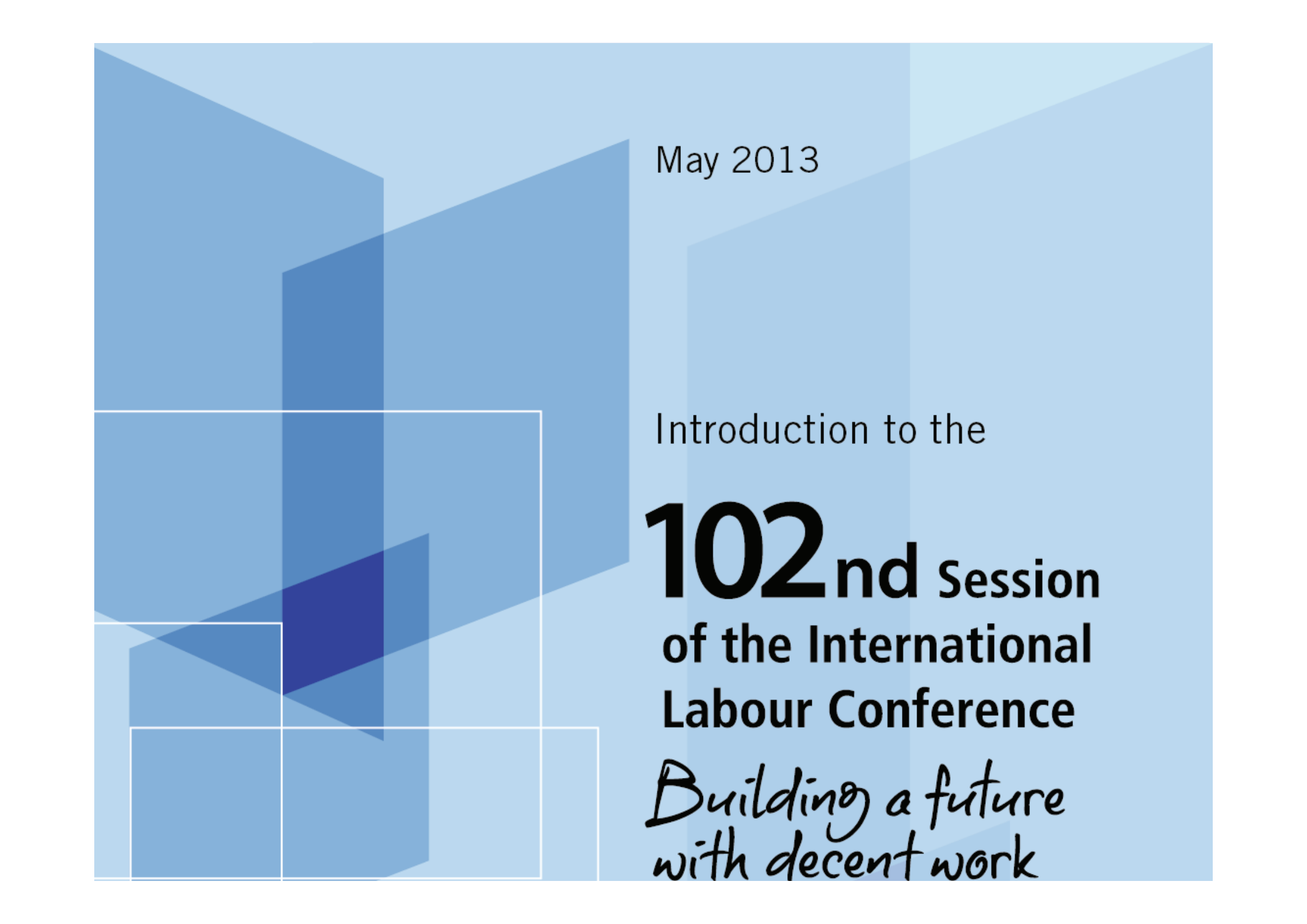




May 2013

Introduction to the

**102nd Session
of the International
Labour Conference**

*Building a future
with decent work*

OUTLINE OF THIS PRESENTATION

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- 1 What is the ILC?
- 2 Who comes and why?
- 3 How does it work?





THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION

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THE PERMANENT ORGANISATION
CONSISTS OF:

A GENERAL CONFERENCE OF
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MEMBERS

A GOVERNING BODY

AN INTERNATIONAL
LABOUR OFFICE





THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION

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MAIN FUNCTIONS OF THE CONFERENCE

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Elects the Governing Body

Adopts International Labour Standards
(Conventions and Recommendations)

Supervises the application
of Conventions and Recommendations

Adopts other texts - resolutions and conclusions

Adopts the Programme and Budget



MAIN FUNCTIONS OF THE CONFERENCE

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Also, but less frequently:

Amends the Constitution

Admits new member States non members
of the UN



Who comes to the ILC and why?

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COMPOSITION

Member States send tripartite delegations



Penalties for incomplete delegations



Who comes to the ILC and why?

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- Every delegate is entitled to speak, vote and act individually.
- Employer and Worker delegates must be nominated in agreement with the most representative national organizations of employers and workers respectively.
- Each delegate may be accompanied by advisers (not more than two for each item on the agenda).



Who comes to the ILC and why?

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In addition to delegates and advisers,
the following attend sessions of the Conference:

- Ministers, Deputy Ministers
- Representatives of non-Member States
- Representatives of other international intergovernmental organizations
- Representatives of international non-governmental organizations
- Secretariat, Press



How does it work?

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SESSION 1

The Conference Plenary



Conference Committees



How does it work?

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AGENDA

Standing items

- I. Reports of the Chairperson of the Governing Body and of the Director-General
- II. Programme and budget proposals for 2014-15 and other questions
- III. Information and reports on the application of Conventions and Recommendations



How does it work?

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AGENDA

Items placed on the agenda by the Conference or the Governing Body

- IV. Employment and social protection in a new demographic context (*general discussion*)
- V. Sustainable development, decent work and green jobs (*general discussion*)
- VI. A recurrent discussion on the strategic objective of social dialogue (*under the follow-up to the 2008 ILO Declaration on Social Justice for a Fair Globalization*) and
- VII. Review of the measures previously adopted by the Conference to secure compliance by Myanmar with the recommendations of the Commission of Inquiry



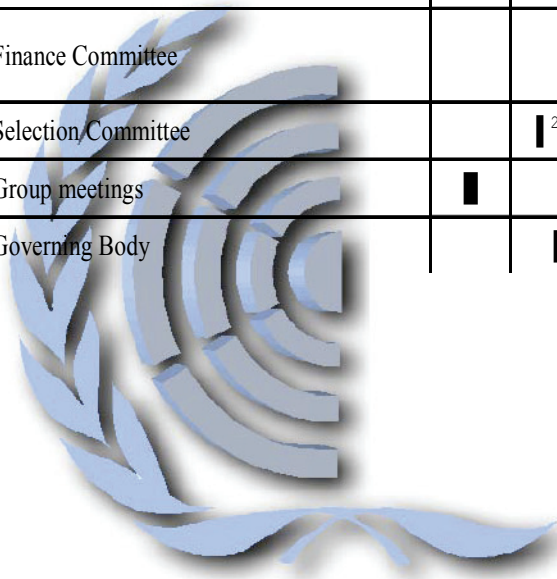
The Conference at work

Tentative plan of work (as of 25 April 2012)

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Committee for the Recurrent Discussion on Social Dialogue (<i>recurrent discussion</i>)		I ²	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I		A		PI		
Committee on the Employment and social protection in the new demographic context (<i>general discussion</i>)		I ²	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	A ¹			PI		
Committee on Sustainable development, Decent work and Green jobs(<i>general discussion</i>)		I ²	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	A ¹			PI		
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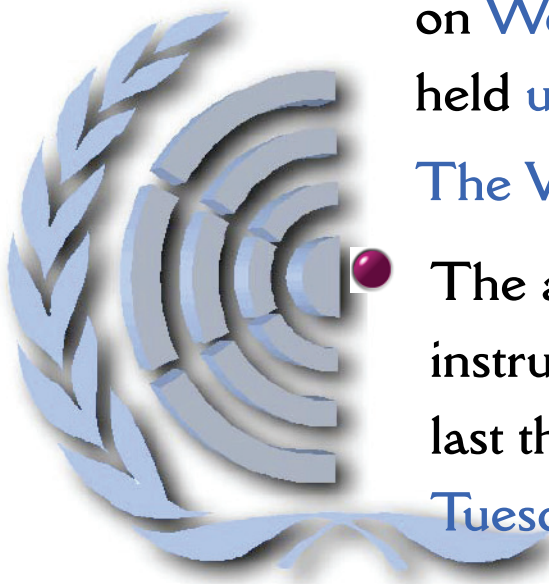


SO WHAT HAPPENS IN PLENARY?

- The opening sitting is held on **Wednesday of the first week (5 June)**. According to the format introduced in 2007, plenary sittings are normally suspended until the third week, unless there are urgent matters requiring the attention of the ILC.
- This year, the discussion of the Reports of the Director-General and of the Governing Body in plenary will start on **Wednesday 12 June**. Plenary sittings will then be held until **Thursday, 20 June**.

The World of Work Summit is scheduled on 17 June.

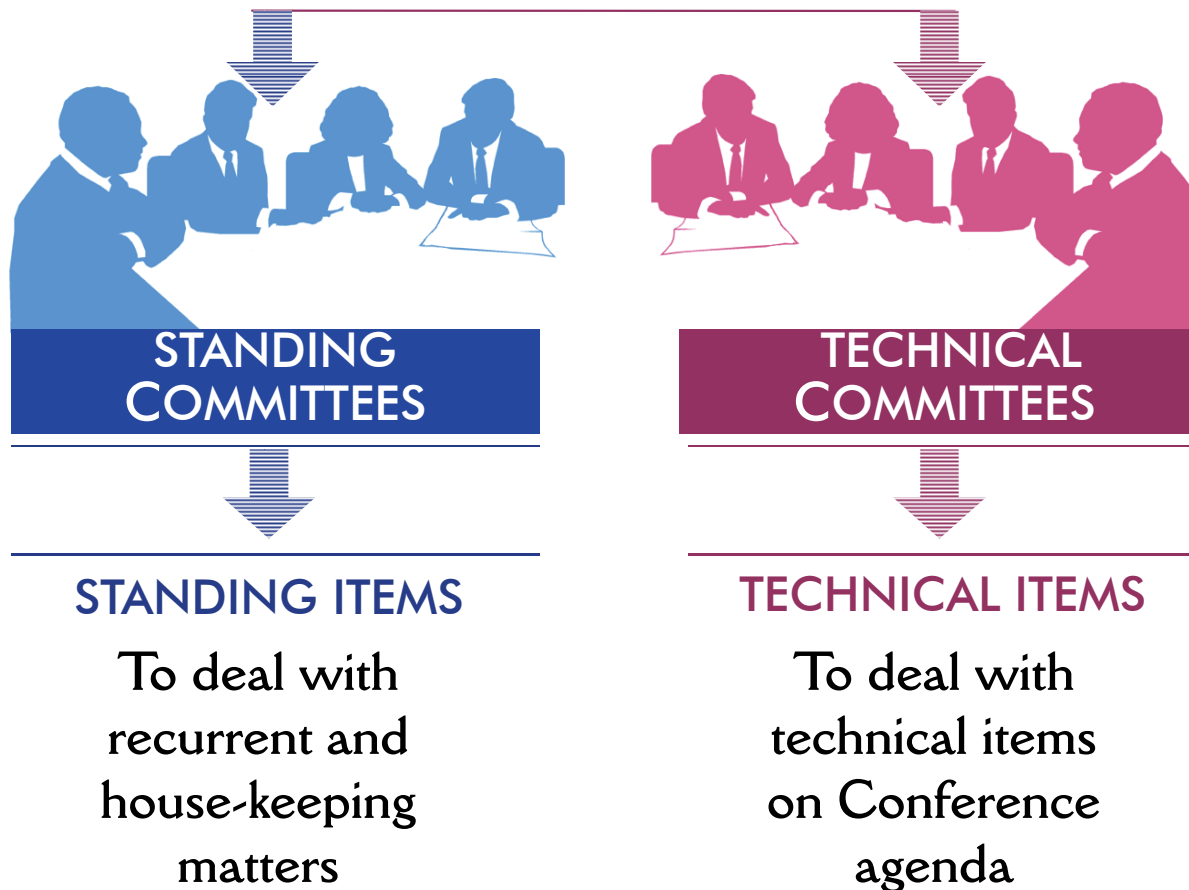
- The adoption of Committee reports, international instruments and other texts usually takes place in the last three days of the Conference (this year, **Tuesday 18, Wednesday 19 and Thursday 20 June**).



CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

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TYPES OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEES



STANDING COMMITTEES

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Selection



Credentials



**Application of Conventions
and Recommendations**



Finance



**Resolutions (suspended
and not reactivated)**



Standing Orders (if necessary)



STANDING COMMITTEES

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Selection Committee

Appointed by the Conference at its first sitting:
28 Government members, 14 Employer and
14 Worker members.

Arranges the programme of the Conference,
recommends the establishment and composition of
all other Committees.

In fact, it now normally meets only once,
on the opening day of the Conference,
and delegates its functions for the remainder
of the Conference to its Officers. The programme
of each day, once approved, is reproduced in the
Daily Bulletin.



STANDING COMMITTEES

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Credentials Committee

Consists of one Government, one Employer and one Worker delegate.

Examines the credentials of delegates and their advisers and any objections, complaints or communications that may be submitted in relation to the credentials.

It also establishes the quorum of the plenary and of the committees.



STANDING COMMITTEES

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Application of Conventions and Recommendations

Considers the measures taken by member States to give effect to the provisions of ratified Conventions and to their constitutional obligations relating to Conventions and Recommendations.



STANDING COMMITTEES

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Finance Committee of Government Representatives

Consists of one Government delegate from each member State represented at the Conference. Examines the Programme and Budget proposals every second year, the allocation of contributions among member States, and other financial and administrative matters.



TECHNICAL COMMITTEES

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To consider technical items
placed on the Conference agenda.

The objectives of these can be either:

- Adoption of an instrument
(single or double discussion)
- General discussion
- or
- Recurrent discussion under 2008
Declaration



MANDATE OF COMMITTEES

- **General discussion committees:** ●
To discuss the topic referred to the Committee, and to reach conclusions to be submitted to and adopted by the Conference Plenary

- **Recurrent item committees:** ●
To understand better the diverse realities and needs of its Members with respect to each of the strategic objectives, respond more effectively to them, using all the means of action at its disposal... reach conclusions to be submitted to the Plenary

