

Pacific Tripartite High-Level Dialogue on Decent Work and the 2050 Strategy for the Blue Pacific Continent

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Government group session,
23 April, 14.00-17.30

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Background

The Pre-Dialogue session for government representatives aims to provide space for governments to discuss matters of concern and relevance to them. There will be an opportunity for government representatives to interact with the Directors of the Employer and Worker Bureaus of the ILO. There is also an interaction foreseen with PIFS on the 2050 Strategy for the Blue Pacific Continent, and a discussion on how the inputs from the High-Level Dialogue can be used to move forward the Decent Work agenda in the Pacific.

Objectives

Government participants of ILO Pacific member States:

- ▶ Have an opportunity to discuss matters related to social dialogue and tripartism with high-level representatives of the Workers' and Employers' Bureaus from the ILO
- ▶ Gain full understanding of the implementation of the 2050 Strategy for a Blue Pacific Continent, and exchange views on the complementarity with the Decent Work Agenda;
- ▶ Gain concrete understanding of how the ILO supports regional bodies, with specific examples, and are invited to consider similar modalities which the ILO could support to ensure tripartite advancement of the Decent Work Agenda

Questions for discussion

- ▶ What is the role of social dialogue in policy making?
- ▶ What are the complementarities between the 2050 Strategy and the Decent Work Agenda? How can synergies be best leveraged moving forward?

Detailed agenda

Facilitator: Ms Reiko Tsushima, Chief of Regional Programme Services, ILO

Chair: Hon. Dr Viliami Uasike Latu, Minister of Trade and Economic Development and Minister for Tourism, Government of the Kingdom of Tonga (proposed)

- ▶ 14.00-14.05 – Chair opening
- ▶ 14.05-14.10 – **Introduction to the session**, Director of the ILO Office for Pacific Island Countries, Mr. Martin Wandera
- ▶ 14.10-15.00 – **Interaction and discussion on tripartism and social dialogue** with Ms Maria Helena Andre, Director of Workers Bureau ACTRAV, and Ms Deborah France-Massin, Director of Employers Bureau ACTEMP, ILO
- ▶ 15.00-15.15 – *Coffee/Tea break*
- ▶ 15.15-16.00 - Presentation on **work with regional bodies** by Ms Reiko Tsushima, Chief, Regional Programme Services, ILO, followed by open discussion/Q&A
- ▶ 16.00-17.15 – Briefing by Mr Henry Cocker, Engagement Adviser Sustainable Development/SDGs, PIFS, and Ms Manisha Mudliar, Private Sector Development Officer, PIFS, on **2050 Strategy implementation**, followed by Q&A and discussion
- ▶ 17.15-17.25 – **Summary** and wrapping up of session
- ▶ 17.25-17.30 – Chair closing