Pacific Tripartite High Level Forum on Climate Change and Decent Work in the Pacific

Recommendations from the Government Group Discussion

PNG, Port Moresby, 24-27 July 2019
Revisit the thematic discussions of the technical sessions on

i. SDGs
ii. Digitalisation
iii. Labour Migration
iv. Climate Change
v. Including another other agendas linking to a Future of Work

Question 1: What action should be taken for the implementation of the above-said topics within the context of the ILO Centenary Declaration:

I. By individual constituents
II. Tripartite / bipartite action at national level
III. Regional action in the Pacific
IV. To the ILO
Question 2:
Based on the Centenary Declaration and the HLF discussions, what next step you can commit to take forward?
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<td>• Samoa: Strengthen efforts on implementation of the National Development Strategy (NDS) 2016-2021, including SDGs and digitalization</td>
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<td>• Tuvalu: Strengthen efforts on implementation of the NDC 2016-2020, incl. SDGs</td>
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<td>• Palau: internalizing SDGs</td>
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<td>• Kiribati: Capacity building and work with partners; request for TA to achieve KV20 targets</td>
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<td>• SI: NDS 2016-2035, SDG aligned and MTDP exist, need to implement WP. Focus on growth areas</td>
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<td>• Fiji: Strengthen efforts on SDG8; review of the VNR report submitted in 2019 for future actions; invest in institutions of labour; revision of current labour legislations; review of Strategic Development Plan, including annual operational plans in the new centenary, considering the ILO Centenary Declaration</td>
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<td>• PNG: Strengthen efforts on implementation of the NSD Plan for 30 years, incl. SDGs; MTDP for 5 years, aligned with current Government. MoL: review of LL acts as a priority</td>
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<td>• Vanuatu: Strengthen efforts on implementation of the National SDP (“People’s Plan 2015 – 2030”); Labour Force Survey in 2020 is a priority.</td>
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| 2 | Digitalization | National / ILO | Tuvalu: Development of D. policy (far away behind now)  
Kiribati: Capacity building and strengthening Internet access  
SI: cable is coming soon, communication and services will change; digitalization of payments  
Palau: Development of the specific strategy for labour  
Fiji: Development of digital records; e-cash payments (through bank accounts), the setup and improvement of Labour Management Information System (LMIS)  
Vanuatu: Develop employment database (e-filing) |
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| 3 | Labour Mobility | National / ILO | Vanuatu: Review of SEA  
SI: LM is with the foreign affairs; policy is drafted, which will guide labour migration actions; develop arrangements with employers in NZ for money-savings schemes  
Fiji: Social protection for workers sent abroad, including through NPF. Fiji volunteer program: receiving impact assessment reports from countries  
Palau: Further strengthening of data collection for better development of policies  
Tuvalu: Proper data management; skills development for informal sector workers  
Kiribati: Strengthen ability to negotiate for favourable working conditions with employers in receiving countries (wage, accommodation) |
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| 4 | Climate Change | • Nationally / ILO support  
  • National | • Kiribati: Strengthening partnerships with communities and private sector; strengthening community task forces  
  • SI: Cl. Ch. Issues are included in National Strategy. Standing committee – study will provide recommendations for specific actions  
  • National |  
  • Palau: Partnership with international organizations on issues of Climate Change; develop policies that incentivize green jobs  
  • National |  
  • PNG: Climate Change Act is in review, including the NDCs. Need to speed actions, which are slow now; sustainability of logging export.  
  • National |  
  • Tuvalu: Green jobs development  
  • National |
| 5 | Other Issues | • National / ILO  
  • National / ILO / regional  
  • National / donor  
  • National / ILO | • CI: Transition from informal to formal economy  
  • Vanuatu: Review of ERA; capacity building of labour officers (MEPIR experience on arbitration)  
  • Kiribati: Lack of access to finances  
  • PNG: Labour law reforms; transition from informal to formal economy; development of social protection  
  • National / ILO |  
  • Samoa: Promotion of the Convention on violence and harassment at work; development of labour staff and tripartite partners  
  • ILO support |  
  • SI: Review of legislation; LAB – capacity development
Question 2: Based on the Centenary Declaration and the HLF discussions, what next step you can commit to take forward?

• PNG: Committed to learn from other countries in the region
• Fiji: Committed to life-learning and quality education for all – skill for jobs, strengthening technical colleges
• Samoa: Committed to all thematic areas discussed, confirm to work on all of them
• Vanuatu: Complete review of current labour legislation and Labour Mobility Policy and share experience on Labour Mobility with other Pacific countries; improve labour survey and data collection; ratify ILO governance conventions
• Kiribati: Continue exploring / finding green jobs for unemployed youth; awareness on work-related safety at the workplace and eradication of harassment
• CI: Committed to develop DWCP and supporting the BP BOS platform
• SI: DWCP to complete; ratify C.144
• Tuvalu: Learn from other leading sending countries in the region on labour mobility

Regional level:
• BP BOS: Support from the ILO on thematic areas
• LL reviews