	Netherlands Development Organisation (SNV)
	Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA)
	African Network for the Prevention and Protection Against Child Abuse and Neglect (ANPPCAN)
	International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD)
	HelpAge International
	Nile Basin Initiative
Relevance to international labour standards:	Employment (Transition from War to Peace) Recommendation, 1944 (No. 71) and ILO core Conventions ²
Working languages:	English, French and Arabic

I/3. Subregional Meeting on Supporting Strategies to Recover from Crisis in South-eastern Europe

Proposed date:	21 April 2011
Place:	Zagreb, Croatia
Financing:	US\$40,000
Geographical coverage:	Croatia, Czech Republic, Serbia, Slovenia, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	10
(b) Employers:	12
(c) Workers:	12
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to share and discuss new, evidence-based policy options and strategies for crisis recovery in the three target countries of the project; (ii) to prepare a cross-country analysis, based on the findings of the peer review process.

² Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182).

Resource persons:	One international expert One consultant from Croatia One consultant from The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia One consultant from Serbia
Relevance to international labour standards:	Unemployment Convention, 1919 (No. 2), Unemployment Provision Convention, 1934 (No. 44), Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), Social Policy (Non-Metropolitan Territories) Convention, 1947 (No. 82), Protection of Wages Convention, 1949 (No. 95), Social Security (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1952 (No. 102), Social Policy (Basic Aims and Standards) Convention, 1962 (No. 117), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Minimum Wage Fixing Convention, 1970 (No. 131), Workers' Representatives Convention, 1971 (No. 135), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), Labour Administration Convention, 1978 (No. 150), Collective Bargaining Convention, 1981 (No. 154), Labour Statistics Convention, 1985 (No. 160), Employment Promotion and Protection against Unemployment Convention, 1988 (No. 168), Protection of Workers' Claims (Employer's Insolvency) Convention, 1992 (No. 173)
Working languages:	English, Serbian, Croatian and Macedonian

Skills and employability

I/4. ILO/SKILLS–AP/Japan Regional Workshop and Study Programme: Addressing skills mismatch through public–private partnerships

Proposed date:	14–18 February 2011
Place:	Tokyo, Japan
Financing:	Government of Japan (US\$31,000) ILO regular budget (US\$16,300)
Geographical coverage:	Bangladesh, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Mongolia, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	6
(b) Employers:	6
(c) Workers:	6
Purpose of the Workshop:	(i) to assist delegates to develop partnerships between training institutions and industries;

	(ii) to find effective ways to make the skills development system more responsive to labour market needs and to reduce mismatching of skills.
Resource persons:	Two local resource persons
Observers:	Asia–Pacific Economic Cooperation Human Resources Development Working Group (APEC–HRDWG) Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Human Resource Development Service of Korea (HRD Korea) Korean International Cooperation Agency (KOICA) Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Human Resources Development Recommendation, 2004 (No. 195)
Working language:	English

I/5. Regional Meeting on Promoting Vocational Education in Inclusive Societies in Asia

Proposed date:	29–31 March 2011
Place:	Bangkok, Thailand
Financing:	Government of Ireland (US\$51,000) ILO regular budget (US\$25,000)
Geographical coverage:	Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, Indonesia, Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Mongolia, Thailand, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	16 (two from each country)
(b) Employers:	8
(c) Workers:	8
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to review the status of laws, policies, programmes and services relating to the inclusion of persons with disabilities in vocational training; (ii) to share knowledge and good practices by social partners of inclusive vocational training; (iii) to identify the steps required to improve access by people with disabilities to skills development programmes; (iv) to encourage tripartite action at national level on promoting policies for inclusive vocational training.

Resource persons:	Eight representatives of disabled people's organizations (one from each country) Department of Skills Development, Thailand
Observers:	Asia-Pacific Development Center on Disability (APCD) Disabled Peoples' International Asia-Pacific (DPI/AP) United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP) United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (Disabled Persons) Convention, 1983 (No. 159), Vocational Rehabilitation (Disabled) Recommendation, 1955 (No. 99), Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (Disabled Persons) Recommendation, 1983 (No. 168), Human Resources Development Recommendation, 2004 (No. 195) and the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
Working language:	English

I/6. *Workshop on Decision-taking in Professional Training Institutions in Central America and the Dominican Republic*

Proposed date:	29 March–1 April 2011
Place:	Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic
Financing:	Government of Spain (US\$25,500)
Geographical coverage:	Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	14
(b) Employers:	1
(c) Workers:	1
Purpose of the Workshop:	(i) to define indicators for decision-taking in professional training institutions; (ii) to define sources for checking and follow-up.
Relevance to international labour standards:	Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Labour Administration Convention, 1978 (No. 150), Vocational Training Recommendation, 1962 (No. 117), Human Resources Development Recommendation, 2004 (No. 195)
Working language:	Spanish

I/7. Training, Evaluation and Certification of Members of the Professional Training Network of Central America and the Dominican Republic

Proposed date:	2–7 May 2011
Place:	Guatemala
Financing:	Government of Spain (US\$57,156)
Geographical coverage:	Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama
Composition of participants:	
Governments:	28 (four per country)
Purpose of the training course:	To train and certify specialists from professional training institutions so that they may act as labour inspectors in the area of evaluating workers' competencies
Resource persons:	One employer representative One worker representative
Relevance to international labour standards:	Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Vocational Training Recommendation, 1962 (No. 117), Human Resources Development Recommendation, 1975 (No. 150), Human Resources Development Recommendation, 2004 (No. 195)
Working language:	Spanish

I/8. Meeting of the Programme and Budget Committee of CINTERFOR³

Proposed date:	10 October 2011
Place:	Panama City, Panama
Financing:	CINTERFOR/IFP ⁴ network (US\$20,000) ILO regular budget (US\$10,000)
Geographical coverage:	Argentina, Barbados, Plurinational State of Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Uruguay
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	15
(b) Employers:	3
(c) Workers:	3

³ Inter-American Centre for Knowledge Development in Vocational Training.

⁴ CINTERFOR network of professional training institutions.

Purpose of the Meeting:	To guide the management of CINTERFOR and to follow up decisions of the CINTERFOR Technical Committee and of the Governing Body
Relevance to international labour standards:	Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Human Resources Development Recommendation, 2004 (No. 195)
Working languages:	English, Spanish and Portuguese

I/9. 40th Meeting of the Technical Committee of CINTERFOR⁵

Proposed date:	11–13 October 2011
Place:	Panama City, Panama
Financing:	INADEH ⁶ (US\$100,000) CINTERFOR/IFP ⁷ network (US\$60,000) ILO regular budget (US\$30,000)
Geographical coverage:	Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Plurinational State of Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, United States, Uruguay, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	37
(b) Employers:	8
(c) Workers:	8
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to consolidate the CINTERFOR network of professional training institutions by validating and promoting key methodologies for professional training; (ii) to identify action to be taken such as coordination of education and training systems; (iii) to promote South–South cooperation and to facilitate the exchange of experiences between the network’s professional training institutions.

⁵ Inter-American Centre for Knowledge Development in Vocational Training.

⁶ National Vocational Training Institute for Human Development, Panama.

⁷ CINTERFOR network of professional training institutions.

Resource persons:	One employer expert in professional training One worker expert in professional training
Observers:	Inter-American Development Bank World Bank Organization of Ibero–American States United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
Relevance to international labour standards:	Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Human Resources Development Recommendation, 2004 (No. 195)
Working languages:	English, Spanish and Portuguese

Job creation and enterprise development

I/10. Regional Meeting on the Asia–Pacific Knowledge Network on Youth Employment

Proposed date:	25–28 January 2011
Place:	Jakarta, Indonesia
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$35,000)
Geographical coverage:	China, India, Indonesia, Nepal, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Vanuatu
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	8
(b) Employers:	8
(c) Workers:	8
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to review the expectations of the APYouthNet ⁸ platform; (ii) to identify a strategy for targeted membership growth and develop a roadmap with identified tasks, roles and responsibilities; (iii) to identify mechanisms to use APYouthNet as a platform to share resources, tools, methodologies and best practices on youth employment programmes.

⁸ Asia–Pacific Knowledge Network on Youth Employment.

Resource persons:	Five regional resource persons (practitioners and academics)
Observers:	Indonesia Youth Employment Network (IYEN) United Nations Development Programme, Indonesia (UNDP)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Employment Service Convention, 1948 (No. 88), Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Private Employment Agencies Convention, 1997 (No. 181), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182), Employment Relationship Recommendation, 2006 (No. 198), Global Jobs Pact
Working language:	English

I/11. ILO Workshop on Methodologies relating to Microfinancing, Value Chains and Entrepreneurship

Proposed date:	7–12 March 2011
Place:	Guatemala
Financing:	Government of Spain (US\$47,285)
Geographical coverage:	Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	21 (three per country)
(b) Employers:	7
(c) Workers:	7
Purpose of the Workshop:	(i) to provide training on the key methodologies relating to small business development, entrepreneurship, value chains and microfinancing; (ii) to share experiences from within and outside the region with regard to promoting entrepreneurship for labour market insertion, improving the working conditions and social protection of workers in the informal economy.

Relevance to international labour standards:	Employment Service Convention, 1948 (No. 88), Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Labour Administration Convention, 1978 (No. 150), Vocational Training Recommendation, 1962 (No. 117), Employment Policy (Supplementary Provisions) Recommendation, 1984 (No. 169), Human Resources Development Recommendation, 2004 (No. 195)
Working language:	Spanish

Social Protection Sector

International migration

I/12. Regional Conference on Action against Human Trafficking and Forced Labour

Proposed date:	18–19 May 2011
Place:	Tbilisi, Georgia
Financing:	European Union (US\$17,300) RBTC (US\$20,000) OSCE, ⁹ Azerbaijan (US\$12,150)
Geographical coverage:	Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Germany, Turkey
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	10 (two per country)
(b) Employers:	5
(c) Workers:	5
Purpose of the Conference:	(i) to follow up the February 2009 Tripartite Regional Conference to Address all Forms of Human Trafficking in the Caucasus and Related Destination Countries; (ii) to debate challenges to effective action and good practices in the area of combating human trafficking and forced labour; (iii) to encourage and enable knowledge transfer, cooperation and networking between international and national stakeholders.
Resource persons:	International Organization for Migration (IOM) Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE)

⁹ Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe.

	International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD)
	Council of Europe
	Georgian Young Lawyers' Association (GYLA)
	Hope and Help, Armenia (H&H)
	Center for Legal Assistance to Migrants, Azerbaijan (CLAM)
Relevance to international labour standards:	Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143), Private Employment Agencies Convention, 1997 (No. 181), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182)
Working languages:	English and Russian

Social Dialogue Sector

Social dialogue

I/13. Caribbean Subregional Symposium on Tripartism and Social Dialogue: Comparative experiences in dealing with economic and social development issues

Proposed date:	17–18 May 2011
Place:	Bridgetown, Barbados
Financing:	RBTC (US\$190,200) ILO regular budget (US\$13,300) Government of Singapore (US\$22,500)
Geographical coverage:	Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	22
(b) Employers:	22
(c) Workers:	22

Purpose of the Symposium:	To provide an opportunity for constituents in the subregion to discuss the potential that tripartism and social dialogue offer for dealing with economic, social and development policy issues in the Caribbean.
Resource persons:	Tripartite delegation from Barbados Tripartite delegation from Singapore Tripartite delegation from another extra-regional country One consultant
Observers:	International Organisation of Employers (IOE) International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) Caribbean Employers' Confederation (CEC) Caribbean Congress of Labour (CCL) Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Organization of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) Caribbean Centre for Development Administration (CARICAD)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), Labour Administration Convention, 1978 (No. 150), Consultation (Industrial and National Levels) Recommendation, 1960 (No. 113), Tripartite Consultation (Activities of the International Labour Organisation) Recommendation, 1976 (No. 152), Labour Administration Recommendation, 1978 (No. 158), and the Declaration on Social Justice for a Fair Globalization
Working language:	English

Employers' activities

I/14. Positioning the Pan-African Employers' Confederation to face the development challenges of Africa

Proposed date:	1–2 December 2010
Place:	Port-Louis, Mauritius
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$101,400)
Geographical coverage:	Algeria, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Egypt, Gabon, Guinea, Kenya, Lesotho, Mali, Mauritius, Nigeria, Senegal, South Africa, United Republic of Tanzania, Tunisia, Uganda

Composition of participants:	
Employers:	18 (one from each country)
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to strengthen PEC's capacity, as the private sector voice, to face the challenges and opportunities for Africa in a globalized competitive world; (ii) to build synergies between the African Road Map for the Implementation of the Global Jobs Pact in Africa, the African Employers' Declaration on Sustainable Employment and Sustainable Enterprises, the African Development Bank Facility for Private Sector Development, and the World Bank and Belgium Government initiative on Strengthening Responsible Business.
Resource persons:	Pan-African Employers' Confederation (PEC) International Organisation of Employers (IOE) US Council for International Business One international consultant from Mauritius
Observers:	African Development Bank World Bank China Enterprise Confederation French Employers Confederation (MEDEF) Africa Investor
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Employment Policy Recommendation, 1964 (No. 122), Living-in Conditions (Agriculture) Recommendation, 1921 (No. 16), Human Resources Development Recommendation, 2004 (No. 195), Resolution concerning the promotion of sustainable enterprises (ILC, 96th Session, 2007), ILC Conclusions on skills for improved productivity, employment growth and development, 2008
Working languages:	English and French

I/15. Regional Meeting to Develop a Strategic Direction for the ASEAN Confederation of Employers (ACE)

Proposed date:	24–25 March 2011
Place:	Bangkok, Thailand
Financing:	Government of Norway (US\$22,000)
Geographical coverage:	Cambodia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand

Composition of participants:	
Employers:	12
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to develop a strategic plan and action plan for ACE; (ii) to strengthen ACE as a regional organization of employers within ASEAN.
Observers:	Lao National Chamber of Commerce and Industry (LNCCI) Viet Nam Chamber of Commerce and Industry (VCCI)
Relevance to international labour standards:	Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144)
Working language:	English

I/16. Eighth ILO–IOE¹⁰–CAPE¹¹ Asia–Pacific High-Level Employers’ Conference

Proposed date:	9 April 2011
Place:	Kyoto, Japan
Financing:	RBTC (US\$53,000)
Geographical coverage:	Australia, Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Islamic Republic of Iran, Japan, Republic of Korea, Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nepal, New Zealand, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
Employers:	44
Purpose of the Conference:	(i) to enable dialogue between the presidents and chief executive officers of the employers’ organizations in the Asia–Pacific region; (ii) to promote regional cooperation and integration; (iii) to reinforce ILO technical cooperation in the region.
Resource persons:	One speaker from the Asian Development Bank/Korea University One speaker from the Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU)

¹⁰ International Organisation of Employers.

¹¹ Confederation of Asia–Pacific Employers.

	International Organisation of Employers (IOE)
	Confederation of Asia–Pacific Employers (CAPE)
Relevance to international labour standards:	ILO core Conventions ¹²
Working language:	English

I/17. Workshop for Employers' Organizations (Andean countries and countries of the Southern Cone of Latin America): Persuasive communication – Making the voice of business heard

Proposed date:	26–29 April 2011
Place:	Lima, Peru
Financing:	International Training Centre, Turin (US\$17,000) RBTC (US\$25,000)
Geographical coverage:	Argentina, Plurinational State of Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
Composition of participants:	
Employers:	20
Purpose of the Workshop:	(i) to strengthen the institutional capacity of employers' organizations to train its executives in the field of communications; (ii) to enable employers' organizations to convey their messages effectively and be better represented in social dialogue at the national level; (iii) to improve internal communication and crisis management in employers' organizations.
Resource persons:	Seven experts in communications and media
Relevance to international labour standards:	Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144)
Working language:	Spanish

¹² Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182).

I/18. Third Caribbean Academy for the Management of Employers' Organizations (CAMEO III): Subregional Capacity-Building Programme for National Employers' Organizations of the Caribbean

Proposed date:	27 June–1 July 2011
Place:	Bridgetown, Barbados
Financing:	RBTC (US\$66,700) ILO regular budget (US\$9,700)
Geographical coverage:	Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago Non-metropolitan territories: Anguilla, Aruba, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Curaçao, Montserrat, Saint Martin, Turks and Caicos Islands
Composition of participants:	
Employers:	26
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to contribute to the overall relevance and sustainability requirements of national employers' organizations to become effective service organizations for their members and strong social partners in the social dialogue process; (ii) to determine the capacity-building priorities regarding the socio-economic issues which impact the national and regional operating environments of employers and their organizations; (iii) to assist employers in understanding the various topics under the ILO's Decent Work Agenda and to help establish their roles and responsibilities in furthering decent work activities in their respective countries.
Resource persons:	Regional and international employer representatives External collaborators
Observers:	Caribbean Employers Confederation (CEC) International Organisation of Employers (IOE)

Relevance to international labour standards: ILO core Conventions¹³

Working language: English

Workers' activities

I/19. Andean Workshop on Trade Union Participation in the ILO Standards System

Proposed date: 8–11 February 2011

Place: Lima, Peru

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$24,700)

Geographical coverage: Plurinational State of Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

Composition of participants:

Workers: 16

Purpose of the Workshop:

- (i) to refresh knowledge on the mechanisms that allow for trade union participation in the ILO standards system;
- (ii) to examine opportunities for participation in the ILO's supervisory mechanisms in the short and medium term;
- (iii) to share positive experiences with regard to following up the observations and recommendations of the supervisory bodies and to define a general strategy.

Resource persons: Legal advisers

Union leaders from national confederations who are responsible for legal defence

Observers: Trade Union Institute for Cooperation in Development (ISCOD)

Foundation for Peace and Solidarity

Friedrich Ebert Foundation

Solidarity Center of the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL–CIO)

¹³ Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182).

	Coordinator of Andean Trade Union Confederations (CCSA)
	Andean Labour Institute (ILA)
	Andean Labour Advisory Council (CCLA)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	ILO core Conventions ¹⁴
Working language:	Spanish

I/20. Closing Seminar of the Trade Union Component of the Project on Social Dialogue in the Western Balkans and Moldova

Proposed date:	3–4 March 2011
Place:	Belgrade, Serbia
Financing:	Government of Austria (US\$81,300)
Geographical coverage:	Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Republic of Moldova, Montenegro, Serbia, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	32
Purpose of the Seminar:	(i) to evaluate the results of the three-year project; (ii) to decide on follow-up activities.
Resource persons:	Three experts
Observers:	International Trade Union Confederation Pan-European Regional Council
Relevance to international labour standards:	Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Workers' Representatives Convention, 1971 (No. 135), Labour Relations (Public Service) Convention, 1978 (No. 151), Collective Bargaining Convention, 1981 (No. 154)
Working languages:	English, Albanian, Macedonian, Moldovan, Serbian/Bosnian/Montenegrin

¹⁴ Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182).

Industrial and employment relations

I/21. Regional Meeting on Capturing Lessons Learned by PRODIAF¹⁵

Proposed date:	16–18 December 2010
Place:	Dakar, Senegal
Financing:	Government of Belgium (US\$85,000) ILO regular budget (US\$70,000)
Geographical coverage:	Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Rwanda, Senegal and Togo
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	40 (two per country)
(b) Employers:	20
(c) Workers:	20
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to validate PRODIAF's methodological tools and set new perspectives for strengthening social dialogue; (ii) to establish methods for applying the experience gained by PRODIAF and to adopt arrangements for their implementation; (iii) to launch the Africa Brief of the Global Wage Report 2010–11.
Resource persons:	Fifteen national social dialogue commissions and regional experts
Relevance to international labour standards:	Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Labour Relations (Public Service) Convention, 1978 (No. 151), Collective Bargaining Convention, 1981 (No. 154)
Working language:	French

¹⁵ Promotion of social dialogue in French-speaking Africa.

I/22. Regional Meeting for the Asia–Pacific Knowledge Network (AP–IR Net) on Industrial Relations

Proposed date:	26–28 April 2011
Place:	Bangkok, Thailand
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$25,000) Government of Japan (US\$3,000)
Geographical coverage:	Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	8
(b) Employers:	8
(c) Workers:	8
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to hold discussions in preparation for the creation of a Web-based, interactive, Community of Practice; (ii) to determine the scope and focus of AP–IR Net and identify tools and mechanisms for optimal sharing and effective communication; (iii) to develop a plan of action with tasks, roles and responsibilities.
Resource persons:	Five regional experts (regional practitioners and representatives of academic institutions)
Observers:	Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN)
Relevance to international labour standards:	ILO core Conventions ¹⁶
Working language:	English

¹⁶ Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182).

Labour administration and inspection

I/23. *Interregional Seminar on Good Practices in Labour Inspection*

Proposed date:	6–8 December 2010
Place:	Brasilia, Brazil
Financing:	Government of Norway (US\$110,000)
Geographical coverage:	Angola, Argentina, Plurinational State of Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, China, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, India, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Portugal, South Africa, Spain, Uruguay
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	40
(b) Employers:	3 (local)
(c) Workers:	3 (local)
Purpose of the Seminar:	(i) to reinforce networks of labour inspection in various countries through the promotion of better dialogue between like institutions; (ii) to compare good practices for the development of policies and programmes on labour inspection, in order to improve the effectiveness of labour inspection services in participating countries.
Resource persons:	Experts from the <i>Instituto de Investigación Económica Aplicada de Brasil (IPEA)</i>
Relevance to international labour standards:	Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Labour Inspection (Agriculture) Convention, 1969 (No. 129), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182)
Working languages:	English, Spanish and Portuguese

Part II. Additional information

Social Dialogue Sector

Labour administration and inspection

II/1. ARLAC¹⁷ Workshop on Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labour: Understanding the dimensions and interventions

Original date: 4–8 October 2010

New date: 9–13 May 2011

Geneva, 14 March 2011

Submitted for information

¹⁷ African Regional Labour Administration Centre.

Timetable of approved symposia, seminars, workshops and similar meetings

<i>Date</i>	<i>Title of meeting</i>	<i>Place</i>
AFRICA		
2011		
11–12 April	Subregional Conference on Employment for Peace, Stability and Development in the Greater Horn of Africa	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
9–13 May	ARLAC Workshop on Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labour: Understanding the dimensions and interventions	Harare, Zimbabwe
ASIA AND THE PACIFIC		
2011		
24–25 March	Regional Meeting to Develop a Strategic Direction for the ASEAN Confederation of Employers (ACE)	Bangkok, Thailand
29–31 March	Regional Meeting on Promoting Vocational Education in Inclusive Societies in Asia	Bangkok, Thailand
26–28 April	Regional Meeting for the Asia–Pacific Knowledge Network (AP–IR Net) on Industrial Relations	Bangkok, Thailand
LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN		
2011		
29 March–1 April	Workshop on Decision-taking in Professional Training Institutions in Central America and the Dominican Republic	Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic
26–29 April	Workshop for Employers' Organizations (Andean countries and countries of the Southern Cone of Latin America): Persuasive communication – Making the voice of business heard	Lima, Peru
2–7 May	Training, Evaluation and Certification of Members of the Professional Training Network of Central America and the Dominican Republic	Guatemala
17–18 May	Caribbean Subregional Symposium on Tripartism and Social Dialogue: Comparative experiences in dealing with economic and social development issues	Bridgetown, Barbados
27 June–1 July	Third Caribbean Academy for the Management of Employers' Organizations (CAMEO III): Subregional Capacity-Building Programme for National Employers' Organizations of the Caribbean	Bridgetown, Barbados
10 October	Meeting of the Programme and Budget Committee of CINTERFOR ¹	Panama City, Panama
11–13 October	40th Meeting of the Technical Committee of CINTERFOR	Panama City, Panama
EUROPE		
2011		
21 April	Subregional Meeting on Supporting Strategies to Recover from Crisis in South-eastern Europe	Zagreb, Croatia
18–19 May	Regional Conference on Action against Human Trafficking and Forced Labour	Tbilisi, Georgia

¹ Inter-American Centre for Knowledge Development in Vocational Training.