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¹ All Employer and Worker participants to be invited to the events in this paper would be nominated in accordance with the usual procedure.

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Part I: Submissions approved between March and June 2010

Standards and Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work Sector

Child labour

I/1. Regional Training Meeting on ILO Child Labour Conventions

Proposed date:	23–25 June 2010
Place:	Nadi, Fiji
Financing:	Government of United States (US\$75,900)
Geographical coverage:	Maldives, Marshall Islands, Solomon Islands, Tuvalu
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	4
(b) Employers:	4
(c) Workers:	4
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) To enhance understanding and to promote the ratification of ILO Conventions Nos 138 and 182; (ii) to explain the reporting responsibilities following ratification; (iii) to provide an overview of the ILO's standards mechanisms and supervisory bodies.
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), and Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182)
Working language:	English

I/2. Subregional Meeting for an ILO–ASEAN² Roadmap for the Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labour by 2016: Tripartite Consultative Review

Proposed date:	28–29 June 2010
Place:	Bangkok, Thailand
Financing:	Government of United States and ILO regular budget (US\$32,000)
Geographical coverage:	Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	9
(b) Employers:	9
(c) Workers:	9
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) To discuss and validate the ILO report "Towards an ASEAN Roadmap for the Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labour (WFCL) by 2016", with the aim of gaining tripartite support for the presentation of the report to the ASEAN Senior Labour Officials Meeting; (ii) to examine how the roadmap might be implemented.
Resource persons:	Two representatives from the ASEAN secretariat
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182), as well as ILO core Conventions ³
Working language:	English

² Association of Southeast Asian Nations.

³ 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).

Social Protection Sector

International migration

I/3. OSCE⁴–CE⁵–UNIFEM⁶–IOM⁷–ILO Subregional Meeting on Gender-sensitive Labour Migration Policies: Awareness Raising and Training

Proposed date:	15–16 April 2010
Place:	Helsinki, Finland
Financing:	OSCE (US\$15,100) Council of Europe (US\$10,800) IOM (US\$19,000) ILO (US\$9,200) Government of Finland (US\$5,000)
Geographical coverage:	Belarus, Estonia, Finland, Latvia, Lithuania, Republic of Moldova, Norway, Poland, Russian Federation, Sweden, Ukraine
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	11
(b) Employers:	11
(c) Workers:	11
Purpose of the Meeting:	To raise awareness among senior policy-makers of the importance of developing gender-sensitive labour migration policies.
Resource persons:	International Organization for Migration (IOM) Council of Europe
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143), Private Employment Agencies Convention, 1997 (No. 181)
Working languages:	English and Finnish

⁴ Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe.

⁵ Council of Europe.

⁶ United Nations Development Fund for Women.

⁷ International Organization for Migration.

Social security

I/4. Regional Summit on Social Security: Building a Foundation of Social Protection in Africa

Proposed date:	5–7 October 2010
Place:	Yaoundé, Cameroon
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$654,000)
Geographical coverage:	All 53 countries of the Africa region
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	53
(b) Employers:	26
(c) Workers:	26
Purpose of the Summit:	(i) To follow up on the implementation of the Global Jobs Pact in Africa; (ii) to promote the inclusion of social protection in the political agenda of African countries, notably in national economic and social development plans.
Resource persons:	One university professor One communication expert
Observers:	African Union Panafrican Parliament Economic, Social and Cultural Council of the African Union United Nations Economic Commission for Africa African Development Bank European Commission West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU) Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA) East African Community (EAC) Southern African Development Community (SADC) Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS) Monetary and Economic Community of Central Africa (CEMAC) World Bank World Health Organization (WHO) United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

	United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)
	United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs
	International Social Security Association (ISSA)
	Inter-African Conference on Social Security (CIPRES)
	African Regional Labour Administration Centre (ARLAC)
	HelpAge International
	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit (GTZ)
	Department for International Development, United Kingdom
	Government of Belgium
	Government of Brazil
	Government of France
	Government of Portugal
	Government of United States
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Social Security (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1952 (No. 102), Employment Injury Benefits Convention, 1964 [Schedule I amended in 1980] (No. 121), Invalidity, Old-Age and Survivors' Benefits Convention, 1967 (No. 128), Maternity Protection Convention, 2000 (No. 183), Income Security Recommendation, 1944 (No. 67), Employment Injury Benefits Recommendation, 1964 (No. 121), Invalidity, Old-Age and Survivors' Benefits Recommendation, 1967 (No. 131), Medical Care and Sickness Benefits Recommendation, 1969 (No. 134)
Working languages:	English and French

Social Dialogue Sector

Social dialogue

I/5. Tripartite Workshop: Action plans for strengthening social dialogue councils

Proposed date:	15–16 July 2010
Place:	San José, Costa Rica
Financing:	Government of United States (US\$41,000)
Geographical coverage:	Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	12 (two per country)
(b) Employers:	12 (two per country)
(c) Workers:	12 (two per country)
Purpose of the Workshop:	To develop action plans to modernize and strengthen tripartite social dialogue consultations.
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144)
Working language:	Spanish

Sectoral activities

I/6. Tripartite Training Course on Aspects of the ILO Work in Fishing Convention, 2007 (No. 188), and Recommendation, 2007 (No. 199)

Proposed date:	18–22 October 2010
Place:	Pontevedra, Spain
Financing:	Government of Spain (US\$33,000)
Geographical coverage:	Ecuador, Peru
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	2
(b) Employers:	2
(c) Workers:	2
Purpose of the Training Course:	(i) To raise awareness amongst participants on themes related to the Work in Fishing Convention, 2007 (No. 188), such as training, risk evaluation and management, social security systems for seafarers, etc., drawing on the experience of Spain; (ii) to serve as part of the independent evaluation process for the project.
Resource persons:	Ministry of the Environment, Rural and Marine Affairs, Spain Ministry of Labour and Immigration, Spain General Union of Workers (UGT) Workers' Commissions (CCOO) Spanish Fishing Confederation (CEPESCA) Cofradía de Pescadores
Observers:	Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Work in Fishing Convention, 2007 (No. 188), Work in Fishing Recommendation, 2007 (No. 199)
Working language:	Spanish

Labour administration***I/7. Subregional High-level Seminar: Improving the partnership between labour administrations and employers' and workers' organizations for the implementation of the Ouagadougou Roadmap***

Proposed date:	1–3 December 2010
Place:	Cotonou, Bénin
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$120,000)
Geographical coverage:	Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Gabon, Mali, Niger, Senegal, Togo
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	13
(b) Employers:	13
(c) Workers:	13
Purpose of the Seminar:	(i) To review and identify ways and means of improving the role of labour administrations and of employers' and workers' organizations in developing effective professional relations systems; (ii) to instigate strategic partnerships between the three groups with a view to implementing the Ouagadougou Roadmap for Africa.
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), Labour Inspection (Agriculture) Convention, 1969 (No. 129), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), Labour Administration Convention, 1978 (No. 150)
Working language:	French

Workers' activities

I/8. Interregional Meeting on the Rights of Migrant Workers

Proposed date:	30 June–1 July 2010
Place:	Kuwait City, Kuwait
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$13,000) European Union (US\$20,000) AFL–CIO ⁸ (US\$17,000)
Geographical coverage:	Bahrain, Bangladesh, India, Indonesia, Kuwait, Nepal, Oman, Pakistan, Philippines, Qatar, Saudi Arabia
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	22
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) To facilitate a discussion between participants from Asian countries and those from Arab States on the situation of migrant workers and identify areas of cooperation based on the ILO–ACTRAV model agreement; (ii) to help trade unionists from countries of origin and destination to familiarize themselves with the purpose, scope and potential benefits of ILO instruments on migrant workers; (iii) to identify good practices and existing obstacles to trade union cooperation and areas where capacity-building activities in Asia and in the Arab States would be required.
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), and Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143)
Working languages:	English and Arabic

⁸ American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations.

Part II. Additional information

II/1. ARLAC⁹ Workshop on Strategies of Transforming the Informal Economy to Salaried Economies

Former date: 10–14 May 2010

New date: 17–21 May 2010

II/2. Subregional Tripartite Conference on the Role and Functioning of Economic and Social Councils in Western Balkan Countries and Moldova at a Time of Economic Crisis

Former date: 14–15 April 2010

New date: 30 June–1 July 2010

II/3. Regional Workshop on Monitoring and Assessing Progress on Decent Work in Asia

Former date: 18–20 May 2010

New date: 28–30 June 2010

II/4. ARLAC Workshop on Recovery through Promotion of Productive Employment and Gender

Former date: 6–10 September 2010

New date: 20–24 September 2010

II/5. ARLAC Workshop on Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labour: Understanding the Dimensions and Interventions

Former date: 4–8 October 2010

New date: 11–15 October 2010

Geneva, 8 June 2010.

Submitted for information.

⁹ African Regional Labour Administration Centre.

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<i>Date</i>	<i>Title of meeting</i>	<i>Place</i>
AFRICA		
2010		
20–24 September	ARLAC Workshop on Recovery through Promotion of Productive Employment and Gender	Harare, Zimbabwe
5–7 October	Regional Summit on Social Security: Building a Foundation of Social Protection in Africa	Yaoundé, Cameroon
11–15 October	ARLAC Workshop on the Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labour: Understanding the Dimensions and Interventions	Harare, Zimbabwe
December	Subregional High-level Seminar on Improving the Partnership between Labour Administrations and Employers' and Workers' Organizations for the Implementation of the Ouagadougou Roadmap	Cotonou, Benin
ASIA AND THE PACIFIC		
2010		
23–25 June	Regional Training on ILO Child Labour Conventions	Nadi, Fiji
28–30 June	Regional Workshop on Monitoring and Assessing Progress on Decent Work in Asia	Bangkok, Thailand
28–29 June	Towards a Subregional Roadmap for the Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labour by 2016	Bangkok, Thailand
LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN		
2010		
15–16 July	Tripartite Workshop: Action plans for strengthening social dialogue councils	San José, Costa Rica
ARAB STATES		
2010		
30 June–1 July	Interregional Meeting on the Rights of Migrant Workers	Kuwait City, Kuwait
December	Interregional Conference/Workshop on the Declaration of the Arab Employers on the Elimination of Child Labour: A Workplan for the Future	Manama, Bahrain

<i>Date</i>	<i>Title of meeting</i>	<i>Place</i>
EUROPE		
2010		
15–16 April	OSCE ¹⁰ –CE ¹¹ –UNIFEM ¹² –IOM ¹³ –ILO Subregional Training Seminar on Gender-Sensitive Labour Migration Policies	Helsinki, Finland
30 June–1 July	Subregional Tripartite Conference on the Role and Functioning of Economic and Social Councils in Western Balkan Countries and Moldova at a Time of Economic Crisis	Ohrid, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
18–22 October	Tripartite Training Course on Aspects of the ILO Work in Fishing Convention, 2007 (No. 188), and Recommendation, 2007 (No. 199)	Pontevedra, Spain

¹⁰ Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe.

¹¹ Council of Europe.

¹² United Nations Development Fund for Women.

¹³ International Organization for Migration.