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Part I. Submissions approved between March and June 2013

Sectoral activities

I/1. Regional Meeting on Work in Fishing: Increasing the knowledge base and sharing good practices for the protection of migrant workers

Proposed date:	26–27 June 2013
Place:	Makassar, Indonesia
Financing:	CIDA ² (US\$69,500) AusAID (US\$3,000)
Geographical coverage:	Cambodia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Thailand, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	14
(b) Employers:	8
(c) Workers:	8
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to increase understanding of international standards on work in fishing and to share good practices in labour inspection, group organization, the complaints mechanism and support services; (ii) to discuss the protection of migrant workers and the reduction of labour exploitation in the industry; (iii) to share data and research on the fishing sector; and (iv) to consider recommendations for ASEAN ³ regional partnerships and bilateral cooperation.
Resource persons:	Two resource persons from the Republic of Korea and Japan

² Canadian International Development Agency.

³ Association of Southeast Asian Nations.

Observers:	ASEAN CIDA Government of Indonesia Local trade union organizations Local NGOs International Organization for Migration (IOM), Jakarta
Relevance to international labour standards:	Work in Fishing Convention, 2007 (No. 188), Work in Fishing Recommendation, 2007 (No. 199)
Working language:	English

I/2. Regional Meeting on Collective Bargaining in the Public Sector

Proposed date:	6–8 August 2013
Place:	Brasilia, Brazil
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$35,000) ISP (US\$20,000)
Geographical coverage:	Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Guatemala, Honduras, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	11
(b) Workers:	18
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to promote the ratification and application of ILO Conventions Nos 151 and 154; (ii) to present the manual prepared by SECTOR on collective bargaining in the public sector; and (iii) to promote quality public services through fair labour relations.
Observer:	Asociación Latinoamericana de Alcaldes
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:	Spanish

Governance and tripartism

I/3. Interregional Conference on Reforming Labour Administration in the Changing MENA⁴ Region

Proposed date:	7–9 May 2013
Place:	Marrakech, Morocco
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$182,900)
Geographical coverage:	Algeria, Bahrain, Djibouti, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Somalia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Yemen
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	60
(b) Employers:	40
(c) Workers:	40
Purpose of the Conference:	(i) to discuss labour market governance, labour administration and inspection in the MENA region; and (ii) to identify reform priorities and the means to pursue them.
Resource persons:	Four experts on labour administration from the MENA region Three international resource persons from Brazil, Ireland and Turkey
Relevance to international labour standards:	Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Labour Administration Convention, 1978 (No. 150)
Working languages:	English and Arabic

I/4. Study Tour on the Child Labour Monitoring System (CLMS)

Proposed date:	4–5 June 2013
Place:	Dushanbe, Tajikistan
Financing:	Government of Germany (US\$20,000)
Geographical coverage:	Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan

⁴ Middle East and North Africa.

Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	6
(b) Employers:	3
(c) Workers:	3
Purpose of the meeting:	To share knowledge about significant steps taken by the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection to implement child labour monitoring systems in Tajikistan and to discuss their impact on the elimination of child labour in urban and rural areas.
Resource persons:	Ten experts in child labour/project staff
Relevance to international labour standards:	Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182)
Working language:	Russian

I/5. Study Tour on the Experience of the Trade Unions of Education and Science Workers of Kyrgyzstan (TUESWK) in Addressing Child Labour in Kyrgyzstan

Proposed date:	18–20 June 2013
Place:	Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan
Financing:	Government of Germany (US\$26,700)
Geographical coverage:	Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Tajikistan
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	6
(b) Employers:	3
(c) Workers:	6
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to raise awareness on how child labour issues have been dealt with by TUESWK through examples of good practices; (ii) to explore which practical tools have been applied and to raise awareness of the role that trade unions and the public at large can play; (iii) to discuss how the project partners and social partners can strengthen their networking efforts in the area of child labour; and (iv) to determine how child labour issues can be mainstreamed into local government policies and the political agenda.

Resource persons:	Four trade union and employment specialists
Relevance to international labour standards:	Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182)
Working language:	Russian

I/6. Regional Seminar on Best Practices in Decent Work

Proposed date:	24–27 June 2013
Place:	Brasilia, Brazil
Financing:	Government of United States (US\$55,000) Government of Brazil (US\$25,000)
Geographical coverage:	Plurinational State of Bolivia, Brazil, Ecuador, Haiti, Paraguay, Peru
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	12
(b) Employers:	6
(c) Workers:	6
Purpose of the Seminar:	(i) to promote decent work in the region, through South–South cooperation; and (ii) to exchange experience and best practices on child labour, the elimination of forced labour and safety and health at work.
Resource persons:	Twelve regional experts in child labour, forced labour and occupational safety and health
Observers:	Government of United States, Department of Labor Brazilian Cooperation Agency (ABC) State Forum for the Prevention and Eradication of Child Labour, Mato Grosso State forum for the fight against forced labour, Mato Grosso
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981 (No. 155), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182)
Working languages:	French, Spanish and Portuguese

I/7. Subregional Bipartite Meeting on Decent Work and Social Dialogue in Central America, Panama and the Dominican Republic

Proposed date:	27–28 June 2013
Place:	San José, Costa Rica
Financing:	Government of United States (US\$28,700) ILO regular budget (US\$5,500)
Geographical coverage:	Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama
Composition of participants:	
(a) Employers:	15 (2 per country, except Costa Rica, 3)
(b) Workers:	15 (2 per country, except Costa Rica, 3)
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to promote the exchange of information, vision and perspectives between workers' and employers' representatives which will lead to a bipartite reflection on decent work in the subregion; (ii) to strengthen the regional authorities (CSU ⁵ and FEDEPRICAP ⁶), giving room for the establishment of a fluid bipartite dialogue at the subregional level, to address issues common to employers and workers; and (iii) to strengthen the atmosphere of trust between workers' and employers' organizations, mutual understanding being necessary for subregional social dialogue.
Relevance to international labour standards:	ILO core Conventions, ⁷ Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Social Security (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1952 (No. 102), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144)
Working language:	Spanish

⁵ Consejo Sindical Unitario de America Central y el Caribe.

⁶ Federación de Entidades Privadas de Centroamérica, Panamá y República Dominicana.

⁷ 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/8. Subregional Meeting on Analysing Decent Work Indicators

Proposed date:	26–30 August 2013
Place:	San Salvador, El Salvador
Financing:	Government of Spain (US\$42,000)
Geographical coverage:	Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	12 (2 from each country except Costa Rica (1) and Dominican Republic (1))
(b) Employers:	2
(c) Workers:	2
Purpose of the Meeting:	To strengthen the Network of Labour Market Observatories of Central America and the Dominican Republic.
Resource persons:	Four
Observers:	Local labour market observatories
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Employment Service Convention, 1948 (No. 88), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142)
Working language:	Spanish

I/9. Regional Workshop on Strengthening Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) Systems for the Excluded

Proposed date:	4–8 November 2013
Place:	Harare, Zimbabwe
Financing:	ILO RBTC (US\$23,300) ILO regular budget (US\$10,000)
Geographical coverage:	Botswana, Egypt, Kenya, Lesotho, Mauritius, Namibia, Nigeria, South Africa, Zambia, Zimbabwe
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	10
(b) Employers:	10
(c) Workers:	10
Purpose of the Workshop:	(i) to identify the parties covered by OSH standards, national legislation and policy;

- (ii) to analyse the role of OSH in promoting safe work in the informal economy;
- (iii) to describe and interpret the current challenges of OSH inspectorates in protecting workers and workplaces; and
- (iv) to propose a way forward in the development of an inclusive labour inspectorate framework.

Resource persons:

Two international consultants

One regional consultant

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Radiation Protection Convention, 1960 (No. 115), Occupational Cancer Convention, 1974 (No. 139), Working Environment (Air Pollution, Noise and Vibration) Convention, 1977 (No. 148), Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981 (No. 155), Occupational Health Services Convention, 1985 (No. 161), Asbestos Convention, 1986 (No. 162), Safety and Health in Construction Convention, 1988 (No. 167), Chemicals Convention, 1990 (No. 170), Prevention of Major Industrial Accidents Convention, 1993 (No. 174), Safety and Health in Mines Convention, 1995 (No. 176), Safety and Health in Agriculture Convention, 2001 (No. 184), Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 2006 (No. 187), Protection of Workers' Health Recommendation, 1953 (No. 97), Welfare Facilities Recommendation, 1956 (No. 102), Radiation Protection Recommendation, 1960 (No. 114), Hygiene (Commerce and Offices) Recommendation, 1964 (No. 120), Occupational Cancer Recommendation, 1974 (No. 147), Working Environment (Air Pollution, Noise and Vibration) Recommendation, 1977 (No. 156), Occupational Safety and Health Recommendation, 1981 (No. 164), Occupational Health Services Recommendation, 1985 (No. 171), Asbestos Recommendation, 1986 (No. 172), Safety and Health in Construction Recommendation, 1988 (No. 175), Chemicals Recommendation, 1990 (No. 177), Prevention of Major Industrial Accidents Recommendation, 1993 (No. 181), Safety and Health in Mines Recommendation, 1995 (No. 183), Safety and Health in Agriculture Recommendation, 2001 (No. 192), List of Occupational Diseases Recommendation, 2002 (No. 194), Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Recommendation, 2006 (No. 197)

Working language:

English

Conditions of work and equality

I/10. Regional Meeting on Sustainable Development, Decent Work and Social Inclusion in Latin America and the Caribbean

Proposed date:	7–8 May 2013
Place:	São Paulo, Brazil
Financing:	Government of Norway (US\$30,000)
Geographical coverage:	Brazil, Chile, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Nicaragua
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	19
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to analyse the major factors which affect the creation of decent work and uneven growth of income; (ii) to analyse macroeconomic, social and labour policies for the promotion of productive and rights-based decent work; (iii) to draw up trade union proposals for inclusion in national decent workplans; and (iv) to follow up the conclusions of the 99th Session of the ILC (2010) in relation to the Declaration on Social Justice.
Relevance to international labour standards:	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), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), Labour Relations (Public Service) Convention, 1978 (No. 151), Workers with Family Responsibilities Convention, 1981 (No. 156), Maternity Protection Convention, 2000 (No. 183), Employment Relationship Recommendation, 2006 (No. 198), ILO core Conventions. ⁸
Working language:	Spanish

⁸ 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/11. European Conference on Promoting Integration
for Migrant Domestic Workers in Europe**

Proposed date:	31 May 2013
Place:	Brussels, Belgium
Financing:	European Union (US\$60,500)
Geographical coverage:	Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal, Romania, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	18
(b) Employers:	18
(c) Workers:	18
Purpose of the Conference:	(i) to raise awareness of the situation of migrant domestic workers in the region; (ii) to encourage action to protect their rights and enhance their socio-economic integration in European labour markets and societies; (iii) to share project research findings and recommendations and exchange good practices; and (iv) to identify possible future actions at EU level within the framework of the Convention as well as in light of other international labour standards and the Multilateral Framework on Labour Migration.
Resource persons:	Four representatives from domestic workers'/migrant organizations Seven academic experts Four senior officials from regional governing bodies: European Commission, European Parliament, Fundamental Rights Agency and the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (EUROFOUND) Two representatives from the ITUC⁹ and ETUC¹⁰
Observers:	International Organization for Migration (IOM) Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) UN Women

⁹ International Trade Union Confederation.

¹⁰ European Trade Union Confederation.

Relevance to international labour standards:	Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143), Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189), Domestic Workers Recommendation, 2011 (No. 201)
Working languages:	English, French and Spanish

I/12. Subregional Meeting on Vocational Training from a Gender Perspective

Proposed date:	7–9 August 2013
Place:	San José, Costa Rica
Financing:	Government of Spain (US\$36,500)
Geographical coverage:	Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	7
(b) Employers:	7
(c) Workers:	7
Purpose of the Meeting:	To analyse the state of gender equality in the supply of training by vocational training institutes in the Central American subregion, with respect to access, retention and graduation.
Resource persons:	One expert in vocational training One expert in gender issues
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Human Resources Development Recommendation, 2004 (No. 195)
Working language:	Spanish

I/13. Training on Gender Equality at Work for Judges of the Caribbean

Proposed date:	16–20 September 2013
Place:	Bridgetown, Barbados
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$107,700)
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, as well as the following non-metropolitan territories: Anguilla, Aruba, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Curaçao, Montserrat, Saint Maarten, and Turks and Caicos Islands

Composition of participants:	
(a) Employers:	1
(b) Workers:	1
(c) Legal professionals:	88
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to foster an appreciation for the ILO standard-setting function and supervisory machinery as it relates to national law on gender equality; (ii) to deepen knowledge of international labour standards related to gender equality; and (iii) to strengthen judicial capacity to apply international labour law in resolving national labour disputes on gender inequality.
Resource persons:	One legal educator from the University of the West Indies
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Workers with Family Responsibilities Convention, 1981 (No. 156), Maternity Protection Convention, 2000 (No. 183), Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189), HIV and AIDS Recommendation, 2010 (No. 200)
Working language:	English

I/14. Subregional Meeting for Professional Upgrading on International and National Legal Frameworks for Courts in East Africa

Proposed date:	7–11 October 2013
Place:	Dar es Salaam, United Republic of Tanzania
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$75,000)
Geographical coverage:	Kenya, Rwanda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda
Composition of participants:	
(a) Employers:	1
(b) Workers:	1
(c) Judges and registrars dealing with labour disputes	16 (4 from each country)
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to present the ILO's standard-setting function and supervisory machinery and its potential for enforcing national laws on gender equality; (ii) to examine gender-related concepts and principles as they relate to the participants' professional roles; and

	(iii) to update the participants' knowledge in relation to gender-related ILO Conventions and Recommendations.
Resource persons:	One resource person with expertise in the application of ILO Conventions and Recommendations One national lawyer from the subregion
Relevance to international labour standards:	Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Workers with Family Responsibilities Convention, 1981 (No. 156), Maternity Protection Convention, 2000 (No. 183), Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189), HIV and AIDS Recommendation, 2010 (No. 200)
Working language:	English

Employers' activities

I/15. Subregional Workshop for Employers on Analysing and Shaping the Business Environment to Influence Policy Development

Proposed date:	26–28 August 2013
Place:	St. John's, Antigua and Barbuda
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$85,000)
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:	
Employers:	35
Purpose of the Workshop:	(i) to explore how to measure the effectiveness of the activities and interventions of employers' organizations; (ii) to gain a better understanding of the wider (international and regional) economic, political and social environment in which they operate; (iii) to share and discuss lessons learned from initiatives implemented on a national basis; and (iv) to develop priorities for Caribbean employers' organizations and to guide the work of the ILO in capacity building for the coming biennium.

Resource persons:	Six international resource persons, experts in employment and business
Relevance to international labour standards:	ILO core Conventions ¹¹ and the Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144)
Working language:	English

Workers' activities

I/16. Andean Workshop on the Effectiveness of Trade Union Regulation and Self-reform

Proposed date:	24–26 April 2013
Place:	Lima, Peru
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$40,000)
Geographical coverage:	Plurinational State of Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	16
Purpose of the Workshop:	(i) to establish a dialogue between union leaders on the principal criteria to be taken into account in reforms for the development of unionization and collective bargaining; (ii) to assess the relationship between trade union self-reform and the effectiveness of trade union regulation in the countries of the Andean subregion in order to identify functions and structures that need to be promoted on behalf of trade union confederations; and (iii) to share experiences on the struggle for gender equality as part of the effectiveness of regulation and the promotion of trade union self-reform.
Resource persons:	Academics specializing in labour matters Representatives of the Government of Peru

¹¹ 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).

Observers:	Coordinator of Andean Trade Union Confederations (CCSA) Plan of Social Development (PLADES) Asociación Aurora Vivar Solidarity Center of the American Federation of Labor–Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL–CIO) Fondo de Cooperación al Desarrollo – Solidaridad Socialista (FOS) UN Women Unión Nacional de Trabajadores del Estado (UNTE)
Relevance to international labour standards:	Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), 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 Inspection (Agriculture) Convention, 1969 (No. 129), Workers’ Representatives Convention, 1971 (No. 135), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), Labour Administration Convention, 1978 (No. 150), Labour Relations (Public Service) Convention, 1978 (No. 151), Collective Bargaining Convention, 1981 (No. 154), Protection of Workers’ Claims (Employer’s Insolvency) Convention, 1992 (No. 173), Voluntary Conciliation and Arbitration Recommendation, 1951 (No. 92), Co-operation at the Level of the Undertaking Recommendation, 1952 (No. 94), Employment Relationship Recommendation, 2006 (No. 198)
Working language:	Spanish

II/17. Subregional Workshop: The United Trade Union Council of Central America and the Caribbean (CSU) and its strategies for women’s trade union and labour empowerment

Proposed date:	6–8 May 2013
Place:	San José, Costa Rica
Financing:	Government of United States (US\$22,800) ILO regular budget (US\$5,700)
Geographical coverage:	Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	25

Purpose of the Workshop:	(i) to reinforce strategy and planning in gender policies and the participation of women in the trade union movement at every level, in order to strengthen the CSU and CRAMS¹² in its aim of achieving gender equality; (ii) to develop an action plan to promote the mainstreaming of gender in trade union, labour market and socio-political matters, through the empowerment and active leadership of women; and (iii) to strengthen the mechanisms of coordination, cooperation and performance of the CSU and its affiliates in order to consolidate the development and results of the CSU–CRAMS 2012–15 gender workplan.
Resource persons:	Three experts from the CSA ¹³
Relevance to international labour standards:	Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Workers with Family Responsibilities Convention, 1981 (No. 156), Maternity Protection Convention, 2000 (No. 183), Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189), Equal Remuneration Recommendation, 1951 (No. 90), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Recommendation, 1958 (No. 111), Workers with Family Responsibilities Recommendation, 1981 (No. 165), Maternity Protection Recommendation, 2000 (No. 191), Domestic Workers Recommendation, 2011 (No. 201)
Working language:	Spanish

I/18. Subregional Meeting on Strengthening Trade Unions through Trade Union Education

Proposed date:	20–24 May 2013
Place:	Kathmandu, Nepal
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$30,000)
Geographical coverage:	Afghanistan, Bangladesh, India, Republic of Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka

¹² Comisión Regional Ampliada de Mujeres Sindicalistas.

¹³ Confederación Sindical de Trabajadores de las Américas.

Composition of participants:	
Workers:	21
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to create a network of trade union educators in the subregion, who have appropriate skills in education and training; and (ii) to assist in strengthening trade union education in the subregion.
Resource persons:	One consultant in trade union education
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), Paid Educational Leave Convention, 1974 (No. 140)
Working language:	English

I/19. Trade Union Meeting of Experts on the Post-2015 Development Agenda

Proposed date:	21–22 May 2013
Place:	Geneva, Switzerland
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$40,000)
Geographical coverage:	Argentina, Bahrain, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Colombia, Dominican Republic, Ghana, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Morocco, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Senegal, South Africa, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	18
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to strengthen trade union engagement in the national and international processes leading to the formulation of the post-2015 development agenda; (ii) to draft a trade union policy platform on the post-2015 development agenda; and (iii) to develop a trade union strategy to ensure that decent work is an internationally agreed goal of the post-2015 development framework.

Resource persons:	ITUC ¹⁴ –Africa ITUC–Asia ITUC–Americas Organization of African Trade Union Unity (OATUU) East African Trade Union Confederation (EATUC) Two academics One member of the UN High-Level Panel on the Post-2015 Development Agenda
Observers:	Global Union federations International trade union organizations National trade union organizations from developed countries
Relevance to international labour standards:	ILO core Conventions ¹⁵
Working languages:	English, French and Spanish

I/20. Subregional Workshop on Decent Work and Trade Union Self-reform

Proposed date:	22–24 May 2013
Place:	San José, Costa Rica
Financing:	Government of United States (US\$22,800) ILO regular budget (US\$5,700)
Geographical coverage:	Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	25
Purpose of the Workshop:	(i) to analyse the situation of youth employment in the subregion and of youth leaders in the trade union organizations affiliated to the CSU; ¹⁶

¹⁴ International Trade Union Confederation.

¹⁵ 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).

¹⁶ Consejo Sindical Unitario de las Américas y el Caribe.

- (ii) to strengthen the CSU Youth Commission and to analyse youth policies and workplans of the youth commissions of CSU and CSA¹⁷ affiliates;
- (iii) to bring young people's point of view to the regional trade union decent work agenda and to the ILO's regional decent work programmes; and
- (iv) to strengthen youth leadership, with a gender perspective in trade union structures, as part of the trade union self-reform process initiated by the CSA.

Resource persons:

Three experts from the CSA

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), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Employment Relationship Recommendation, 2006 (No. 198), and the Declaration on Social Justice for a Fair Globalization (2008)

Working language:

Spanish

I/21. Subregional Workshop on Trade Union Strategies for Contributing to the Sustainability of National Social Security Systems

Proposed date:

27–29 May 2013

Place:

San José, Costa Rica

Financing:

Government of United States (US\$23,900)
ILO regular budget (US\$5,700)

Geographical coverage:

Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama

Composition of participants:

Workers:

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Purpose of the Workshop:

To draw up trade union strategies and proposals to protect and guarantee the sustainability of national social security systems in the Central America and Dominican Republic region.

¹⁷ Confederación Sindical de Trabajadores de las Américas.

Resource persons:	Three experts from the CSA ¹⁸
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), Social Security (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1952 (No. 102), Equality of Treatment (Social Security) Convention, 1962 (No. 118), Invalidity, Old-Age and Survivors' Benefits Convention, 1967 (No. 128), Medical Care and Sickness Benefits Convention, 1969 (No. 130), Maintenance of Social Security Rights Convention, 1982 (No. 157), Employment Promotion and Protection against Unemployment Convention, 1988 (No. 168), Maternity Protection Convention, 2000 (No. 183), Social Protection Floors Recommendation, 2012 (No. 202), ILO Declaration on Social Justice for a Fair Globalization (2008)
Working language:	Spanish

Part II. Additional information

II/1. Workers' Meeting on Sustainable Development and Labour Migration ¹⁹

Original date: 22–23 April 2013

New date: 17–19 May 2013

II/2. ECOWAS–ILO Symposium on the West Africa Regional Action Plan to Eliminate Child Labour ²⁰

Original date: 22–26 April 2013

New date: 27–29 May 2013

II/3. Workers' Meeting on Sustainable Development and Labour Migration ²¹

Original date: 23–24 May 2013

New date: 24–25 June 2013

¹⁸ Confederación Sindical de Trabajadores de las Américas.

¹⁹ GB.317/Inf/2, I/29.

²⁰ GB.317/Inf/2, I/8.

²¹ GB.317/Inf/2, I/31.

**II/4. Meeting of the TRIANGLE²² Subregional
Advisory Committee (SURAC)²³**

Original date: 29–30 April 2013

New date: 9–10 May 2013

**II/5. Inter-agency Meeting on Social Protection in
Latin America and the Caribbean²⁴**

Original date: 6–7 May 2013

New date: 26–27 August 2013

Geneva, 31 May 2013

²² Tripartite Action to Protect Migrants within and from the Greater Mekong Subregion from Labour Exploitation.

²³ GB.317/Inf.2/ I/14.

²⁴ GB.317/Inf/2, I/9.

Timetable of approved symposia, seminars, workshops and similar meetings

<i>Date</i>	<i>Title of meeting</i>	<i>Place</i>
AFRICA		
2013		
29 July–2 August	ARLAC Workshop on Investing in Skills Development and Sustainable Enterprise for Decent Work	Harare, Zimbabwe
7–11 October	Subregional Meeting for Professional Upgrading on International and National Legal Frameworks for Courts in East Africa	Dar es Salaam, United Republic of Tanzania
4–8 November	Regional Workshop on Strengthening Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) Systems for the Excluded	Harare, Zimbabwe
ASIA AND THE PACIFIC		
2013		
20–24 May	Subregional Meeting on Strengthening Trade Unions through Trade Union Education	Kathmandu, Nepal
26–27 June	Regional Meeting on Work in Fishing: Increasing the knowledge base and sharing good practices for the protection of migrant workers	Makassar, Indonesia
LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN		
2013		
24–26 April	Andean Workshop on the Effectiveness of Trade Union Regulation and Self-reform	Lima, Peru
6–8 May	Subregional Workshop: The United Trade Union Council of Central America and the Caribbean (CSU) and its strategies for women's trade union and labour empowerment	San José, Costa Rica
7–8 May	Regional Meeting on Sustainable Development, Decent Work and Social Inclusion in Latin America and the Caribbean	São Paulo, Brazil
22–24 May	Subregional Workshop on Decent Work and Trade Union Self-reform	San José, Costa Rica
27–29 May	Subregional Workshop on Trade Union Strategies for Contributing to the Sustainability of National Social Security Systems	San José, Costa Rica
24–27 June	Regional Seminar on Best Practices in Decent Work	Brasilia, Brazil
27–28 June	Subregional Bipartite Meeting on Decent Work and Social Dialogue in Central America, Panama and the Dominican Republic	San José, Costa Rica
6–8 August	Regional Meeting on Collective Bargaining in the Public Sector	Brasilia, Brazil
7–9 August	Subregional Meeting on Vocational Training from a Gender Perspective	San José, Costa Rica
26–28 August	Subregional Workshop for Employers on Analysing and Shaping the Business Environment to Influence Policy Development	St. John's, Antigua and Barbuda
26–30 August	Subregional Meeting on Analysing Decent Work Indicators	San Salvador, El Salvador
16–20 September	Training on Gender Equality at Work for Judges of the Caribbean	Bridgetown, Barbados

EUROPE**2013**

31 May	European Conference on Promoting Integration for Migrant Domestic Workers in Europe	Brussels, Belgium
4–5 June	Study Tour on the Child Labour Monitoring System (CLMS)	Dushanbe, Tajikistan
18–20 June	Study Tour on the Experience of the Trade Unions of Education and Science Workers of Kyrgyzstan (TUESWK) in Addressing Child Labour in Kyrgyzstan	Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan

INTERREGIONAL**2013**

7–9 May	Interregional Conference on Reforming Labour Administration in the Changing MENA ¹ Region	Marrakech, Morocco
21–22 May	Trade Union Meeting of Experts on the Post-2015 Development Agenda	Geneva, Switzerland

¹ Middle East and North Africa.