



EIGHTH ITEM ON THE AGENDA

**Reports of the Programme, Financial  
and Administrative Committee**

*Addendum and Corrigendum*

**I. Financial questions relating to the  
International Institute for Labour Studies**  
(Third item on the agenda)

1. The Committee had before it a paper <sup>1</sup> on this item.
2. Mr. Anand, an Employer member, raised the issue of cooperation and integration between the Turin Centre and the ILO, noting that no initiative had been mentioned in the report. He asked for information on when this issue would be addressed.
3. *The Committee recommends that the Governing Body endorse the programme and approve the budget for the International Institute for Labour Studies for 2006-07 as set out in the earlier paper submitted to the Committee.*

**Report of the Information and  
Communications Subcommittee**  
(Seventh item on the agenda)

4. The Committee had before it a paper <sup>2</sup> on this item.
5. Mr. Nakajima, Worker Vice-Chairperson of the ICTS Subcommittee, noted that the Subcommittee had not been able to consult in depth due to the heavy agenda of the PFAC. He observed that savings had been achieved through IRIS and that further improvement of business processes was planned. He thought the date of end-2007 for implementation in the field was optimistic and hoped that field staff would be well trained and that IRIS would not place too great a burden on field offices where staff numbers were limited. He

<sup>1</sup> GB.294/PFA/3/3.

<sup>2</sup> GB.294/PFA/7.

urged the Office to prepare a report for the March 2006 Governing Body to respond to requests from the ICTS.

6. Mr. Blondel insisted that an overspend situation must not happen with IRIS. He asked what the ICTS's powers were and when it should next meet. He thought that it would be preferable for it to meet before the PFAC, and perhaps should even meet twice a year, not just in November, as there was a need for regular information. He also asked whether the ICTS was an information channel or a tool to determine aims and objectives.
7. Mr. Finlay, Employer Vice-Chairperson of the ICTS, found the Subcommittee meeting useful for better understanding of IRIS process and goals. There had been a consensus that the ICTS meetings should take place before the PFAC and that two meetings a year should be considered. He looked forward to the informal March 2006 meeting and to the formal November 2006 meeting, at which the IRIS audit results would be presented.
8. The representative of the Government of Honduras, speaking on behalf of GRULAC, urged that savings made as a result of the IRIS implementation be set aside for technical cooperation projects in the region.
9. *The Committee took note of the ICTS's report.*

## II. Corrections

10. The following corrections to the reports are circulated. In addition, the Employers' and Workers' spokespersons stated that paragraph 35 should include a reference to their request to the Office to present a paper to the March session of the Governing Body on the future of the Turin Centre and its relationship with the ILO.

### First report: Financial questions

*Paragraph 1:* Insert at the end of the paragraph: "Mr. Blondel, Worker representative, was elected as Reporter."

*Paragraph 49:* After "The representative of the Government of Honduras" insert ", speaking on behalf of GRULAC,".

*Paragraph 55:* Replace "Mr. Ahmed" with "Mr. Khurshid Ahmed". After the second sentence, insert "He urged the Office to request the governments concerned to provide free rental accommodation as others had done." After the third sentence, insert "The Workers' group requested the Office to provide details of the costs of the headquarters building and of field office buildings for the information of the Committee."

*Paragraph 56:* Move "respecting schedule and budget" from the end of the second sentence to the end of the first sentence. Line 10: after "impact on functionality and security" replace the rest of the sentence with "avoiding too much expensive architectonic solutions (conceptions)". In the next sentence, replace "foreseen" with "previewed". Replace the sentence starting on line 14 with "The Employers' group did not agree with the proposal of charging technical cooperation activities with rental costs, when these activities take place in ILO premises."

*Paragraph 83:* In the English version only, in the second sentence, the Convention mentioned is Convention No. 144 and not Convention No. 44.

*Paragraph 89:* In the third sentence, after “International Advisory Board, and”, insert “neither employers nor ACT/EMP”.

*Paragraph 101:* Line 6, replace “results-based budgeting” with “strategic budgeting”. At the end of the paragraph, add: “IMEC noted that DWCPs were a potentially powerful tool to help develop a long-term strategy that must combine bottom-up and top-down approaches. The strategy should be based on the four strategic objectives, together with DWCPs, serving as the primary vehicle for national planning and delivery that would translate those objectives into reality at the country level.”

*Paragraph 105:* Replace the paragraph with: “The representative of the Government of Honduras, speaking on behalf of GRULAC, stressed the importance of the work carried out by the JIU as an independent supervisory body of the UN system, to which the UN General Assembly had given a mandate to carry out evaluations on improved management methods and to ensure the best use of available resources.”

*Paragraph 119:* Add a final sentence: “IMEC encouraged the Office to implement the new evaluation policy expeditiously and to present an implementation schedule in this respect.”

*Paragraph 124:* Third line, after “staff training”, replace the rest of the sentence with the following: “, including the involvement of the Turin Centre and internal cooperation in the effort, to be funded from existing training resources.” In the final sentence, replace “with” with “within”.

*Paragraph 147:* Replace the paragraph with “The representative of the Government of Japan supported options (d) and also (b), supported by IMEC. He also suggested that the former meeting (option (d)) should clearly be distinguished from the one suggested as the Global Policy Forum.”

*Paragraph 150:* In the third sentence, after “intended” insert “(e) and (f),” and, in the final sentence, after the word “matter”, insert “of the other proposals”.

## **Second report: Personnel questions**

*Paragraph 25:* Insert as a first sentence: “IMEC drew attention to the 1997 UNGA resolution 51\241 that recommends the introduction of term limits for the executive heads of all UN agencies and all other UN bodies.”

*Paragraph 75:* In the Spanish version only, replace “*Trabajadores*” by “*Empleadores*”.

Geneva, 16 November 2005.

*Point for decision:* Paragraph 3.