



The International Labour Organization,
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In collaboration with
The Government of Barbados



**Eleventh ILO Sub regional Meeting of Ministers of Labour of the
English and Dutch Speaking Caribbean, Barbados**

SHAPING A BRIGHTER FUTURE OF WORK FOR THE CARIBBEAN

Accra Beach Hotel and Spa, 14-15 May 2019

ANNOTATED PROGRAMME

Tuesday 14 May

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| 09.00 – 10.00 | Opening Ceremony |
| 10.00 – 10.30 | <i>Coffee break / Drafting committee</i> |
| 10.30 – 12.30 | Statements on the future of work <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Report by participating Ministers / Delegations
Chair: The Honourable Colin Jordan, Minister of Labour and Social Partnership Relations, Barbados |
| 12.30 – 14.00 | <i>Lunch break</i> |
| 14.00 – 15.00 | Jobs and future of work <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Exploring new job opportunities for the Caribbean and how to support transitions. Focus on three areas of job creation – digital economy; care economy; and green/blue economy
Chair: Mr Juan Felipe Hunt Ortiz, Officer-in-Charge, ILO Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean <p><i>Presenters:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Mr. Diego Rei, Employment and Labour Market Specialist, ILO Caribbean (Presentation: Defining Employment)○ Mr Roland Haggins, CARICOM Director, Aion Foundation, Barbados (digital economy)○ Ms Maria Arteta, Senior Gender Specialist for Central America and Panama, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Mexico and Cuba , ILO San José (care economy)○ Dr Diana Thorburn, Director, Caribbean Policy Research Institute (CaPRI), Jamaica (care economy)○ Ms Ana Sanchez, Green Jobs Specialist, RO-Latin America and the Caribbean, ILO Mexico (green/blue economy)○ Mr David Staples, Director, Williams Industries Inc., Barbados (green/blue economy) |

15.00 – 17.30

Jobs and future of work (cont'd)

• **World Café to chart a way forward**

(The coffee break will be integrated in the session)

Table Digital economy

Moderator: Mr Roland Haggins

- Table Host: The Honourable Steadroy C. Benjamin, Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs, Public Safety and Labour, Antigua and Barbuda

Table Green/blue economy

Moderators: Mr David Staples; and Ms Ana Sanchez

- Table Host: The Honourable Kirk Humphrey, Minister of Maritime Affairs and the Blue Economy, Barbados

Table Care economy

Moderators: Dr Diana Thorburn; and Ms Maria Arteta

- Table Host: The Honourable Shahine Robinson, Minister of Labour and Social Security, Jamaica

18.00 – 20.00

Cocktail reception - hosted by the Government of Barbados and the International Labour Office

Wednesday 15 May

08.00 – 9.00

Breakfast meeting

Closed session for Ministers / Heads of Delegations (CARICOM)

9.00 – 11.00

Adapting institutions of work

• **Ministers will share experience with new emerging forms of employment and how best the institutions of work can adapt to it**

Moderator: Ms Toni Thorne, Journalist

ILO Presentation: Mr. Shingo Miyake, Specialist for Labour Law and International Labour Standards, ILO Caribbean

Panel members:

- Senator the Honourable Dr Carla Barnett, Minister of Labour, Local Government and Rural Development, Belize
- The Honourable Stephenson King, Minister of Infrastructure, Ports Energy and Labour, Saint Lucia
- Senator the Honourable Jennifer Baptiste- Primus, Minister of Labour and Small Enterprise Development, Trinidad and Tobago

11.00 – 11.30

Coffee break

11.30 – 13.00

Fair share of progress for all

- **The session will explore what Governments, social dialogue and existing tripartite bodies can do to articulate a renewed social contract**

Moderator: Her Honour Deborah Thomas-Felix, President, Industrial Court, Trinidad and Tobago

First round of participants in Fishbowl:

- The Honourable Keith Scott, Minister of Social Protection with responsibility for Labour, Guyana
- The Honourable Vance Amory, Minister of Labour, Saint Kitts and Nevis
- Ms Lima Cooper-Frederick, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Labour, Grenada
- Representative from CEC
- Representative from and CCL

13.00 – 14.30

Lunch

14.30 – 15.30

108th International Labour Conference, Geneva, June 2019

- **Presentation of ILC and topics, including new labour standard on violence and harassment in the world of work (second discussion)**

15.30 – 17.00

Final outcome document

- **Discussion and adoption**

Chair: The Honourable Colin Jordan, Minister of Labour and Social Partnership Relations, Barbados; and Ms Claudia Coenjaerts, Director, ILO Decent Work Team and Office for the Caribbean

17.00 – 17.30

Closing