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Employment policy

I/1. Regional Meeting: What works in youth employment – Sharing policies from Asia and the Pacific

Proposed date:	15–16 September 2014
Place:	Bangkok, Thailand
Financing:	Government of Japan (US\$30,000)
Geographical coverage:	Indonesia, Mongolia, Nepal
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	3
(b) Employers:	3
(c) Workers:	3
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to share information and lessons learned by studying policies and legislation in the region; (ii) to deepen understanding of existing policies and best practices so as to support policy-makers make informed decisions to tackle the youth employment crisis; and (iii) to highlight potential opportunities in project development and strengthen the capacity of constituents and key partners to take action to promote youth employment.
Resource persons:	One facilitator Three experts in employment policy
Observers:	International Organisation of Employers (IOE) International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189)
Working language:	English

**I/2. Interregional Workshop: What works for youth –
The role of employment services**

Proposed date:	25–26 September 2014
Place:	Geneva, Switzerland
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$70,000)
Geographical coverage:	Cambodia, China, Jamaica, Netherlands, Portugal, Russian Federation, South Africa, Sweden, Switzerland, Uruguay
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	10
(b) Employers:	4
(c) Workers:	4
Purpose of the Workshop:	(i) to gather information with the aim of developing a report highlighting the challenges that employment service providers face when assisting young jobseekers; and (ii) to present a series of recommendations to governments for the development of new initiatives for youth in employment services.
Observers:	World Association of Public Employment Services (WAPES) International Organisation of Employers (IOE) International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Employment Service Convention, 1948 (No. 88)
Working languages:	English and Spanish

**I/3. Subregional Meeting of Members of the
Youth Employment Network**

Proposed date:	13–17 October 2014
Place:	St Petersburg, Russian Federation
Financing:	Lukoil (US\$73,600) International Training Centre, Turin (US\$9,400)
Geographical coverage:	Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russian Federation, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan

Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	21
(b) Employers:	3
(c) Workers:	3
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to increase knowledge on how to analyse and develop statistics, evidence-based policies and strategies for youth employment; (ii) to elaborate and share policy and programme tools as part of a toolkit for mutual learning on country peer reviews of youth employment policies and programmes; and (iii) to investigate youth employment policy-making in the BRICS ² context, looking at examples of best practices.
Resource persons:	Four representatives of the Governments of Brazil, China, India and South Africa One representative of the International Organisation of Employers (IOE) One representative of the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Employment Service Convention, 1948 (No. 88), 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), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (Disabled Persons) Convention, 1983 (No. 159), Employment Promotion and Protection against Unemployment Convention, 1988 (No. 168), Private Employment Agencies Convention, 1997 (No. 181), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182)
Working languages:	English and Russian

² Brazil, Russian Federation, India, China and South Africa.

I/4. Subregional Workshop: Completion of the Project for Strengthening of Integrated Systems of Training, Guidance and Employment (FOIL)

Proposed date:	18–19 November 2014
Place:	La Antigua, Guatemala
Financing:	Government of Spain (US\$52,300)
Geographical coverage:	Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	21
(b) Employers:	7
(c) Workers:	7
Purpose of the Workshop:	(i) to present the results achieved by the FOIL project in the field of employment and vocational training; (ii) to analyse the strengths, opportunities, weaknesses and threats exposed by the project; and (iii) to define future options and regional areas of work in the fields of employment and vocational training.
Observers:	Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID)
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), Private Employment Agencies Convention, 1997 (No. 181), Employment Policy (Supplementary Provisions) Recommendation, 1984 (No. 169), Private Employment Agencies Recommendation, 1997 (No. 188), Human Resources Development Recommendation, 2004 (No. 195)
Working language:	Spanish

Enterprises

I/5. Regional Meeting of Caribbean countries and Peru for consultations on Decent Work, Climate Change and Sustainable Development

Proposed date:	13 October 2014
Place:	Lima, Peru
Financing:	RBTC (US\$55,000)
Geographical coverage:	Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Peru, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	15
(b) Employers:	15
(c) Workers:	15
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to promote better recognition of the social and labour dimension, both in the promotion of the green economy as well as in response to climate change, through strategic dialogue, exchange of experiences and South–South cooperation; (ii) to enrich the debate of the ILO’s 18th American Regional Meeting and contribute to South–South cooperation, with a possible focus on the creation of green jobs, vocational training and the development of new qualifications for a transition to a green economy; and (iii) to take lessons learned and recommendations as input to the preparation of the next Conference of Parties (COP) of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, which will take place in Lima in December 2014.
Resource persons:	Representatives of the Government of Peru United Nations experts on the environment, risk and disasters
Observers:	Partnership for Action on Green Economy (PAGE)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Social Policy (Basic Aims and Standards) Convention, 1962 (No. 117), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Working Conditions (Hotels and Restaurants) Convention, 1991 (No. 172)
Working languages:	English and Spanish

Social protection**I/6. Subregional Meeting on the Implementation of the ASEAN Declaration on Strengthening Social Protection**

Proposed date:	8–9 December 2014
Place:	Siem Reap, Cambodia
Financing:	FAO ³ (US\$25,000) UNICEF ⁴ (US\$25,000) Government of Japan (US\$10,000) ILO regular budget (US\$15,000)
Geographical coverage:	Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	50
(b) Employers:	8
(c) Workers:	8
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to increase understanding of social protection and the linkages with food security and the related ASEAN perspectives; (ii) to prepare a draft plan of action for implementing the ASEAN Declaration on Strengthening Social Protection; and (iii) to foster a coordination platform between ASEAN sectoral bodies and social partners across the respective member States.
Resource persons:	Experts from UN agencies, development banks and regional experts Representatives of academia and civil society.
Observers:	International Council of Social Welfare (ICSW) Cambodia Civil Society Partnership (CCSP)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Social Protection Floors Recommendation, 2012 (No. 202)
Working language:	English

³ Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.

⁴ United Nations Children's Fund.

I/7. Regional Seminar for the Effective Implementation of the ASEAN⁵ Declaration on Strengthening Social Protection

Proposed date:	17–18 November 2014
Place:	Bangkok, Thailand
Financing:	Government of Japan (US\$60,000) Government of Canada (US\$15,000)
Geographical coverage:	Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	20
(b) Employers:	10
(c) Workers:	10
Purpose of the Seminar:	(i) to present an overview of the social protection situation and latest developments in ASEAN countries; (ii) to learn from the ILO's instruments and strategy for the extension of social security to all; (iii) to validate a tentative plan of action for the implementation of the ASEAN Declaration on strengthening social security, fostering South–South cooperation for effective implementation; and (iv) to set priorities and recommendations for improving national coordination and to identify the roles of governments, social partners and UN agencies.
Resource persons:	Social security experts Representatives of ASEAN and UN agencies ⁶
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Social Security (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1952 (No. 102), Social Protection Floors Recommendation, 2012 (No. 202)
Working language:	English

⁵ Association of Southeast Asian Nations.

⁶ United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), World Health Organization (WHO), UN Women, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

Governance and tripartism***I/8. First Meeting of the Network of Focal Points for the Regional Initiative to Combat Child Labour***

Proposed date:	2–4 September 2014
Place:	Brasilia, Brazil
Financing:	Government of Brazil (US\$98,400)
Geographical coverage:	Argentina, Bahamas, Plurinational State of Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	24
(b) Employers:	4
(c) Workers:	4
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to advance the institutionalization of the regional initiative to combat child labour by consolidating the network of focal points and approve its mandate; and (ii) to make progress on reaching consensus on statutory documents, i.e. regulations, budget and workplan.
Resource persons:	One policy expert One expert in resource mobilization One operations specialist
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182), Minimum Age Recommendation, 1973 (No. 146), Worst Forms of Child Labour Recommendation, 1999 (No. 190)
Working languages:	English, Spanish and Portuguese

I/9. Subregional Workshop on Good Practices with Respect to Combatting Child Labour

Proposed date:	11–12 September 2014
Place:	Issykkul, Kyrgyzstan
Financing:	Government of Germany (US\$33,500)
Geographical coverage:	Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkey

Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	5
(b) Employers:	5
(c) Workers:	5
Purpose of the Workshop:	To strengthen knowledge and share experiences of good practices with respect to combatting child labour.
Resource persons:	One international consultant
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182)
Working languages:	English and Russian

I/10. Subregional Workshop on Reporting on Child Labour Conventions

Proposed date:	6–7 October 2014
Place:	Baku, Azerbaijan
Financing:	Government of Germany (US\$34,500)
Geographical coverage:	Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkey
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	5
(b) Employers:	5
(c) Workers:	5
Purpose of the Workshop:	To strengthen knowledge and capacity relating to reporting on child labour Conventions.
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 languages:	English and Russian

I/11. Forum of Maghreb Social Partners

Proposed date:	13–14 October 2014
Place:	Tunis, Tunisia
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$45,000)
Geographical coverage:	Algeria, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco, Tunisia
Composition of participants:	
(a) Employers:	20
(b) Workers:	20

Purpose of the Forum:	(i) to create a new regional platform to promote and exchange experiences of social dialogue in the region as well as examining the challenges and obstacles faced in the fight against unemployment; and (ii) to make concrete proposals, to be submitted to the Summit of the Arab Maghreb Union (Tunis, October 2014) for the improvement of the social and economic situation in the Maghreb countries, with a view to enhancing social justice through effective social dialogue.
Observers:	International Organisation of Employers (IOE) International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)
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), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144)
Working languages:	French and Arabic

I/12. ILO–UNODC ⁷ Consultation on the Regulation of Recruitment Agencies and Abusive Recruitment Practices in the Context of Human Trafficking

Proposed date:	18–19 November 2014
Place:	Bangkok, Thailand
Financing:	Government of United States (US\$50,000) UNODC (US\$50,000)
Geographical coverage:	Bangladesh, China, India, Indonesia, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Malaysia, Nepal, Philippines, Thailand
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	11
(b) Employers:	11
(c) Workers:	11
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to discuss national and bilateral challenges in regulating, monitoring and enforcing regulations for recruitment agencies; (ii) to review innovative approaches to the regulation of recruitment and their preventative role in combatting human trafficking practices;

⁷ United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime.

	(iii) to discuss recent evidence on the nexus between national regulation models and its impact on business practices in the recruitment industry; and
	(iv) to enhance understanding of the role of abusive recruitment practices in human trafficking.
Resource persons:	Eight experts in labour recruitment from academia, industry and civil society organizations Representatives of employers' organizations Representatives of workers' organizations Two representatives of governments recognized for good practice in regulating recruitment
Observers:	Governments of Switzerland, United Kingdom and United States International Organization for Migration (IOM) Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA) United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) World Bank Group Open Society Foundations Institute for Human Rights and Business (IHRB) Verité Humanitarian Organisation for Migration Economics Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) Global Alliance Against Trafficking in Women (GAATW)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), and Protocol of 2014 to the Forced Labour Convention, 1930, Private Employment Agencies Convention, 1997 (No. 181), Private Employment Agencies Recommendation, 1997 (No. 188)
Working language:	English

Conditions of work and equality***I/13. Regional Meeting on Dignity, Rights and Domestic Work***

Proposed date:	11–13 October 2014
Place:	Istanbul, Turkey
Financing:	European Union (US\$60,000) Government of Switzerland (US\$15,000)
Geographical coverage:	Bahrain, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Oman
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	5
(b) Employers:	5
(c) Workers:	5
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to generate critical thinking on strategies and methodologies to improve the rights of domestic workers in both sending and receiving countries; (ii) to exchange experiences, challenges and lessons learned relating to migration governance systems and policy reform regarding domestic workers and their specific needs; (iii) to present innovative research, awareness-raising tools and good practices that promote the dignity of domestic workers among different cultures; and (iv) to cross-fertilize knowledge on the collective organizing of domestic workers.
Resource persons:	Fifteen resource persons with technical expertise in legislation, employment and recruitment, labour inspection, media, civil society and organizing domestic workers
Observers:	European Union (EU) Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SADC)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Private Employment Agencies Convention, 1997 (No. 181), Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189)
Working languages:	English and Arabic

I/14. Knowledge-sharing Workshop on Trade and Skills

Proposed date:	15–16 October 2014
Place:	Cairo, Egypt
Financing:	Government of Sweden (US\$47,000)
	Project funds from “Aid for Trade Initiative for the Arab States” ⁸ (US\$26,300)
Geographical coverage:	Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Morocco, Oman, Saudi Arabia, Tunisia, Yemen
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	20
(b) Employers:	10
(c) Workers:	10
Purpose of the Workshop:	(i) to exchange views on country experiences of the ILO’s Skills for Trade and Economic Diversification (STED) approach in order to identify key bottlenecks in skills for trade expansion and economic diversification in certain export sectors; (ii) to discuss ways to tackle those bottlenecks as well as the role of different stakeholders in integrating skills development policies into trade and other development policies; and (iii) to promote knowledge-sharing in the project to further develop STED.
Resource persons:	One representative of an employers’ organization One representative of a workers’ organization Nine representatives of international organizations
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Human Resources Development Recommendation, 2004 (No. 195), conclusions on skills for improved productivity, employment growth and development, International Labour Conference (2008)
Working languages:	English and Arabic

⁸ The donors are: Islamic Development Bank Group, Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency, United Nations Development Programme, Governments of Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Egypt.

**I/15. Interregional Meeting: Towards more effective
BLAs⁹ and MoUs¹⁰ on labour migration
governance and migrant protection**

Proposed date:	1–2 December 2014
Place:	Kathmandu, Nepal
Financing:	World Bank Group (US\$35,000)
Geographical coverage:	Bahrain, Bangladesh, Brazil, Colombia, India, Italy, Kenya, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Morocco, Nepal, New Zealand, Philippines, Sri Lanka
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	14
(b) Employers:	2
(c) Workers:	2
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to review and validate major findings of the KNOMAD¹¹ research programme; (ii) to obtain feedback from key policy-makers, practitioners and experts from different regions; and (iii) to examine how existing agreements can be improved for better governance, protection and development impact.
Resource persons:	Seven experts from academia
Observers:	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) International Organization for Migration (IOM) Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) European Union (EU)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Contracts of Employment (Indigenous Workers) Convention, 1947 (No. 86), Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143), Migration for Employment Recommendation (Revised), 1949 (No. 86), ILO Multilateral Framework on Labour Migration
Working language:	English

⁹ Bilateral labour agreements.

¹⁰ Memoranda of Understanding.

¹¹ ILO–World Bank Global Knowledge Partnership on Migration and Development.

Employers' activities

I/16. SADC¹² Private Sector Forum (SPSF) Policy Advocacy Workshop on Strengthening the Capacity of Employers' Organizations to Contribute to Maternity Protection

Proposed date:	17–19 September 2014
Place:	Johannesburg, South Africa
Financing:	Government of Norway (US\$50,000)
Geographical coverage:	Angola, Botswana, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ghana, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Nigeria, Seychelles, South Africa, Swaziland, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe
Composition of participants:	
Employers:	30
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to provide evidence-based advocacy and training for the development of maternity protection mechanisms related to small and medium-sized enterprises; and (ii) to provide policy advocacy on maternity protection and enhancing capacity for development mechanisms for acceptable levels of maternity protection.
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Social Security (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1952 (No. 102), Maternity Protection Convention, 2000 (No. 183), Maternity Protection Recommendation, 2000 (No. 191), Social Protection Floors Recommendation, 2012 (No. 202)
Working language:	English

I/17. Regional Meeting on the Effects of the Implementation of Convention No. 169 on Private and Public Investments

Proposed date:	13 October 2014
Place:	Lima, Peru
Financing:	Government of Spain (US\$11,200)
Geographical coverage:	Argentina, Plurinational State of Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

¹² Southern African Development Community.

Composition of participants:

Employers:	60
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to present case studies on the effects of implementing Convention No. 169 in selected countries so as to compare experiences, clarify the existing regulatory framework and to make recommendations for a more effective, efficient and predictable process; and (ii) to analyse the likelihood of potential schemes of public–private cooperation between the ILO and employers’ organizations and/or companies, in order to provide technical assistance in the relevant areas and to give greater fluidity to the processes.
Resource persons:	Two researchers on the implementation of Convention No. 169 One expert, to present an independent study Three representatives of sectoral business associations Two representatives of relevant governmental institutions
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention, 1989 (No. 169)
Working language:	Spanish

I/18. *Regional Workshop on the Mobilization of Resources for Employers’ Organizations*

Proposed date:	9–11 December 2014
Place:	Dakar, Senegal
Financing:	RBTC: (US\$20,000) FOPAO ¹³ (US\$15,000)
Geographical coverage:	Benin, Burkina Faso, Cabo Verde, Côte d’Ivoire, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Togo
Composition of participants:	
Employers:	16
Purpose of the Workshop:	To reinforce the competences of members of the FOPAO with regard to the mobilization of resources, so that they will be better able to meet the needs of their members.
Resource persons:	Two experts from West Africa

¹³ Federation of West African Employer Organizations.

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	International Labour Conference resolution concerning tripartism and social dialogue (2002), Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144)
Working languages:	English and French

Workers' activities

I/19. Trade Union Preparatory Meeting for the 18th American Regional Meeting

Proposed date:	2–4 September 2014
Place:	Montevideo, Uruguay
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$35,000)
Geographical coverage:	Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	24
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to follow-up the conclusions of the 17th American Regional Meeting (Santiago, December 2010); (ii) to take stock of progress and challenges at the regional level in the Decent Work Agenda; and (iii) to provide information about the agenda of the 18th American Regional Meeting (Lima, 13–16 October 2014) and to discuss the trade union proposals on the various topics which will be addressed at the Meeting.
Resource persons:	Three experts from the Trade Union Confederation of the Americas (CSA)

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Social Security (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1952 (No. 102), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143), 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), Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention, 1989 (No. 169), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182), Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189), Welfare Facilities Recommendation, 1956 (No. 102), Employment Policy Recommendation, 1964 (No. 122), Employment Relationship Recommendation, 2006 (No. 198)

Working language:

Spanish

I/20. Regional Trade Union Workshop on the Evaluation and Follow-up of Convention No. 169, Decent Work and the Linkages with other International Labour Standards

Proposed date:

4–5 September 2014

Place:

Lima, Peru

Financing:

AECID¹⁴ (US\$17,000)

European Union (US\$15,000)

ILO regular budget (US\$10,000)

Geographical coverage:

Argentina, Plurinational State of Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

Composition of participants:

Workers:

35

Purpose of the Workshop:

- (i) to strengthen alliances between indigenous and trade union representatives and to put forward a guide for strengthening links between their organizations;
- (ii) to promote the application of Convention No. 169 and other key ILO Conventions; and

¹⁴ Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation.

- (iii) to follow up the outcomes of the International Labour Conference discussions on the transition from the informal to the formal economy and the recurrent discussion on employment, as well as action taken on the eight areas of critical importance, in particular those on youth employment and forced labour.

Observers:	International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) Consultative Council of the Andean Community Indigenous Peoples
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), and Protocol of 2014 to the Forced Labour Convention, 1930, Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Labour Inspection (Agriculture) Convention, 1969 (No. 129), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention, 1989 (No. 169), Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189), Forced Labour (Supplementary Measures) Recommendation, 2014 (No. 203)
Working language:	Spanish

I/21. Symposium on the Role of Trade Unions in the Promotion of Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) in the Asia and the Pacific Region, with an Accent on the Mining Sector

Proposed date:	1–3 October 2014
Place:	Jakarta, Indonesia
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$50,000)
Geographical coverage:	Australia, Cambodia, China, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, New Zealand, Pakistan, Philippines, Thailand, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	28
Purpose of the Symposium:	(i) to review aspects of trade union work related to OSH in mines; (ii) to familiarize unions with relevant ILO OSH instruments and to encourage their use to influence OSH policy-making; and

- (iii) to examine the role that trade unions play in general in identifying the OSH regulatory framework and how this can be promoted through collective bargaining.

Observers:	International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) Global Union Federation (GUF)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981 (No. 155), and Protocol of 2002 to the Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981, Safety and Health in Mines Convention, 1995 (No. 176), Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 2006 (No. 187)
Working language:	English

I/22. Sustainable Development with Decent Work for Social Justice: A development platform for the Americas

Proposed date:	13 October 2014
Place:	Lima, Peru
Financing:	RBTC (US\$17,000) ILO regular budget (US\$7,000)
Geographical coverage:	Argentina, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Paraguay, Peru
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	14
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to show the main structural imbalances in development in Latin America and the Caribbean; (ii) to identify the main decent work deficits at the regional level; and (iii) to present and discuss the strategic axes of the Development Platform for the Americas (PLADA).
Resource persons:	Trade union specialists National social dialogue experts

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Social Security (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1952 (No. 102), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143), 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), Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention, 1989 (No. 169), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182), Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189), Welfare Facilities Recommendation, 1956 (No. 102), Employment Policy Recommendation, 1964 (No. 122)

Working language:

Spanish

I/23. Capacity-building Workshop on Trade Union Rights and Labour Standards for Productivity Improvement in Africa

Proposed date: 17–21 November 2014

Place: Kigali, Rwanda

Financing: JTUC–RENGO ¹⁵ (US\$40,000)

ILO regular budget (US\$26,000)

Geographical coverage: Burundi, Cameroon, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Kenya, Rwanda, South Africa, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia

Composition of participants:

Workers: 15

Purpose of the Workshop: To validate the draft trade union guide, *Trade Union Rights, Labour Standards and Productivity Improvement*.

Resource persons: Three experts from JTUC–RENGO, ITUC–Africa and Organization of African Trade Union Unity (OATUU)

¹⁵ Japanese Trade Union Confederation.

Observers:	One representative of a Rwandan employers' organization Government of Rwanda East African Trade Union Confederation (EATUC) Southern African Trade Union Co-ordination Council (SATUCC)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	ILO core Conventions ¹⁶
Working languages:	English and French

I/24. Training Course for Trade Union Lawyers: The use of international labour standards before national courts, with special focus on freedom of association

Proposed date:	16–18 December 2014
Place:	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Financing:	RBTC (US\$70,000)
Geographical coverage:	Australia, Cambodia, Fiji, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Thailand
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	20
Purpose of the meeting:	To equip participants with the knowledge and skills that will enable them to use international labour law sources in their submissions regarding domestic labour disputes.
Resource persons:	Two regional labour lawyers
Observers:	Malaysian Trades Union Congress (MTUC)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), and Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98)
Working language:	English

Geneva, 31 October 2014

¹⁶ 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).

Timetable of approved symposia, seminars, workshops and similar meetings

<i>Date</i>	<i>Title of meeting</i>	<i>Place</i>
AFRICA		
2014		
17–19 September	SADC ¹ Private Sector Forum (SPSF) Policy Advocacy Workshop on Strengthening the Capacity of Employers' Organizations to Contribute to Maternity Protection	Johannesburg, South Africa
13–14 October	Forum of Maghreb Social Partners	Tunis, Tunisia
17–21 November	Capacity-building Workshop on Trade Union Rights and Labour Standards for Productivity Improvement in Africa	Kigali, Rwanda
9–11 December	Regional Workshop on the Mobilization of Resources for Employers' Organizations	Dakar, Senegal
ASIA AND THE PACIFIC		
2014		
15–16 September	Regional Meeting: What works in youth employment – Sharing policies from Asia and the Pacific	Bangkok, Thailand
1–3 October	Symposium on the Role of Trade Unions in the Promotion of Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) in the Asia and the Pacific Region, with an Accent on the Mining Sector	Jakarta, Indonesia
11–13 October	Regional Meeting on Dignity, Rights and Domestic Work	Istanbul, Turkey
17–18 November	Regional Seminar for the Effective Implementation of the ASEAN ² Declaration on Strengthening Social Protection	Bangkok, Thailand
18–19 November	ILO–UNODC ³ Consultation on the Regulation of Recruitment Agencies and Abusive Recruitment Practices in the Context of Human Trafficking	Bangkok, Thailand
8–9 December	Subregional Meeting on the Implementation of the ASEAN Declaration on Strengthening Social Protection	Siem Reap, Cambodia
16–18 December	Training Course for Trade Union Lawyers: The use of international labour standards before national courts, with special focus on freedom of association	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN		
2014		
2–4 September	First Meeting of the Network of Focal Points for the Regional Initiative to Combat Child Labour	Brasilia, Brazil
2–4 September	Trade Union Preparatory Meeting for the 18th American Regional Meeting	Montevideo, Uruguay
4–5 September	Regional Trade Union Workshop on the Evaluation and Follow-up of Convention No. 169, Decent Work and the Linkages with other International Labour Standards	Lima, Peru
13 October	Regional Meeting of Caribbean countries and Peru for consultations on Decent Work, Climate Change and Sustainable Development	Lima, Peru

¹ Southern African Development Community.

² Association of Southeast Asian Nations.

³ United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime.

<i>Date</i>	<i>Title of meeting</i>	<i>Place</i>
13 October	Regional Meeting on the Effects of the Implementation of Convention No. 169 on Private and Public Investments	Lima, Peru
13 October	Sustainable Development with Decent Work for Social Justice: A development platform for the Americas	Lima, Peru
18–19 November	Subregional Workshop: Completion of the Project for Strengthening of Integrated Systems of Training, Guidance and Employment (FOIL)	La Antigua, Guatemala

EUROPE

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11–12 September	Subregional Workshop on Good Practices with Respect to Combatting Child Labour	Issykkul, Kyrgyzstan
6–7 October	Subregional Workshop on Reporting on Child Labour Conventions	Baku, Azerbaijan
13–17 October	Subregional Meeting of Members of the Youth Employment Network	St Petersburg, Russian Federation

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25–26 September	Interregional Workshop: What works for youth – The role of employment services	Geneva, Switzerland
15–16 October	Knowledge-sharing Workshop on Trade and Skills	Cairo, Egypt
1–2 December	Interregional Meeting: Towards more effective BLAs ⁴ and MoUs ⁵ on labour migration governance and migrant protection	Kathmandu, Nepal

⁴ Bilateral labour agreements.

⁵ Memoranda of Understanding.