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Programme, composition and agenda of standing bodies and meetings

Part I. Composition and agenda of standing bodies and meetings

Meeting of Experts on Defining Recruitment Fees and Related Costs (Geneva, 14–16 November 2018)

Agenda and dates

1. The agenda has already been determined.¹ The proposed dates are 14–16 November 2018.

Composition

2. The Governing Body decided at its 331st Session (October–November 2017) that the Meeting of Experts be attended by eight experts nominated after consultation with Governments, eight Employer experts nominated after consultation with the Employers' group and eight Worker experts nominated after consultation with the Workers' group of the Governing Body.
3. After having consulted the Regional Coordinators, the Director-General intends, in order to obtain the Government nominations, to approach the Governments of the following countries: Sri Lanka, Jordan, Morocco, Ethiopia, United Kingdom, Portugal, Canada, and Mexico. In the event that one of those countries is unable to attend, a replacement will be selected from the reserve list comprising: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Germany, Ghana, Italy, Kenya, Republic of Moldova, New Zealand, Nigeria, Philippines, Qatar, Thailand, Uganda,

¹ [GB.331/INS/4/1\(Rev.\)](#), appendix.

Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, and United States. As is the practice for meetings of experts, it is proposed that a knowledgeable independent chairperson be appointed.

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- 4. The Governing Body, on the recommendation of its Officers, approves the holding of the Meeting on the dates proposed, as well as the proposed composition.***

Invitations of intergovernmental organizations and international non-governmental organizations to official meetings

107th Session of the International Labour Conference (Geneva, 28 May–8 June 2018)

Invitation of international non-governmental organizations

- 5.** Under the Constitution of the Organisation and the Standing Orders of the Conference, international non-governmental organizations other than those with which consultative relationships have been established may be invited by the Governing Body to be represented at the Conference in so far as attendance at the plenary sittings is concerned, while the invitation of such organizations to be represented on committees appointed by the Conference remains a matter for the Conference itself.
- 6.** At its 256th Session (May 1993), the Governing Body delegated to its Officers the authority to invite international non-governmental organizations wishing to be represented at sessions of the General Conference, it being understood that requests for invitations presenting a particular problem would continue to be submitted to the Governing Body through its Officers.
- 7.** The Director-General has received requests to be represented at the 107th Session (2018) of the International Labour Conference from the organizations listed in the appendix, which have expressed interest in certain items on the agenda, including three new organizations, namely: Asociación Latinoamericana de Abogados Laboralistas, Care International and International Domestic Workers Federation. All other organizations have already been invited to one or more sessions of the Conference after their requests to be invited had been approved by the Officers of the Governing Body. In making their requests, these organizations supplied proof of their interest in following the proceedings of the International Labour Conference.

Draft decision

- 8. The Governing Body, on the recommendation of its Officers, authorizes the Director-General:***
- (i) to invite the organizations listed in the appendix to be represented at the Conference, it being understood that it will be for the Selection Committee of the Conference to consider their requests to participate in the work of the***

committees dealing with the agenda items in which they have stated a special interest; and

- (ii) to inform the organizations concerned that they may nominate one person only for each of the agenda items in respect of which their interest has been recognized.*

Invitation of observers to other official meetings

9. Invitation of observers to official meetings other than the International Labour Conference are determined according to the following criteria:
- (i) intergovernmental organizations that the Director-General intends to invite on the basis of a standing arrangement with the ILO. These organizations are presented for information only;
 - (ii) intergovernmental organizations that the Director-General intends to invite, as authorized by the Officers of the Governing Body;
 - (iii) international non-governmental organizations that the Director-General intends to invite, subject to authorization by the Governing Body.

Draft decision

10. *The Governing Body endorses the proposals made in the appended table (appendix) relating to the invitation of international non-governmental organizations as observers to the meetings listed therein.*

Part II. Programme of meetings for 2018 and 2019

<i>Date</i>	<i>Title of meeting</i>	<i>Place</i>
2018		
16–20 April	Meeting of Experts to adopt Guidelines on Decent Work in Public Emergency Services	Geneva
23–27 April	Third Meeting of the Special Tripartite Committee of the MLC, 2006	Geneva
24–25 May	Committee on Freedom of Association	Geneva
28 May–8 June	107th Session of the International Labour Conference	Geneva
9 June	333rd Session of the Governing Body	Geneva
20–21 June	Joint Maritime Commission (JMC) Subcommittee on Wages of Seafarers	Geneva
17–21 September	Fourth meeting of the Standards Review Mechanism Tripartite Working Group	Geneva
18–20 September ²	Global Dialogue Forum on Employment Terms and Conditions in Tertiary Education	Geneva
1–5 October ³	13th Session of the Joint ILO/UNESCO Committee of Experts on the Application of the Recommendations concerning Teaching Personnel (CEART)	Geneva
2–5 October	19th American Regional Meeting	Panama City, Panama
10–19 October	20th International Conference of Labour Statisticians	Geneva
25 October–8 November	334th Session of the Governing Body	Geneva
14–16 November	Meeting of Experts on Defining Recruitment Fees and Related Costs	Geneva
21 November–8 December	Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations	Geneva
Last quarter	Meeting on Cross-border Social Dialogue	Geneva
10–12 December ⁴	Global Dialogue Forum on Challenges for Decent and Productive Work Arising from Digitalization in the Chemical and Pharmaceutical Industries	Geneva
2019		
25 February–1 March ³	Sectoral Meeting on the Recruitment and Retention of Seafarers and the Promotion of Opportunities for Women Seafarers	Geneva
14–28 March	335th Session of the Governing Body	Geneva
6–7 June	Committee on Freedom of Association	Geneva
10–21 June	108th Session of the International Labour Conference	Geneva
22 June	336th Session of the Governing Body	Geneva
24 October–7 November	337th Session of the Governing Body	Geneva
20 November–7 December	Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations	Geneva

² Subject to the decision to be adopted by the Governing Body regarding the programme of sectoral meetings ([GB.332/POL/2](#)).

³ Further to the decision adopted by the Governing Body at its 329th Session ([GB.329/POL/4](#)).

⁴ Further to the decision adopted by the Officers of the Governing Body in March 2018.

Draft decision

11. *The Governing Body takes note of the programme of meetings, as approved by the Officers of the Governing Body, subject to decisions yet to be adopted, as described in the footnotes.*

Appendix

Proposed invitations of observers to the ILC

Title of the meeting	Intergovernmental organizations (by standing arrangement)	Intergovernmental organizations (authorized by the Officers of the GB)	International non-governmental organizations (authorized by the Officers of the GB)
107th Session of the International Labour Conference (Geneva, 28 May–8 June 2018)	United Nations ■ Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS); ■ Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for International Migration; ■ Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR); ■ United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF); ■ United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD); ■ Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA); ■ United Nations Development Programme (UNDP); ■ United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO); ■ United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP); ■ United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR); ■ United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-HABITAT); ■ United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR); ■ United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR); ■ United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA); ■ United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC); ■ United Nations Population Fund (UNPFA);	■ Asia–Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC); ■ African Regional Labour Administration Centre (ARLAC); ■ Arab Centre for Labour Administration and Employment (ACLAE); ■ Central African Economic and Monetary Community (CAEMC); ■ Centre régional africain d'administration du travail (CRADAT); ■ Commonwealth; ■ European Public Law Organization (EPLO); ■ Inter-American Development Bank (IDB); ■ International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC); ■ Latin American Economic System (SELA); ■ North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA); ■ Nordic Council (NC); ■ Nordic Council of Ministers (NMR); ■ Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC); ■ Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE); ■ Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC); ■ West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU); ■ World Trade Organization (WTO).	■ International Social Security Association (ISSA) (by standing arrangement). Employers' organizations ■ World Employment Confederation; ■ International Christian Union of Business Executives. Workers' organizations ■ UNI Global Union; ■ IndustriALL Global Union; ■ General Confederation of Trade Unions; ■ European Trade Union Confederation; ■ Confederación de Trabajadores y Trabajadoras de las Universidades de las Américas; ■ World Federation of Teachers' Unions; ■ International Union of Food, Agricultural, Hotel, Restaurant, Catering, Tobacco and Allied Workers' Associations; ■ Unión Internacional de Sindicatos de Pensionistas y Jubilados; ■ African Organization of Mines, Metal, Energy, Chemical and Allied Trade Unions; ■ Public Services International; ■ Building and Wood Workers' International; ■ International Energy and Mines Organization; ■ Trade Union Advisory Committee to the OECD;

Title of the meeting	Intergovernmental organizations (by standing arrangement)	Intergovernmental organizations (authorized by the Officers of the GB)	International non-governmental organizations (authorized by the Officers of the GB)
	■ United Nations Regional Commissions; ■ United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA); ■ United Nations Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants; ■ United Nations University (UNU); ■ UN Women; ■ World Food Programme (WFP). Specialized agencies ■ Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO); ■ International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA); ■ International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO); ■ International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD); ■ International Maritime Organization (IMO); ■ International Telecommunications Union (ITU); ■ United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO); ■ World Health Organization (WHO); ■ World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO); ■ World Tourism Organization (UNWTO). Regional organizations ■ African Development Bank (AfDB); ■ African Union (AU); ■ Andean Community (CAN); ■ Arab Labour Organization (ALO); ■ Asian Development Bank; ■ Asian Productivity Organization; ■ Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN);		■ Confederación Latinoamericana y del Caribe de Trabajadores Estatales; ■ Education International; ■ Southern African Trade Union Co-ordination Council; ■ Trade Union Confederation of Arab Maghreb Workers; ■ International Transport Workers' Federation; ■ European Confederation of Independent Trade Unions; ■ Trade Unions International of Workers in the Building, Wood, Building Materials and Allied Industries; ■ European Centre for Workers' Questions; ■ Union Latinoamericana de Trabajadores de Organismos de Control; ■ Latin American Union of Municipal Workers; ■ World Organization of Workers; ■ International Confederation of Executive Staff; ■ Trade Unions International of Transport Workers; ■ International Young Christian Workers; ■ Trade Union International of Metal and Mining; ■ Trade Unions International of Workers in Agriculture, Food, Commerce, Textiles and Allied Industries; ■ International Confederation of Arab Trade Unions; ■ International Domestic Workers Federation. Other organizations ■ World Medical Association;

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	■ Caribbean Community (CARICOM); ■ Caribbean Development Bank (CDB); ■ Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA); ■ Southern Common Market (MERCOSUR); ■ Council of Europe; ■ East African Community (EAC); ■ Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS); ■ Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS); ■ Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU); ■ European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD); ■ European Union (EU); ■ Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC); ■ Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD); ■ Latin American Integration Association (ALADI); ■ League of Arab States; ■ South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC); ■ Southern African Development Community (SADC); ■ Organization of American States (OAS). Other organizations ■ Community of Portuguese Language Speaking Countries (CPLP); ■ G7+; ■ International Association of Economic and Social Councils and Similar Institutions (IAESCSI); ■ International Monetary Fund (IMF);		■ Clean Clothes Campaign; ■ Union Africaine de la Mutualité; ■ Association of Volunteers for International Service; ■ StreetNet International; ■ International Catholic Migration Commission; ■ International Kolping Society; ■ World Movement of Christian Workers; ■ Global Alliance Against Traffic in Women; ■ International Federation of Business and Professional Women; ■ Zonta International; ■ Migrant Forum in Asia; ■ Plan International; ■ International Association of Labour inspection; ■ Anti-Slavery International; ■ African Commission of Health and Human Rights Promoters; ■ International Federation of Journalists; ■ International Council of Nurses; ■ International Federation Terre des Hommes; ■ Make Mothers Matter; ■ SOLIDAR; ■ Caritas Internationalis; ■ International Secretariat for Catholic Engineers, Agronomists and Industry Officials; ■ Women in Informal Employment: Globalizing and Organizing; ■ Organización de Entidades Mutuales de las Américas;

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	■ International Organization for Migration (IOM); ■ Inter-parliamentary Union (IPU); ■ Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD); ■ International Organization of la Francophonie (OIF); ■ World Bank Group.		■ International Association of Free Thought; ■ World Assembly of Youth; ■ Union of International Associations; ■ International Coordination of Young Christian Workers; ■ International Centre for Trade Union Rights; ■ International Movement of Catholic Agricultural and Rural Youth; ■ World Alliance of Young Men's Christian Associations; ■ World Union of Professions; ■ International Council on Social Welfare; ■ Fairtrade International; ■ Soroptimist International; ■ Exchange and Cooperation Centre for Latin America; ■ International Commission on Occupational Health; ■ International Federation of Women in Legal Careers; ■ Human Rights Watch; ■ International Association for Educational and Vocational Guidance; ■ International Association of Mutual Benefit Societies; ■ Asociación Latinoamericana de Abogados Laboralistas (ALAL); ■ Care International;

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Global Dialogue Forum on Employment Terms and Conditions in Tertiary Education (Geneva, 18–20 September 2018)	■ Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD); ■ United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).		■ Education International (EI); ■ International Association of Universities; ■ Association of Commonwealth Universities.
13th Session of the Joint ILO/UNESCO Committee of Experts on the Application of the Recommendations concerning Teaching Personnel (CEART) (Geneva, 1–5 October 2018)	■ Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD); ■ United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF); ■ United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO); ■ Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR).		■ Education International (EI); ■ International Task Force on Teachers for Education for All; ■ Voluntary Service Overseas.
19th American Regional Meeting (Panama City, 2–5 October 2018)	United Nations ■ United Nations Organization; ■ Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS); ■ Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR); ■ United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF); ■ United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD); ■ United Nations Development Programme (UNDP); ■ United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO); ■ United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP); ■ United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR);	■ Ibero-American General Secretariat/Secretaría General Iberoamericana (SEGIB); ■ Simón Rodríguez Agreement (CSR).	■ International Social Security Association (ISSA); ■ Building and Wood Workers' International (BWI); ■ Caribbean Congress of Labour (CCL); ■ Congreso Permanente de la Unidad Sindical de los Trabajadores de América Latina (WFTU/FSM Americas); ■ Education International (EI); ■ IndustriALL Global Union; ■ International Federation of Journalists (IFJ); ■ International Transport Workers' Federation (ITF); ■ International Union of Food, Agricultural, Hotel, Restaurant, Catering, Tobacco and Allied Workers' Associations (IUF); ■ Public Services International (PSI);

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	■ United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO); ■ United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR); ■ United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS); ■ United Nations Population Fund (UNPFA); ■ UN Women; ■ World Food Programme (WFP). Specialized agencies ■ International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD); ■ International Maritime Organization (IMO). Regional organizations ■ Andean Community (CAN); ■ Andean Development Corporation (CAF); ■ Andean Presidential Council, Lima (CPA); ■ Association of Caribbean States (ACS); ■ Caribbean Community (CARICOM); ■ Central American Bank for Economic Integration (CABEI); ■ Central American Integration System (SICA); ■ Southern Common Market (MERCOSUR); ■ Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC); ■ Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC); ■ Inter-American Center for Social Security Studies (CIESS); ■ Inter-American Court of Human Rights; ■ Inter-American Development Bank (IDB); ■ Inter-American Institute of Human Rights (IHR);		■ Trade Union Council of Central America and the Caribbean (CSU); ■ UNI Americas.

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20th International Conference of Labour Statisticians (Geneva, 10–19 October 2018)	■ Latin American Economic System (SELA); ■ Latin American Integration Association (LAIA); ■ Latin American Parliament (PARLATINO); ■ Organization of American States (OAS); ■ Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS); ■ Pan American Health Organization (PAHO). Other organizations ■ International Monetary Fund (IMF); ■ International Organization for Migration (IOM); ■ World Bank Group.	■ Andean Community (CAN); ■ Arab Institute for Training and Research in Statistics (AITRS); ■ Association of Southeast Asian Nations, Statistics Division (ASEANstats); ■ Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA); ■ European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (Eurofound); ■ Interstate Statistical Committee of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS-STAT); ■ Economic and Statistical Observatory for Sub-Saharan Africa (AFRISTAT); ■ Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC); ■ Statistical Centre for the Cooperation Council for the Arab Countries of the Gulf (GCC-Stat);	■ Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation; ■ Data2X; ■ Paris21; ■ International Organisation of Industrial and Service Cooperatives (CICOPA); ■ United Nations Foundation; ■ Women in Informal Employment Globalizing and Organizing (WIEGO).
	United Nations ■ Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR); ■ United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD); ■ United Nations Development Programme (UNDP); ■ United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE); ■ United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA); ■ United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP); ■ United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (UNECLAC); ■ United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA); ■ United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC); ■ United Nations Population Division (UNPD); ■ United Nations Statistical Division (UNSD);		

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	■ United Nations Volunteers (UNV); ■ UN Women; ■ World Food Programme (WFP). Specialized agencies ■ Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO); ■ International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD); ■ World Tourism Organization (UNWTO). Regional organizations ■ African Development Bank (AfDB); ■ African Union (AU); ■ Arab Labour Organization (ALO); ■ Asian Development Bank (ADB); ■ Caribbean Community (CARICOM); ■ Southern Common Market (MERCOSUR); ■ East African Community (EAC); ■ Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS); ■ European Union (EU); ■ Inter-American Development Bank (IADB); ■ Southern African Development Community (SADC). Other ■ International Monetary Fund (IMF); ■ International Organization for Migration (IOM); ■ Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD); ■ World Bank Group.	■ Statistical, Economic and Social Research and Training Centre for Islamic Countries (SESRIC); ■ West African Economic and Monetary Union (UEMOA); ■ World Trade Organization (WTO).	

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Meeting of Experts on Defining Recruitment Fees and Related Costs (Geneva, 14–16 November 2018)	■ African Union (AU); ■ International Organization for Migration (IOM); ■ Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR); ■ United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC); ■ World Bank Group.	■ European Union (EU).	■ Alliance of Asian Associations of Overseas Employment Service Providers (OESPAAA); ■ Institute for Human Rights and Business (IHRB); ■ New York University, Stern Center for Business and Human Rights; ■ Migrant Forum in Asia; ■ Verité.
Global Dialogue Forum on Challenges for Decent and Productive Work Arising from Digitalization in the Chemical and Pharmaceutical Industries (Geneva, 10–12 December 2018)	■ International Monetary Fund (IMF); ■ Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD); ■ United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD); ■ United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP); ■ Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO); ■ World Bank Group; ■ World Health Organization (WHO).	■ European Union (EU); ■ International Finance Corporation (IFC).	■ European Chemical Employers Group (ECEG); ■ European Chemical Industry Council (CEFIC); ■ European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations (EFPIA); ■ International Chemical Employers Labour Relations Committee (LRC); ■ IndustriALL European Trade Union; ■ IndustriALL Global Union; ■ International Council of Chemical Associations (ICCA); ■ International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers and Associations (IFPMA); ■ International Pharmaceutical Federation (FIP); ■ Pharmaceutical Group of the European Union (PGEU); ■ World Economic Forum.

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Sectoral Meeting on the Recruitment and Retention of Seafarers and the Promotion of Opportunities for Women Seafarers (Geneva, 25 February–1 March 2019)	■ International Maritime Organization (IMO); ■ Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC); ■ African Union (AU).	■ Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN); ■ European Union (EU).	■ International Association of Classification Societies (IACS); ■ International Chamber of Shipping (ICS); ■ International Christian Maritime Association (IMHA); ■ International Maritime Health Association (IMHA); ■ International Seafarers' Welfare and Assistance Network (ISWAN); ■ International Transport Workers' Federation (ITF); ■ World Maritime University (WMU).