



European Union

CEC/CCL 2ND REGIONAL BIPARTITE MEETING

Meeting Agenda

Hyatt Regency Hotel
Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago
26-29 September 2017

Day One: Tuesday 26 September

CEC and CCL facilitate separate meetings with their respective officials

- Venue: CEC Meeting – Jade Room
- Venue: CCL Meeting – Ruby Room

Day Two: Wednesday 27 September - Venue: Port of Spain Ballroom, The Hyatt

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| 08:30 - 09:00 a.m. | Registration of participants |
| 09:00 - 10:30 a.m. | Session 1: Opening Ceremony |
| 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. | Coffee break |
| 11:00 - 01:00 p.m. | Session 2: Overview of achievements and status of outcomes
Presentations by: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ CEC: Director▪ CCL: Executive Member |
| | General discussion |
| 01:00 - 02:00 p.m. | Lunch |

- 02:00 – 03:30 p.m. **Session 3: Policy positions related to Outcome 1**
- Paper 1: Maintaining a fair playing field while respecting OSH standards and increasing competitiveness.
 - Paper 2: Minimum wage-setting to advance Decent Work and improved living standards
- Presenter: Mr. Lauren Marsh, Research Fellow, Hugh Lawson Shearer Trade Union Education Institute
- 03:30 - 04:00 p.m. Coffee break
- 04:00 - 05:30 p.m. **Session 4: Policy positions related to Outcome 1 (Cont'd)**
- Paper 3: Social protection for all
 - Paper 4: Protecting people and employment: A path to sustainable development
- Presenter: Dr. Andre Vincent Henry

Day Three: 28 September 2017 - Venue: Port of Spain Ballroom, The Hyatt

- 09:00 - 10:30 a.m. **Session 5: CARICOM social and economic policies are influenced through CCL and CEC having a recognized status in COHSOD and COTED**
- What strategies are needed to ensure CEC and CCL representation in regional social dialogue mechanisms?
- Discussion and decision on strategies
- 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Coffee break
- 11:00 - 12:30 p.m. **Session 6: Analysis of national legislative compliance with ILO Fundamental Conventions (Outcome 2 & 4)**
- Presenter: Mr. Shingo Miyake, ILO Specialist, Labour Law and International Labour Standards.
- Discussion: What actions need to be taken to promote the Fundamental Conventions and their application in national law?
- 12:30 - 01:30 p.m. Lunch
- 01:30 – 03:00 p.m. **Session 7: Legislation models in place to enable harmonization (Outcome 2)**
- Presentation: Proposed laws and regulations required to promote greater regional integration
- Presenter: Mr. Michael Annisette, CCL General Council Member
- 03:00 - 03:30 p.m. Coffee break

- 03:30 - 05:00 p.m. **Session 8: Alignment of education outcomes with the needs of the labour market (Outcome 3)**
Discussion and endorsement of policy
- 07:00 – 11:00 pm Social event hosted by the National Trade Union Centre (NATUC)

Day Four: 29 September 2017 - Venue: Arnold Thomasos Room East and West, Parliament Building

- 09:30 - 11:00 a.m. **Session 9: Employers' organizations and trade unions play their role in the implementation, governance, and monitoring of the effect of the EPA's Social Aspects Chapter (Outcome 4)**
- Report on participation in CARIFORUM-Consultative Committee
 - Report from participants on National EPA monitoring Units and their participation
 - Discussion and decision on the way forward.
- 11:00 - 11:30 a.m. Coffee break
- 11:30 - 12:30 p.m. **Session 10: Presentation of activities to be implemented by 1 February 2018**
- Joint activities
 - CEC activities
 - CCL activities
- 12:30 - 02:00 p.m. Lunch
- 02:00 – 03:00 p.m. **Session 11: Adoption of Meeting Conclusions**
Presentation and discussion of conclusions
- 03:00 - 04:00 p.m. Closing Ceremony and press briefing

