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Future of work

1. *High-level tripartite forum on decent work and climate change in the Pacific*

Proposed date:	24–26 July 2019
Place:	Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$220,000) RBTC (US\$30,000)
Geographical coverage:	Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, as well as one representative each from the Pacific Islands Private Sector Organisation (PIPSO) and the South Pacific and Oceanic Council of Trade Unions (SPOCTU)
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	22
(b) Employers:	11
(c) Workers:	11
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to obtain the participants' views on decent work and climate change in the Pacific context; (ii) to familiarize the participants with the trends, future of work report and follow-up with developing labour and employment policies in countries; and (iii) to develop and finalize the Decent Work Country Programmes (DWCPs) of the participating countries with clear links to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
Resource persons:	Australian National University Monash University
Observers:	One from the European Union Delegation Eight Australia and New Zealand Tripartite delegations and one each from the Australian and New Zealand embassies Five from other development partners in Papua New Guinea Two from the Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environmental Programme (SPREP) Secretariat of Pacific Community (SPC) United Nations Resident Coordinator in Papua New Guinea

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Ten from United Nations Country Team in Papua New Guinea

Employment policy: Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Employment Policy Recommendation, 1964 (No. 122), Employment Policy (Supplementary Provisions) Recommendation, 1984 (No. 169)

Just Transition: Social Security (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1952 (No. 102), Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Labour Administration Convention, 1978 (No. 150), Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981 (No. 155), Occupational Health Services Convention, 1985 (No. 161)

Social dialogue: Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), Tripartite Consultation (Activities of the International Labour Organisation) Recommendation, 1976 (No. 152)

Skills: Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Paid Educational Leave Recommendation, 1974 (No. 148)

Migrant workers: Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Migration for Employment Recommendation (Revised), 1949 (No. 86), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143), Migrant Workers Recommendation, 1975 (No. 151)

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Priority Conventions: Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981 (No. 155), Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, Seafarers' Identity Documents Convention (Revised), 2003 (No. 185), Work in Fishing Convention, 2007 (No. 188)

Working language:

English

2. Ninth regional seminar on industrial relations in the ASEAN region on “Promoting sound industrial relations through social dialogue on skills development in the context of future of work”

Proposed date:	18–19 September 2019
Place:	Chiba, Japan
Financing:	Government of Japan (US\$100,424)
Geographical coverage:	Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Japan, Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	11
(b) Employers:	11
(c) Workers:	11
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to improve employability of workers and business competitiveness; and (ii) to promote sound industrial relations through social dialogue on skills development in the context of future of work.
Resource persons:	Japanese resource persons
Observers:	Government of Japan (several departments) ASEAN Secretariat
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 language:	English

Employment policy

3. Global youth employment forum 2019 – Today and tomorrow with decent jobs for youth

Proposed date:	1–2 August 2019
Place:	Abuja, Nigeria
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$205,000) RBTC (US\$195,000)
Geographical coverage:	About 110 young people from all over the world identified as follows: 25 nominated by ACTRAV, 25 nominated by ACT/EMP, 50 identified through a competitive process, ten young leaders including UN

	Youth Envoy, AU Youth Envoy and SDG Young Leaders. 60 non-young participants from: governments (20); employers (ten); workers (ten), and other entities such as UN agencies, foundations, academia, media, parliamentarians and civil society (20), About 50 participants identified by the host country, with a focus on local youth.
Composition of participants:	Global
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to celebrate the Centenary of the International Labour Organization through the global youth employment forum and bring together the views and experiences of young people on the current employment situation as well as their expectations and aspirations about the future of work; (ii) to carry out an in-depth discussion on practical examples of successful initiatives to promote decent work for youth, drawing linkages to advance the Sustainable Development Goals and inclusive growth; and (iii) to facilitate collaboration among youth, youth organizations, governments, employers and workers' organizations, private sector and international organizations, towards enhancing youth labour market prospects.
Resource persons:	Representatives of youth-led organizations International and regional experts and project managers in the youth employment area
Observers:	International Organisation of Employers (IOE) International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	International labour standards play an essential role in protecting the rights of young workers and in the promotion of decent jobs for youth, which is the specific object of the forum. The resolution on youth employment adopted by the International Labour Conference in 2012 includes an appendix on standards relevant to work and young persons which will guide the deliberations of the forum.
Working languages:	English, French, Spanish

4. Subregional tripartite consultations for the formulation of skills partnerships for migration – Western Africa and the Sahel

Proposed date:	11–13 September 2019
Place:	Abuja, Nigeria
Financing:	Government of Norway (US\$150,000)

Geographical coverage:	Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Mali, Mauritania, Nigeria, Senegal, Togo
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	32
(b) Employers:	16
(c) Workers:	16
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to support the ILO constituents in formulating skills partnerships on migration by sharing knowledge and good practices on policy coherence between migration and skills policies; (ii) To identify, formulate and implement planning of tailored interventions across three broad areas: (a) skills identification and anticipation partnerships; (b) skills development partnerships; and (c) skills recognition partnerships; and (iii) to assess a country's potential to benefit from skills partnerships for fairer migration and build capacity on the topic of skills and migration.
Resource persons:	One international consultant on skills and migration having conducted the subregional mapping study Two labour migration experts from the IOM Two skills development experts from UNESCO Two representatives of the regional economic community ECOWAS Two representatives of the regional organization G5 of the Sahel region One representative of the International Organisation of Employers (IOE) One representative of the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) Development partners as follows: The European Commission The French Development Agency (AFD) The Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) The Government of the Netherlands The Government of Norway The Luxembourg Agency for Development Cooperation (LuxDev) The Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA) The Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Human Resources Development Recommendation, 2004 (No. 195), Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97),

Migration for Employment Recommendation (Revised), 1949 (No. 86), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143), Migrant Workers Recommendation, 1975 (No. 151)

Working languages: English, French

5. *Subregional tripartite consultations for the formulation of skills partnerships for migration – Central Africa*

Proposed date: 16–18 September 2019

Place: Yaoundé, Cameroon

Financing: Government of Norway (US\$90,000)

Geographical coverage: Cameroon, Central African Republic, Congo, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon

Composition of participants:

(a) Governments: 24

(b) Employers: 12

(c) Workers: 12

Purpose of the meeting:

- (i) to support ILO constituents to formulate skills partnerships on migration, by sharing knowledge and good practices on policy coherence between migration and skills policies;
- (ii) to identify, formulate and implement planning of tailored interventions across three broad areas:
 - (a) skills identification and anticipation partnerships;
 - (b) skills development partnerships; and
 - (c) skills recognition partnerships; and
- (iii) to assess a country's potential to benefit from skills partnerships for fairer migration and build capacity on the topic of skills and migration.

Resource persons:

One international consultant on skills and migration having conducted the subregional mapping study

One labour migration expert from the IOM

One skills development expert from UNESCO

Two representatives of the regional economic community ECCAS

One representative of the International Organisation of Employers (IOE)

One representative of the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)

Development partners:

The African Development Bank

The European Commission

The French Development Agency (AFD),

	The Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), The Government of the Netherlands, The Government of Norway, The Luxembourg Agency for Development Cooperation (LuxDev) The Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA), The Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Human Resources Development Recommendation, 2004 (No. 195), Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Migration for Employment Recommendation (Revised), 1949 (No. 86), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143), Migrant Workers Recommendation, 1975 (No. 151)
Working languages:	French, Spanish

6. *Workshop on completion of pilot projects on development of practical capabilities for analysis of demand for skilled workforce and advising planning of VET enrolment in a region of Kyrgyzstan and for producing occupational standards and qualifications in the three economic sectors of Kyrgyzstan*

Proposed date:	29–31 October 2019
Place:	Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan
Financing:	Government of the Russian Federation (US\$48,000)
Geographical coverage:	Armenia, Belarus, Kyrgyzstan, Russian Federation, Tajikistan
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	10
(b) Employers:	10
(c) Workers:	10
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to improve understanding of the way the G20TS Project develops the knowledge and practical capacity of its stakeholders and practitioners; (ii) to understand the way the original methodology of the demand analysis developed by the G20TS Project can be applied in the highly statistically complex labour market of a developing country with high share of self-employed; (iii) to understand the process of developing a capacity of local experts and industries for applying the most

advanced principles of developing occupational standards and competency-based qualifications in a developing country which operates without a national qualifications framework; and

- (iv) to discuss the results of the two sophisticated pilot projects which produced results sought after by the relevant government agencies for their practical application and also discuss the opportunities for replicating the methodologies and results with beneficiaries from other countries.

Resource persons:

One international consultant

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Human Resources Development Recommendation, 2004 (No. 195); Conclusions of the International Labour Conference *Skills for improved productivity, employment growth and development*, ILO 2008; the G20 Training Strategy: A Skilled Workforce for Strong, Sustainable and Balanced Growth, ILO 2010

Working languages:

English, Russian

7. *Symposium on challenges and prospects for financing vocational training in West Africa*

Proposed date:

15–16 November 2019

Place:

Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire

Financing:

Government of France (US\$25,000)
Government of Luxembourg (US\$25,000)
The African Network of Institutions and Vocational Training Funds (RAFPRO) (US\$25,000)

Geographical coverage:

Benin, Burkina Faso, Central African Republic, Chad, Côte d'Ivoire, Guinea, Mali, Niger, Senegal, Togo

Composition of participants:

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| (a) Governments: | 47 |
| (b) Employers: | 11 |
| (c) Workers: | 11 |

Purpose of the meeting:

- (i) to share relevant and innovative experiences in the field of technical and vocational education and training (TVET) financing on the African continent;
- (ii) to strengthen the RAFPRO's capacity to formulate national and/or subregional financial policies; and
- (iii) to recommend measures to enhance the results of TVET projects focusing on skills development, labour market integration and productivity enhancement through training.

Resource persons: One consultant

Working language: French

8. 2019 ILO Employment Policy Research Symposium on the future of full employment

Proposed date: 12–13 December 2019

Place: Geneva, Switzerland

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$80,000)

Geographical coverage: Global Symposium

Composition of participants:

(a) Governments: 5

(b) Employers: 5

(c) Workers: 5

Purpose of the meeting:

- (i) to discuss how to reinvigorate the full employment agenda in new economic and social circumstances, and strengthen conceptual and analytical foundations of full employment;
- (ii) to review recent developments in policy options and tools, and share lessons from good practice; and
- (iii) to foster a global knowledge network among policymakers, academia, international organizations, United Nations agencies, development partners, so as to identify key items for future policy research work.

Resource persons: Constituents
Distinguished academics and researchers
Development partners

Observers: Representatives from Geneva-based permanent missions

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts: Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122)

Working language: English

9. Subregional training workshop: Building resilience through public employment programmes

Proposed date: 16–20 December 2019

Place: Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago

Financing: RBSA (US\$79,881)

Geographical coverage: Dominica, Guyana, Saint Lucia, Trinidad and Tobago

Composition of participants:

(a) Governments: 20

(b) Employers:	7
(c) Workers:	7
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to promote the use of public employment programmes (PEP) as a powerful policy tool to ensure an employment-centred recovery from disasters with positive externalities beyond the labour market; (ii) to understand how public employment programmes can contribute to climate change adaptation and become a response to natural disasters; and (iii) to share experiences and best practices, acquire knowledge on public employment programmes for sustainable decent work creation and expose participants to contracting methodologies and capacity-building for SMEs development and livelihoods
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Employment and Decent Work for Peace and Resilience Recommendation, 2017 (No. 205)
Working language:	English

Enterprises

10. *Preparatory meeting for the COP25: Promotion of a just transition and the creation of green jobs for all and climate action in Latin America and the Caribbean*

Proposed date:	29–30 October 2019
Place:	Santiago, Chile
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$60,520)
Geographical coverage:	Argentina, Barbados, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Guyana, Jamaica, Mexico, Peru, Uruguay
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	20
(b) Employers:	10
(c) Workers:	10
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to serve as the preparatory meeting of the working group on just transition, decent work and climate change, to which the ILO provides technical support and facilitation, in advance of the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP25) scheduled to take place in Chile on 2–13 December 2019; (ii) to share information and best practices on work carried out in the framework of a just transition and the creation of green jobs in the region;

	(iii) to promote and define Decent Work Country Programmes including specific measures relating to a just transition in the climate action of each country; and
	(iv) to follow up on the commitments to be presented at the 2019 Climate Action Summit on 23 September.
Resource persons:	Government representatives from Canada, France, Germany, South Africa and Spain
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), Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), Labour Inspection (Agriculture) Convention, 1969 (No. 129)
Working languages:	English, Spanish

Social protection

11. *Regional technical training on monitoring SDG 1.3 using Social Security Inquiry (SSI)*

Proposed date:	28–29 August 2019
Place:	Johannesburg, South Africa
Financing:	RBTC (US\$40,000)
Geographical coverage:	Botswana, Eswatini, Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Namibia, Rwanda, South Africa, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe
Composition of participants:	
Governments:	20
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to enhance participants' knowledge of social protection system monitoring indicators; (ii) to learn about Social Security Inquiry and through a questionnaire collect national data and tools for core set of indicators; and (iii) to learn about SDG indicators on social protection, and the methodology to calculate the SDG 1.3.1.

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Social Protection Floors Recommendation, 2012 (No. 202), Social Security (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1952 (No. 102)
Working language:	English

12. *Training workshop on employment insurance: Global, regional and Korean experience on Employment Insurance*

Proposed date:	28 October–1 November 2019
Place:	Seoul, Republic of Korea
Financing:	Government of the Republic of Korea (US\$15,000)
Geographical coverage:	Malaysia, Thailand, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	3
(b) Employers:	3
(c) Workers:	3
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to identify priority needs in establishing employment insurance in line with ILO social security Conventions, notably ILO Convention No. 102; Convention No. 168 and Recommendation No. 176 and international good practices, especially of the Republic of Korea; (ii) to enhance knowledge in relation to policy design processes associated with the development of the employment insurance scheme, particularly regarding evidence-based, informed tripartite dialogue; and (iii) to have a better understanding of possible strategies towards the development and launch of the employment insurance scheme at country level and possible strategies towards the improvement of the quality of service provision.
Resource persons:	Experts from the Korean Employment Information Service (KEIS)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Social Security (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1952 (No. 102), Employment Promotion and Protection against Unemployment Convention, 1988 (No. 168), Employment Promotion and Protection against Unemployment Recommendation, 1988 (No. 176),
Working language:	English

Governance and tripartism

13. *Enhancing the effectiveness, impact and inclusiveness of national social dialogue institutions (NSDIs)*

Proposed date:	1–2 October 2019
Place:	Johannesburg, South Africa
Financing:	RBTC (US\$40,000) PSI (US\$40,000)
Geographical coverage:	Angola, Botswana, Comoros, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Eswatini, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Seychelles, South Africa, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	16
(b) Employers:	16
(c) Workers:	16
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to exchange experiences and good practice on tripartite social dialogue in the Southern African Development Community (SADC); (ii) to discuss how to strengthen the role and effectiveness of national social dialogue institutions (NSDIs) in the SADC as platforms for tripartite consultations and negotiations between government and the social partners on policy issues; and (iii) to discuss and agree on future modalities of cooperation between the NSDIs in the SADC to further enhance their effectiveness as vehicles for tripartism and social dialogue.
Observers:	A representative of the Southern African Trade Union Coordination Council (SATUCC) A representative of and the SADC Employers' Forum
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), Consultation (Industrial and National Levels) Recommendation, 1960 (No. 113), Tripartite Consultation (Activities of the International Labour Organisation) Recommendation, 1976 (No. 152)
Working language:	English

14. ILO–AICESIS Joint International Conference on the governance of the digital economy: The critical role of social dialogue through the Economic and Social Councils and Similar Institutions

Proposed date:	10–11 October 2019
Place:	Bucharest, Romania
Financing:	Government of Romania (US\$40,000) ILO regular budget (US\$60,000)
Geographical coverage:	Global Conference on Economic and Social Councils and similar national institutions for social dialogue such as national Councils for Social Dialogue and Labour Advisory Boards (AICESIS members and non-AICESIS members) from all over the world, will be invited. Institutions from the following ten countries with a tripartite delegation will be sponsored by the ILO: (Colombia, Eswatini, Ghana, Guinea, Jordan, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Serbia and Tunisia)
Composition of participants:	Global
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to examine how digitalization is affecting the world of work and to identify proactive actions that economic and social councils and other national social dialogue institutions (ESCs–NSDIs) can take, through effective social dialogue and tripartism; (ii) to help governments, employers’ and workers’ organizations devise strategies to harness the potential of digitalization to promote decent working conditions for workers and an enabling environment for sustainable enterprises; and (iii) to exchange experiences and good practice and to mutually learn from each other in line with the conclusions of the International Labour Conference recurrent discussion on social dialogue and tripartism adopted at the 107th Session in June 2018.
Resource persons:	International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) International Organisation of Employers (IOE) International Association of Economic and Social Councils and Similar Institutions (AICESIS) World Bank Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) World Economic Forum
Observers:	Tripartite constituents from Romania as host country Members of the social and economic council of Romania Academia from Romania

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), Medical Examination (Fishermen) Convention, 1959 (No. 113), Occupational Safety and Health (Dock Work) Convention, 1979 (No. 152)

Working languages:

English, French, Romanian

15. Fifth meeting of the regional Latin American and Caribbean Focal Points Network on “Free of Child Labour”

Proposed date:

22–25 October 2019

Place:

Lima, Peru

Financing:

Government of the United States (US\$50,000)
Government of Spain (US\$ 57,587)

Geographical coverage:

Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Plurinational State of Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

Composition of participants:

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| (a) Governments: | 30 |
| (b) Employers: | 7 |
| (c) Workers: | 7 |

Purpose of the meeting:

- (i) to evaluate at the regional and country levels the progress of strategic planning corresponding to Phase II (2018–21) of the international regional Latin America and the Caribbean Free of Child Labour Initiative and identify common challenges;
- (ii) to develop the 2019–20 Annual Work Plan of the Focal Points Network of the Regional initiative; and
- (iii) to exchange experiences and lessons learned on the implementation of the Child Labour Risk Identification Model (Phase I and Phase II).

Resource persons:

One representative of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC).
One representative of the Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID)
One representative of the Andalusian Agency for International Development Cooperation (AACID)
One representative of the Brazilian Agency for Cooperation (ABC)

	One representative of the United States Department of Labor (USDOL)
	One representative of the Global March against Child Labour
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Minimum Age Recommendation, 1973 (No. 146), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182), Worst Forms of Child Labour Recommendation, 1999 (No. 190)
Working languages:	English, Spanish, Portuguese

16. *Caribbean Employers' Confederation (CEC) and the Caribbean Congress of Labour (CCL) meeting to chart the way forward following the conclusion of the EU project*

Proposed date:	11 November 2019
Place:	Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago
Financing:	RBTC (US\$11,766)
Geographical coverage:	Bahamas, Barbados, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, Saint Lucia, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago
Composition of participants:	
(a) Employers:	6
(b) Workers:	6
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to discuss and reflect on the findings of the project evaluation and deliberate on capacity requirements of the Caribbean Employers' Confederation (CEC) and the Caribbean Congress of Labour (CCL) to advance their common agenda; (ii) to discuss the Caribbean Community employment and labour agenda and the regional social dialogue mechanism, identify strategies to strengthen employers' and workers' participation and representation in the Caribbean Community social dialogue structures; (iii) to discuss progress regarding the implementation of the economic partnership agreement (EPA) and identify opportunities for workers' and employers' involvement in monitoring mechanisms at the national level, advocate and lobby for contingent rights as part of efforts towards harmonization of legislation; and (iv) to explore funding and resource mobilization opportunities to support their activities including the implementation of Conclusions from the Second Bipartite Regional Meeting held in September 2017.

Resource persons:	The European Union Caribbean Community Secretariat (CARICOM)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122)
Working language:	English

17. *Knowledge sharing workshop on Alliance 8.7 and the promotion of ILO Protocol to the Forced Labour Convention*

Proposed date:	20–22 November 2019
Place:	Kathmandu, Nepal
Financing:	RBTC (US\$45,000) Government of the United States (US\$40,000)
Geographical coverage:	Afghanistan, Australia, Bangladesh, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	30
(b) Employers:	15
(c) Workers:	15
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to step up action through development cooperation and other means to campaign for the universal ratification of the eight fundamental Conventions, taking into account the low rates of ratification of Conventions Nos 87 and 98, by its Centenary in 2019, and the attainment of the target of 50 ratifications of the Protocol of 2014 to the Forced Labour Convention, 1930, by 2018; and (ii) to assist member States with a view to overcoming challenges of ratification and implementation, strengthening tripartite capacities and promoting social dialogue for the full realization of fundamental principles and rights at work.
Resource persons:	South Asia Initiative to End Violence Against Children (SAIEVAC) Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Researchers Members of Alliance 8.7 Government officials International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) Building and Wood Workers' International (BWI) International Transport Workers' Federation (ITF)

	The International Union of Food, Agricultural, Hotel, Restaurant, Catering, Tobacco and Allied Workers' Associations (IUF)
	Education International (EI)
	International Organisation of Employers (IOE)
	ASEAN Confederation of Employers (ACE)
	South Asian Forum of Employers (SAFE)
	ASEAN Trade Union Council (ATUC)
	South Asian Regional Trade Union Council (SARTUC)
	Child Labour Platform representatives
	Forced Labour Network representatives
	Representatives from the Responsible Business Alliance
	Representatives from the Bali Process Network
	United Nations agencies who are part of Alliance 8.7
	United Nations International Children's Fund (UNICEF)
	International Organization for Migration (IOM)
	Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO)
	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)
	United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)
	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
	United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of women (UN Women)
	United Nations Resident Coordinator in Nepal
Observers:	Embassy of the United States of America
	French Embassy
	Argentinian Embassy
	Norwegian Embassy
	Department for International Development of the United Kingdom (DFID)
	European Union
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	ILO Protocol of 2014 to the Forced Labour Convention
	Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Forced Labour (Supplementary Measures) Recommendation, 2014 (No. 203)
	ILO Declaration of Philadelphia (1944)
	ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and its Follow-up (1998)

ILO Declaration on Social Justice for a Fair Globalization (2008)

Tripartite Declaration of Principles concerning Multinational Enterprises and Social Policy (MNE Declaration)

Bali Declaration from the 16th Asia and the Pacific Regional Meeting (APRM) (2016)

Future of Work Centenary Initiative – Global Commission on the Future of Work

Working language: English

18. Subregional meeting on promoting social dialogue

Proposed date: 27–29 November 2019

Place: Moscow, Russian Federation

Financing: PSI (US\$49,970)
ILO regular budget (US\$6,000)
RBSA (US\$11,400)

Geographical coverage: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russian Federation, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan

Composition of participants:

(a) Governments: 10
(b) Employers: 10
(c) Workers: 10

Purpose of the meeting: (i) to improve understanding among constituents in the subregion of the concepts of tripartism and social dialogue; and
(ii) to provide guidance on measures to be taken to promote and improve the functioning and impact of the tripartite social dialogue institutions as platforms for policy concertation and cooperation.

Resource persons: One representative from the International Organisation of Employers (IOE)
One representative from the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts: Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), Consultation (Industrial and National Levels) Recommendation, 1960 (No. 113), Tripartite Consultation (Activities of the International Labour Organisation) Recommendation, 1976 (No. 152)

Working languages: English, Russian

19. Building national capacity in child labour and forced labour data analysis for policy in French-speaking Africa

Proposed date:	27–31 January 2020
Place:	Abidjan, Côte d’Ivoire
Financing:	Government of Netherlands (US\$68,500)
Geographical coverage:	Algeria, Benin, Burkina Faso, Côte d’Ivoire, Guinea, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Senegal, Togo, Tunisia, as well as two regional representatives each from the Employers and Workers.
Composition of participants:	
Governments:	24
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to build national capacity to monitor and address child labour and forced labour in French-speaking Africa; (ii) to build bridges between data producers and data users in a collaborative effort; and (iii) to create a better understanding of the concepts behind the indicators to improve evidence-based policymaking.
Observers:	African Union Representatives of regional workers’ and employers’ organizations from French-speaking Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) countries and Arab Maghreb Union (UMA)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	The training will focus on child labour concepts and definitions, as stemming from national and international legislation, and on translating the concepts in statistical definitions with particular reference to the amendments recently introduced by the International Conference of Labour Statisticians
Working language:	French

20. Building national capacity in child labour and forced labour data analysis for policy in English-speaking Africa

Proposed date:	24–28 February 2020
Place:	Cairo, Egypt
Financing:	Government of the Netherlands (US\$78,500)
Geographical coverage:	Egypt, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Liberia, Libya, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan, Uganda, as well as two regional representatives each from the Employers and Workers

Composition of participants:	
Governments:	30
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to build national capacity to monitor and address child labour and forced labour in English-speaking Africa; (ii) to build bridges between data producers and data users in a collaborative effort; and (iii) to create a better understanding of the concepts behind the indicators to improve evidence-based policymaking.
Observers:	African Union Representative of regional workers' and employers' organizations from English-speaking Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) countries and Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	The training will focus on child labour concepts and definitions, as stemming from national and international legislation, and on translating the concepts in statistical definitions with particular reference to the amendments recently introduced by the International Conference of Labour Statisticians
Working language:	English

Conditions of work and equality

21. *Global dialogue on Convention No. 169*

Proposed date:	18–19 July 2019
Place:	Geneva, Switzerland
Financing:	RBTC (US\$31,000) RBSA (US\$25,000) ILO regular budget (US\$19,000)
Geographical coverage:	Colombia, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras, Nepal, Norway, Peru
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	7
(b) Employers:	7
(c) Workers:	7
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to promote enhanced understanding of the Convention's scope and the respective mandates and working methods of the ILO supervisory bodies and UN mechanism;

- (ii) to enable dialogue among ILO constituents on experiences in implementing Convention No. 169, and dialogue between ILO constituents and UN mechanisms addressing indigenous peoples' rights; and
- (iii) to identify and document lessons learned, challenges and opportunities regarding the Convention's application, as well as approaches and opportunities for future dialogue and cooperation across the UN system.

Resource persons:

United Nations Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples
The Chair (or designated other member) of the Expert Mechanisms on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP)
The Chair (or designated other member) of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (UNPFII)
Two members of the ILO Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations
One Worker member of the Conference Committee on the Application of Standards (CAS)
One Employer member of the Conference Committee on the Application of Standards (CAS)

Observers:

International Organisation of Employers (IOE)
International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)
Permanent missions
Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)
Secretariat for United Nations Special Rapporteur and Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP)
United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (Secretariat for the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (UNPFII))

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention, 1989 (No. 169)

Working languages:

English, Spanish

22. *Subregional meeting on the governance of labour migration: Fair recruitment and prevention of fraudulent practices*

Proposed date:

3–5 September 2019

Place:

Guatemala City, Guatemala

Financing:

European Union (US\$38,550)
IOM (US\$24,385)

Geographical coverage:	Belize, Canada, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, United States
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	44
(b) Employers:	5
(c) Workers:	5
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to exchange diagnostics and information on barriers and major challenges for effective governance of labour migration; (ii) to share good practices and lessons learned in the member countries of the Regional Conference on Migration (CRM) of the initiatives that promote effective governance of labour migration and the protection of the labour rights of migrant workers and encourage major opportunities for cooperation among countries; (iii) to disseminate and promote the practical use of the ILO's international definition of "recruitment fees and related costs" in the region, including the CRM member countries; as well as identifying instruments for the promotion of ethical practices for recruiting migrants; and (iv) to promote the production of recruitment-related data and identify CRM member countries that might be interested in applying the ILO–World Bank methodology for measuring progress on SDG indicator 10.7.1 on reductions in recruitment costs.
Resource persons:	Two consultants Three representatives from civil society
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), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), 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), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143), Private Employment Agencies Convention, 1997 (No. 181), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182), Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189), Protocol of 2014 to the Forced Labour Convention, 1930, Migration for Employment Recommendation (Revised), 1949 (No. 86), Migrant Workers Recommendation, 1975 (No. 151), Private Employment Agencies Recommendation, 1997 (No. 188),

Transition from the Informal to the Formal Economy Recommendation, 2015 (No. 204), Employment and Decent Work for Peace and Resilience Recommendation, 2017 (No. 205)

Working languages: English, Spanish

23. *Twelfth ASEAN Forum on Migrant Labour (AFML)*

Proposed date: 26–27 September 2019

Place: Bangkok, Thailand

Financing: Governments of Australia and Canada (US\$42,000)
Government of Thailand (US\$17,000)
ILO regional labour migration programme (US\$6,000)

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: 14

(c) Workers: 14

Purpose of the meeting: (i) to share stakeholder experiences, challenges and good practices in the implementation of recommendations from previous ASEAN fora on migrant labour with a particular focus on the eleventh forum;
(ii) to discuss the main theme and two sub-themes: (a) Pattern and Structure of Migration and Challenges; and (b) Response to Challenges: Stakeholders Perspectives; and
(iii) to draft and adopt recommendations on the two thematic areas and submit these for consideration to the ASEAN Committee on the Implementation of the ASEAN Declaration on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights of Migrant Workers (ACMW).

Resource persons: Four international experts on future of work and migration

Observers: Two representatives of ASEAN Secretariat
Two representatives from the International Organization for Migration (IOM)
One representative from the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women)
Two representatives from the Task Force on ASEAN Migrant Workers (TFAMW)

	Representatives from regional and national civil society organizations
	Two representatives of donor countries Australia (DFAT) and Canada (GAC)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143)
Working language:	English

24. *Capacity-building for social partners in the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) region*

Proposed date:	14–18 October 2019
Place:	Arusha, United Republic of Tanzania
Financing:	European Union (US\$49,660)
Geographical coverage:	Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan, Uganda
Composition of participants:	
(a) Employers:	15
(b) Workers:	15
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to give social partners an opportunity to learn from best practices and experiences from East African Employers Organization (EAEO) and East African Trade Union Confederation (EATUC) in establishing and leading regional level confederations; (ii) to strengthen the capacity of employers' and workers' organizations to, through social dialogue, effectively engage and collaborate with Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) and the ILO especially on migration and regional integration issues; (iii) to provide up-to-date evidence and findings on what works and what does not work emanating from IGAD and ILO publications, particularly issues related to migration, to promote a regional approach to migration and decent work issues; and (iv) to stimulate cross-national exchange of vision, views and experiences among social partners and develop a network of practitioners on migration and regional integration and share lessons on evidence use for promoting decent work.
Resource persons:	IGAD officials working on migration and regional integration issues East African Community (EAC) officials working on migration and regional integration issues

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Migration for Employment Recommendation (Revised), 1949 (No. 86), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143), Migrant Workers Recommendation, 1975 (No. 151), Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98)

Working language:

English

25. *A century of maternity protection: Transforming leave and care policies for a better future of work for all*

Proposed date:

8 November 2019

Place:

Geneva, Switzerland

Financing:

Government of Sweden (US\$55,340)
European Commission (US\$30,000)

Geographical coverage:

Global Meeting: All Governing Body Government, Employer and Worker members invited as well as ILO member States, United Nations agencies and other relevant academic institutions.

Composition of participants:

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| (a) Governments: | 56 |
| (b) Employers: | 33 |
| (c) Workers: | 33 |

Purpose of the meeting:

- (i) to draw global political attention to the need to achieve universal maternity protection and gender-transformative care policies, including in the informal economy, with a view to ensure a decent future of work for all;
- (ii) to raise awareness of the benefits of universal social protection and in particular inclusive and adequate maternity protection and care policies for women, men and their families, employers and societies;
- (iii) to share experiences, document and disseminate good practices that work in the formal and informal economy, including addressing the realities of micro, small and medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs); and
- (iv) to showcase ILO convening power and leadership role on the topic and raise visibility of the ILO and inter-agency partnership with potential donors.

Resource persons:

Four high-level Government representatives
Three United Nations representatives, one each from:
United Nations International Children's Fund (UNICEF)
World Health Organization (WHO)

	United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women)
	Seven representatives from academia and think tank organizations. They will act as resource persons presenting recent research.
	A representative each from the Workers and from the Employers will be resource persons in a panel
Observers:	Eight European Union representatives 15 representatives of diplomatic missions based in Geneva Five researchers from Geneva-based universities 31 NGOs based in Geneva active in the field of gender equality
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Maternity Protection Convention, 2000 (No. 183), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Workers with Family Responsibilities Convention, 1981 (No. 156), Social Security (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1952 (No. 102)
Working languages:	English, French, Spanish

26. Meeting of Ministers of Labour in support of the Quito Process “The socio-economic integration of Venezuelan migrants and refugees in Latin America and the Caribbean”

Proposed date:	3 December 2019
Place:	Bogota, Colombia
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$20,036)
Geographical coverage:	Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, as well as Aruba (non-metropolitan territory)
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	13
(b) Employers:	1
(c) Workers:	1
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to analyse the challenges facing the region to achieve effective socio-economic integration of Venezuelan refugees and migrants, considering the impact on host communities and on local workers; (ii) to identify and promote the exchange of successful experiences and good practices in socio-economic integration implemented by the participating countries; and

	(iii) to collect and systematize the key elements that serve as examples in other host countries.
Resource persons:	Two representatives of the International Organization for Migration (IOM) Two representatives of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
Observers:	World Bank (WB) Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) European Union (EU) Southern Common Market (Mercosur) Andean Community (CAN) Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Central American Integration System (SICA) Organization of American States (OAS) Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC) Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Employment Service Convention, 1948 (No. 88), Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Equality of Treatment (Social Security) Convention, 1962 (No. 118), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143), Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981 (No. 155), Maintenance of Social Security Rights Convention, 1982 (No. 157), Private Employment Agencies Convention, 1997 (No. 181), Migration for Employment Recommendation (Revised), 1949 (No. 86), Migrant Workers Recommendation, 1975 (No. 151), Employment and Decent Work for Peace and Resilience Recommendation, 2017 (No. 205)
Working languages:	English, Spanish

27. *Interregional symposium on reducing the gender pay gap in the Arab States and promoting the Equal Pay International Coalition (EPIC)*

Proposed date:	16–17 December 2019
Place:	Amman, Jordan
Financing:	Government of Jordan (US\$14,000) Government of Sweden (US\$42,000)
Geographical coverage:	Bahrain, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Yemen, as well as the Occupied Palestinian Territory

Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	14
(b) Employers:	14
(c) Workers:	14
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to introduce the Equal Pay International Coalition (EPIC), raise awareness, provide guidance on joining, provide a platform where countries can share experiences and learning and also promote wider membership and action; and (ii) to present findings from research on promising practices that reduce gender pay gaps and promote equal pay in the Arab region while calling for pledges on equal pay.
Resource persons:	One Government representatives each from Jordan, the United Kingdom, Switzerland and Portugal One representative from the International Organisation of Employers (IOE) One representative from the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) One representative from the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women) One representative from the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)
Observers:	Six representatives of government women's machineries Six representatives from civil society
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111)
Working languages:	English, Arabic

Sectoral activities

28. *Inaugural Plenary Meeting of the South East Asian Forum for fishers*

Proposed date:	25–27 September 2019
Place:	Bali, Indonesia
Financing:	Government of the United States (US\$75,568) Government of Indonesia (US\$24,950)
Geographical coverage:	Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam

Composition of participants:

- (a) Governments: 44
- (b) Employers: 14
- (c) Workers: 14

Purpose of the meeting:

- (i) to promote an integrated approach to addressing issues of human trafficking and labour exploitation in fisheries by addressing both issues specifically related to trafficking for forced labour and underlying issues of the labour conditions of those who work in fishing (follow-up to November 2018 meeting);
- (ii) to consolidate the membership, technical advisers, and structure of the forum for ongoing work; as well as to consolidate the external engagement and private sector engagement strategies of the Forum; and
- (iii) to consolidate the work plans for the Forum, its working groups, and provide the first round of reports of the work so far.

Resource persons:

NGO representatives including KIARA (Indonesia)
Tambuyan (Philippines), Oxfam, and Environmental Justice Foundation, Greenpeace
One representative from the International Organization for Migration (IOM)
One representative from Bali Process
One representative from ASEAN
One representative from the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
One representative from the International Maritime Organization (IMO)
One representative from INTERPOL

Observers:

Representatives from the donor (USDOS Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons)
Representatives of other market States: European Union, China, Japan, Australia and New Zealand
Potential donors: Humanity United, the Freedom Fund, Packard Foundation

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Work in Fishing Convention, 2007 (No. 188), Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143)
ILO fundamental Conventions
ILO Multilateral Framework on Labour Migration

Working language:

English

29. *Investing in the health workforce: Employment and decent work in the health sector: Technical workshop for Southern African Development Community (SADC) countries*

Proposed date:	10–12 September 2019
Place:	Johannesburg, South Africa
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$50,000) ILO–OECD–WHO (US\$24,000)
Geographical coverage:	Angola, Botswana, Comoros, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Eswatini, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Seychelles, South Africa, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	16
(b) Employers:	16
(c) Workers:	16
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to discuss major opportunities and challenges regarding the health workforce in Southern African Development Community (SADC) countries, including health employment and decent work in the health sector; (ii) to identify strategic priorities and targets with regard to health workforce development for the SADC region; and (iii) to provide consolidated input for the development of a new SADC health workforce strategy and five-year action plan.
Resource persons:	Three World Health Organization (WHO) staff Two representatives from the SADC Secretariat
Observers:	Representative of a member State of the West African Economic and Monetary Union (UEMOA)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Merchant Shipping (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 147), Nursing Personnel Recommendation, 1977 (No. 157), Labour Relations (Public Service) Convention, 1978 (No. 151), Labour Relations (Public Service) Recommendation, 1978 (No. 159)
Working languages:	English, French

30. Quality early childhood education and the professionalization of early childhood education (ECE) workers

Proposed date:	29–31 October 2019
Place:	Casablanca, Morocco
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$50,000) UNESCO (US\$10,000) Moroccan Foundation for ECE (US\$30,000) German Agency for International Cooperation (GIZ) (US\$38,000)
Geographical coverage:	Algeria, Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Côte d'Ivoire, Egypt, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Jordan, Kenya, Liberia, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Morocco, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, United Republic of Tanzania, Togo, Tunisia
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	28
(b) Employers:	28
(c) Workers:	28
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to exchange knowledge and share good practices on developing and deploying quality early childhood education (ECE) workers; (ii) to discuss challenges and solutions in respect to developing quality ECE staff and retaining them in service; and (iii) to adopt a regional road map on decent work for ECE personnel.
Resource persons:	UNESCO Paris UNESCO Rabat International ECE experts
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	The meeting will draw on the ILO <i>Policy Guidelines on the promotion of decent work for early childhood education personnel</i> (2014) which draws on the body of up-to-date international labour standards
Working languages:	English, French, Arabic

Employers' activities

31. *Building African employers' organizations' capacity to engage in labour migration governance*

Proposed date:	13–15 November 2019
Place:	Pretoria, South Africa
Financing:	Government of Sweden (US\$103,017)
Geographical coverage:	Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Egypt, Eritrea, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Kenya, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, United Republic of Tanzania, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe, as well as one Employer representative each from the following seven regional organizations: Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) Southern African Development Community (SADC) East African Community (EAC) Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA) Arab Maghreb Union (UMA) Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS) and at the continental level, one representative from Business Africa
Composition of participants:	
Employers:	42
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to enhance the capacity of African employers' organizations to engage in labour migration governance particularly by contributing to formulating and implementing labour migration policies, legislation and measures at continental, subregional and country levels; and (ii) to build social partners' capacity to get involved in advocacy and lobbying activities on labour migration governance with a specific focus on women migrant workers.
Resource persons:	The International Organisation of Employers (IOE)
Observers:	The IOE

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143), Migration for Employment Recommendation (Revised), 1949 (No. 86), Migrant Workers Recommendation, 1975 (No. 151)
Working languages:	English, French

Workers' activities

32. ***Training workshop on protecting migrant workers in the Indian Ocean Islands***

Proposed date:	9–12 September 2019
Place:	Antananarivo, Madagascar
Financing:	RBTC (US\$15,000)
Geographical coverage:	Comoros, Madagascar, Mauritius, Seychelles, as well as two Indian Ocean Island territories, Mayotte and La Réunion
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	21
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to explore and discuss limitations of trade unions traditional services model of unionism in meeting new challenges escalated by the evolving and transforming world; and (ii) to target discriminatory practices on migrant workers and develop anti-discriminatory tools
Observers:	One representative from the Ministry of Labour of Madagascar One representative from the Employer Federation (Indian Ocean Islands)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	ILO standards and fundamental principles and rights at work ILO Multilateral Framework on Labour Migration <i>ILO General principles and operational guidelines for fair recruitment</i> Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143)
Working languages:	English, French

33. Promoting labour rights and social dialogue by effective implementation of the EU-Georgia Association Agenda, building on the experience of other Eastern Partnership states

Proposed date:	23–24 September 2019
Place:	Tbilisi, Georgia
Financing:	Government of Denmark (US\$18,600)
Geographical coverage:	Georgia, Republic of Moldova, Ukraine
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	25
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to improve national social dialogue and opportunities to apply positive changes made to labour standards and labour market institutions in the process of harmonization of labour legislation with European Union laws to the benefit of workers and their families; and (ii) to adopt joint trade union strategies.
Resource persons:	One executive secretary from the Pan-European Regional Council of the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC–PERC)
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), Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144)
Working languages:	English, Russian

34. Promoting social dialogue and international labour standards in the regions of the Eastern Partnership countries – case of Adjara

Proposed date:	26–27 September 2019
Place:	Batumi, Georgia
Financing:	Government of Denmark (US\$17,000)
Geographical coverage:	Georgia, Republic of Moldova, Ukraine
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	25
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to improve national social dialogue and opportunities to apply positive changes made to labour standards and labour market institutions in the process of harmonization of labour legislation with European Union laws to the benefit of workers and their families; and (ii) to adopt joint trade union strategies.

Resource persons:	One executive secretary from Pan-European Regional Council of the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC–PERC)
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), Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144)
Working languages:	English, Russian

35. *Universal healthcare (UHC) and fundamental principles and rights at work*

Proposed date:	7–8 October 2019
Place:	Nur-Sultan, Kazakhstan
Financing:	RBSA (US\$12,000)
Geographical coverage:	Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Republic of Moldova, Russian Federation, Tajikistan, Ukraine
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	50
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to build the capacities of Public Services International (PSI) affiliates to campaign for improved funding for health and budget accountability, towards establishing universal public health coverage; (ii) to examine the levels of implementation of the fundamental principles and rights at work in the health services across different countries within the region, and consider the problems and prospects for improving these; (iii) to initiate renewed efforts to ensure freedom of association as an essential labour and trade union right, enshrined in the fundamental principles and rights at work; and (iv) to establish commitment to gender equality in the health and social services, in line with the principle of “No Discrimination”, in the fundamental principles and rights at work
Resource persons:	The PSI

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)

Working languages: English, Russian

36. *Training on international labour standards and ILO supervisory mechanisms for Portuguese-speaking African countries*

Proposed date: 14–17 October 2019

Place: Luanda, Angola

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$21,067)

Geographical coverage: Angola, Cabo Verde, Guinea-Bissau, Mozambique, Sao Tome and Principe

Composition of participants:

Workers: 16

Purpose of the meeting:

- (i) to understand better the functioning of the ILO and its international labour standards system and particularly the procedures for adoption, ratification and supervision of international labour standards;
- (ii) to formulate strategies to defend workers' rights through advocacy, legal action, campaigns and other activities related to ratification and implementation of international labour standards;
- (iii) to develop action plans to implement the strategies to be developed and improve on social dialogue in the Community of Portuguese Language-speaking countries (CPLP); and
- (iv) to strengthen international cooperation and networking of unions within the CPLP.

Resource persons: One member of the Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations (CEACR)

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts: This is a training on international labour standards. The training will focus on building the capacity of the participating trade unions to promote the application of labour standards by bringing attention to labour and workers' rights violations. This includes capacity to follow international labour standards' procedures, the reporting obligations as well as the role of trade unions in the application of international labour standards.

Working language: Portuguese

37. Training seminar for trade unions on the MNE Declaration and policy coherence in the field of socially responsible labour practices in global supply chains

Proposed date:	22–24 October 2019
Place:	Cebu, Philippines
Financing:	European Union (US\$25,579)
Geographical coverage:	China, Indonesia, Japan, Myanmar, Philippines, Thailand, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	19
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to provide workers and unions with the knowledge of international policy frameworks in the field of corporate social responsibility and responsible business conduct to advocate for the implementation of the policies and principles recommended by those instruments; (ii) to advocate workers and unions to use the instruments to protect labour rights and trade union rights in global supply chains; (iii) to provide the participants with an overview of other existing policy instruments for the promotion of the labour dimension of corporate social responsibility/responsible business conduct, as well as the opportunity for the participants to share main challenges and good practices in relation to engaged dialogue and collective bargaining with multinational enterprises in global supply chains; and (iv) to identify concrete actions to be implemented jointly in the framework of the Responsible Supply Chains in Asia programmes in the respective countries covered by the programme
Resource persons:	One international consultant International Trade Union Confederation for Asia and the Pacific (ITUC–AP) IndustriALL Global Union United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) European Union delegation Trade Union Advisory Committee to the OECD (TUAC–OECD) Business and Industry Advisory Committee to the OECD (BIAC–OECD)

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

ILO Tripartite Declaration of Principles concerning Multinational Enterprises and Social Policy (MNE Declaration)
OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises (2011)
UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights
 ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work (1998)
 ILO Centenary Declaration for the Future of Work (2019)

Working language:

English

38. *Building African workers' organizations' capacity to engage in labour migration governance*

Proposed date: 23–25 October 2019

Place: Nairobi, Kenya

Financing: Government of Sweden (US\$92,033)

Geographical coverage: Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Eritrea, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Libya, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Morocco, Mozambique, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe, as well as participants from the following seven regional trade union organizations: ITUC-Africa, OUATUU, OTUWA, SATUCC, EATUC, OTUCA and CSTOI

Composition of participants:

Workers: 46

Purpose of the meeting:

- (i) to enhance the capacity of African workers' organizations' to engage in labour migration governance particularly by contributing to formulating and implementing labour migration policies, legislation and measures at continental, subregional and regional levels; and
- (ii) to build social partners' capacity to get involved in advocacy and lobbying activities on labour migration governance with a specific focus on women migrant workers.

Observers:

Public Services International (PSI)
 The International Union of Food, Agricultural, Hotel, Restaurant, Catering, Tobacco and Allied Workers' Associations (IUF)
 Building and Wood Workers International (BWI)
 The International Transport Workers' Federation (ITF)
 International Domestic Workers Federation (IDWF)

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts: Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143), Migration for Employment Recommendation (Revised), 1949 (No. 86), Migrant Workers Recommendation, 1975 (No. 151)

Working languages: English, French

39. *Newly Independent States (NIS) economists meeting on International Financial Institutions' (IFIs) policies to develop trade union wage and social protection strategies*

Proposed date: 6–7 November 2019

Place: Tbilisi, Georgia

Financing: ILO Turin centre (US\$14,000)

ITUC–PERC (US\$5,200)

RBSA (US\$1,200)

RBTC (US\$4,016)

Geographical coverage: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Republic of Moldova, Russian Federation, Tajikistan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan

Composition of participants:

Workers: 25

Purpose of the meeting:

- (i) to discuss research findings, policies and interventions of the International Financial Institutions (International Monetary Fund and the World Bank) on global and national levels, due diligence mechanisms established by the multilateral development banks and the ways in which unions can promote decent work and social justice by using them; and
- (ii) to exchange views on wage policies with a view to building common actions and subregional and national wage increase campaigns.

Resource persons: Two representatives from the Pan-European Regional Council of the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC–PERC)

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts: Minimum Wage Fixing Convention, 1970 (No. 131), Protection of Wages Convention, 1949 (No. 95), Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98)

Working languages: English, Russian

40. *Regional workers' seminar on decent work for people with disabilities*

Proposed date:	12–13 November 2019
Place:	Santiago, Chile
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$78,344)
Geographical coverage:	Argentina, Barbados, Canada, Chile, Colombia, El Salvador, Guatemala, Guyana, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Uruguay
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	39
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to develop workers organizations' knowledge and intelligence on decent work activities for people with disabilities partnerships; (ii) to obtain their engagement and partnership for the adoption of a national/regional framework; and (iii) to design ways forward on action together with the human and financial resource mobilization strategy.
Resource persons:	Two external collaborators who contributed to the survey and ACTRAV work on trade union action on decent work for people with disabilities Organization of American States (OAS-Brazil) Officials of the United Nations agencies specialized in disability inclusion Disability People Organizations representatives specialized in partnership with trade unions Government institution representatives specialized in people with disabilities employment Trade unions institution representatives specialized in disability inclusion Employers' organizations' representatives with experience on recruiting people with disabilities
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (Disabled Persons) Convention, 1983 (No. 159), Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (Disabled Persons) Recommendation, 1983 (No. 168)
Working languages:	English, Spanish

41. *Trade union training on productivity improvement for a human-centred approach to the future of work with decent work for all*

Proposed date:	25–29 November 2019
Place:	Windhoek, Namibia
Financing:	RBTC (US\$5,000) RENGO Japan (US\$40,000)

Geographical coverage:	Angola, Botswana, Comoros, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Eswatini, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Seychelles, South Africa, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	20
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to enhance the role of trade unions in sharing the gains from productivity improvement for a human-centred approach to the future of work with decent work for all; and (ii) to improve participants' competitiveness to create more employment opportunities and enhanced mechanisms for social dialogue and collective bargaining for achieving decent work for all.
Observers:	African Regional Organisation of the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC-Africa) Organization of African Trade Union Unity (OATUU) Southern African Trade Union Coordination Council (SATUCC) Employer federation of Namibia Ministry of Labour of Namibia
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), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122)
Working languages:	English, French, Portuguese

42. *Interregional trade unions and sustainable development goals: A South–South learning exchange and training workshop*

Proposed date:	2–5 December 2019
Place:	Manila, Philippines
Financing:	RBTC (US\$80,000)
Geographical coverage:	Argentina, Azerbaijan, Chad, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Jordan, Kyrgyzstan, Republic of Moldova, Namibia, Philippines, Samoa, Zambia, Zimbabwe
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	24
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to enhance the capacity of the trade unions to effectively engage in the 2030 Agenda processes at national, continental and global levels; (ii) to assess progress made, identify existing obstacles and challenges, and exchange experiences; and

	(iii) to share knowledge and good practices among participants on ways to overcome the identified challenges and on how the opportunities presented by the 2030 Agenda can be utilized by trade unions.
Resource persons:	Trade Union Development Cooperation Network of the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) ITUC for Asia and the Pacific, for Africa, for the Arab States Trade Union Confederation for the Americas (TUCA) UN Resident Coordinator in the Philippines UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	The discussions on the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs are expected to lead to the following outcomes related to international labour standards: Increased reach of international labour standards through wider ratification; Enhanced action by tripartite constituents and other actors at the country level for the application of international labour standards, supported through national and multilateral planning frameworks such as DWCPs and United Nations Sustainable Development; Cooperation frameworks (ex-UNDAFs) or equivalent planning frameworks; and Effective engagement or ownership by tripartite constituents in the preparation, adoption, reporting and review of international labour standards.
Working languages:	English, French, Spanish

43. *Interregional forum on trade union involvement on organizing the informal economy in trade union*

Proposed date:	9–10 December 2019
Place:	Nairobi, Kenya
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$45,000)
Geographical coverage:	Argentina, Azerbaijan, Benin, Plurinational State of Bolivia, Fiji, Ghana, India, Malawi, Republic of Moldova, Nepal, Peru, Philippines, Sierra Leone, United Republic of Tanzania, Turkmenistan, Uganda, Uzbekistan, Zambia, Zimbabwe
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	20
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to take stock and exchange experiences of different models and dilemmas, prospects and consequences (trade-offs) when organizing informal economy workers and operators; and (ii) To create space in existing structures of trade unions.

Observers:	Danish Trade Union Development Agency (DTDA) East African Trade Union Confederation (EATUC) African Regional Organisation of the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC-Africa)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Transition from the Informal to the Formal Economy Recommendation, 2015 (No. 204)
Working languages:	English, French, Spanish, Portuguese

44. *Regional Meeting on enhancing trade union actions to promote decent work and workers' rights in trade and investment agreements*

Proposed date:	9–11 December 2019
Place:	Hanoi, Vietnam
Financing:	RBTC (US\$70,000)
Geographical coverage:	Australia, Fiji, Indonesia, Japan, Republic of Korea, Malaysia, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Viet Nam, as well as one each from South-East Asia, South Asia and the Pacific Islands
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	35
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to discuss international labour standards, core labour Conventions, and the ILO's Decent Work Agenda; (ii) to explain free trade agreements (FTAs) and international investment agreements (IIAs) scenario at the national, subregional, and regional levels and analyse their impact in national and regional economies, employment, rights, wages; (iii) to define "labour and social provisions" and types of such provisions in Asia-Pacific FTAs; and identify the prevalence and gaps in labour provisions in bilateral and regional FTAs; and (iv) to explain the importance of social dialogue and the role of trade unions in FTAs, analysing one example in order to enhanced draft labour provision proposal and a trade union action agenda in promoting, enforcing and monitoring labour provisions in trade agreements.

Resource persons:	Third World Network Our World Is Not For Sale (OWINFS) Ministry of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs (Viet Nam) United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) Asian Development Bank (ADB) United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and Pacific (UNESCAP)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	The ILO describes labour provisions as “trade-related labour provisions that take into consideration any standard which addresses labour relations or minimum working terms or conditions, mechanisms for monitoring or promoting compliance, and/or a framework for cooperation. This definition groups together a broad range of labour provisions, including references to workers’ rights, as well as frameworks for cooperation”. Labour provisions also embody fundamental principles and rights at work and that the workshop will ensure adequate discussion and attention to fundamental principles and rights at work.
Working language:	English

45. *Subregional training for trade union lawyers and leaders on the use of international labour standards and its supervisory machinery*

Proposed date:	11–13 December 2019
Place:	Tbilisi, Georgia
Financing:	Government of Denmark (US\$25,000)
Geographical coverage:	Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	25
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to strengthening the capacity of workers’ organizations to promote international labour standards, apply ILO Conventions and instruments and make use of ILO supervisory machinery; and (ii) to promote the role of workers’ organizations in tripartite consultations, reporting to ILO regular and special supervisory bodies.
Resource persons:	One executive secretary from the Pan-European Regional Council of the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC–PERC)

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), Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182)

Working languages:

English, Russian

46. Subregional activity on trade unions action on decent work for people with disabilities: Strengthening the action through legal frameworks

Proposed date:

28–30 January 2020

Place:

Monrovia, Liberia

Financing:

ILO regular budget (US\$31,438)

Geographical coverage:

Ghana, Liberia, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Togo

Composition of participants:

Workers:

30

Purpose of the meeting:

- (i) to develop workers' organizations' knowledge on decent work activities for people with disabilities (PWD) partnerships;
- (ii) to obtain their engagement and partnership for the adoption of a national/regional framework; and
- (iii) to design ways forward on action, together with the human and financial resource mobilization strategy.

Resource persons:

United Nations agencies official representatives specialized in disability inclusion
 Disability People Organizations representatives specialized in partnership with trade unions
 Government institution representatives specialized in PWD employment
 Trade union institutions representatives specialized in disability inclusion
 Employers' organizations' representatives able to speak about the experience on recruiting PWD

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (Disabled Persons) Convention, 1983 (No. 159), Employment Promotion and Protection against Unemployment Convention, 1988 (No. 168)
 United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Working language:

English

Timetable of approved symposia, seminars, workshops and similar meetings

<i>Date</i>	<i>Title of meeting</i>	<i>Place</i>
AFRICA		
2019		
1–2 August	Global youth employment forum 2019 – Today and tomorrow with decent jobs for youth	Abuja, Nigeria
28–29 August	Regional technical training on monitoring SDG 1.3 using Social Security Inquiry (SSI)	Johannesburg, South Africa
9–12 September	Training workshop on protecting migrant workers in the Indian Ocean Islands	Antananarivo, Madagascar
10–12 September	Investing in the health workforce: Employment and decent work in the health sector: Technical workshop for Southern African Development Community (SADC) countries	Johannesburg, South Africa
11–13 September	Subregional tripartite consultations for the formulation of skills partnerships for migration – Western Africa and the Sahel	Abuja, Nigeria
16–18 September	Subregional tripartite consultations for the formulation of skills partnerships for migration – Central Africa	Yaoundé, Cameroon
1–2 October	Enhancing the effectiveness, impact and inclusiveness of national social dialogue institutions (NSDIs)	Johannesburg, South Africa
14–17 October	Training on international labour standards and ILO supervisory mechanisms for Portuguese-speaking African countries	Luanda, Angola
14–18 October	Capacity-building for social partners in the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) region	Arusha, United Republic of Tanzania
23–25 October	Building African workers' organizations' capacity to engage in labour migration governance	Nairobi, Kenya
29–31 October	Quality early childhood education and the professionalization of early childhood education (ECE) workers	Casablanca, Morocco
13–15 November	Building African employers' organizations' capacity to engage in labour migration governance	Pretoria, South Africa
15–16 November	Symposium on challenges and prospects for financing vocational training in West Africa	Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire
25–29 November	Trade union training on productivity improvement for a human-centred approach to the future of work with decent work for all	Windhoek, Namibia
ASIA AND THE PACIFIC		
2019		
24–26 July	High-level tripartite forum on decent work and climate change in the Pacific	Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea
18–19 September	Ninth regional seminar on industrial relations in the ASEAN region on "Promoting sound industrial relations through social dialogue on skills development in the context of future of work"	Chiba, Japan
25–27 September	Inaugural Plenary Meeting of the South East Asian Forum for Fishers	Bali, Indonesia
26–27 September	Twelfth ASEAN Forum on Migrant Labour (AFML)	Bangkok, Thailand

<i>Date</i>	<i>Title of meeting</i>	<i>Place</i>
22–24 October	Training seminar for trade unions on the MNE Declaration and policy coherence in the field of socially responsible labour practices in global supply chains	Cebu, the Philippines
28 October–1 November	Training workshop on employment insurance (EI): Global, regional and Korean experience on employment insurance	Seoul, Republic of Korea
20–22 November	Knowledge sharing workshop on Alliance 8.7 and the promotion of ILO Protocol to the Forced Labour Convention	Kathmandu, Nepal
2–5 December	Interregional trade unions and sustainable development goals: A South–South learning exchange and training workshop	Manilla, the Philippines
9–11 December	Regional Meeting on enhancing trade union actions to promote decent work and workers' rights in trade and investment agreements	Hanoi, Viet Nam

EUROPE

2019

23–24 September	Promoting labour rights and social dialogue by effective implementation of the EU-Georgia Association Agenda building on the experience of other Eastern Partnership states	Tbilisi, Georgia
26–27 September	Promoting social dialogue and international labour standards in the regions of the Eastern Partnership countries – case of Adjara	Batumi, Georgia
7–8 October	Universal healthcare (UHC) and fundamental principles and rights at work	Nur-Sultan, Kazakhstan
10–11 October	ILO–AICESIS Joint International Conference on the governance of the digital economy: The critical role of social dialogue through the Economic and Social Councils and Similar Institutions	Bucharest, Romania
29–31 October	Workshop on completion of pilot projects on development of practical capabilities for analysis of demand for skilled workforce and advising planning of VET enrolment in a region of Kyrgyzstan and for producing occupational standards and qualifications in the three economic sectors of Kyrgyzstan	Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan
6–7 November	Newly Independent States (NIS) economists meeting on International Financial Institutions' (IFIs) policies to develop trade union wage and social protection strategies	Tbilisi, Georgia
27–29 November	Subregional meeting on promoting social dialogue	Moscow, Russian Federation
11–13 December	Subregional training for trade union lawyers and leaders on the use of international labour standards and its supervisory machinery	Tbilisi, Georgia

LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

2019

3–5 September	Subregional meeting on the governance of labour migration: Fair recruitment and prevention of fraudulent practices	Guatemala City, Guatemala
22–25 October	Fifth meeting of the regional Latin American and Caribbean Focal Points Network on "Free of Child Labour"	Lima, Peru
29–30 October	Preparatory meeting for the COP25: Promotion of a just transition and the creation of green jobs for all and climate action in Latin America and the Caribbean	Santiago, Chile

<i>Date</i>	<i>Title of meeting</i>	<i>Place</i>
11 November	Caribbean Employers' Confederation (CEC) and the Caribbean Congress of Labour (CCL) meeting to chart the way forward following the conclusion of the EU project	Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago
12–13 November	Regional workers' seminar on decent work for people with disabilities	Santiago, Chile
3 December	Meeting of Ministers of Labour in support of the Quito Process "The socio-economic integration of Venezuelan migrants and refugees in Latin America and the Caribbean"	Bogota, Colombia
16–20 December	Subregional training workshop: Building resilience through public employment programmes	Port of Spain Trinidad and Tobago

INTERREGIONAL

2019

18–19 July	Global Dialogue on Convention No. 169	Geneva, Switzerland
8 November	A century of maternity protection: Transforming leave and care policies for a better future of work for all	Geneva, Switzerland
9–10 December	Interregional forum on trade union involvement on organizing the informal economy in trade union	Nairobi, Kenya
12–13 December	2019 ILO Employment Policy Research Symposium on the future of full employment	Geneva, Switzerland
16–17 December	Interregional symposium on reducing the gender pay gap in the Arab States and promoting the Equal Pay International Coalition (EPIC)	Amman, Jordan

AFRICA

2020

27–31 January	Building national capacity in child labour and forced labour data analysis for policy in French-speaking Africa	Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire
28–30 January	Subregional activity on trade unions action on decent work for people with disabilities: Strengthening the action through legal frameworks	Monrovia, Liberia
24–28 February	Building national capacity in child labour and forced labour data analysis for policy in English-speaking Africa	Cairo, Egypt