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**Vision Zero Fund High Level Forum**  
**“2021 and Beyond: Collective Action for Safe and Healthy Supply Chains”**  
*23-25 February 2021*

Speakers bios (v.02/22/2021)

*Note: Bios can be accessed by clicking on the speakers' names.*

**DAY 1: 23 February**

**High-level plenary 1:**  
**Occupational safety and health in global supply chains in times of COVID-19**  
**12h00-13h30 CET**

*What impact has the COVID-19 pandemic had on safety and health at work, and what opportunities does it present to improve workers' safety and health in global supply chains?*

**SPEAKERS**



**Mr. Guy Ryder**, Director-General, International Labour Organization (ILO)



**Mr. Hubertus Heil**, Minister of Labour and Social Affairs, Germany



**Dr. Ergogie Tesfaye**, Minister of Labour and Social Affairs, Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia



**Mr. Roberto Suárez Santos**, Secretary-General, International Organization of Employers (IOE)



**Mr. Owen Tudor**, Deputy General-Secretary, International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)



**Moderator: Ms. Conny Czymoch**, Independent international moderator and journalist

**Workshop 1:**  
**Vision Zero Fund - achievements, challenges, and future plans**  
**14h00-15h30 CET**

*What are VZF's main achievements and challenges to date? What are the opportunities for collaboration with the VZF at global and country levels?*

**SPEAKERS**



**Mr. Jerson Razafimanantsoa**, Director General of Labour and Social Laws, Ministry of Labour, Employment, Civil Service and Social Laws, Madagascar

Mr. Razafimanantsoa is a jurist and a labour inspector trained at the National School of Administration of Madagascar. He has 15 years of experience in Labour Administration. Since 2019, he is the General Director of Labour and Social Laws. He coordinates the activities of all the Labour Inspectors in Madagascar.



**Mr. Gustavo Rafael Solórzano Díaz**, Lawyer, Honduran Private Enterprise Council



**Ms. Maura Patricia Hernandez Tapia**, Programme Coordinator, Confederation of Mexican Workers (CTM)

Ms. Hernandez Tapia has 18 years of experience working with trade unions in the 32 states of the Mexican Republic. She is an external collaborator of the ILO in Mexico working on different training programmes with the CTM. She is expert in workers' education and the Focal Point of the CTM in the VZF Programme in Mexico.



**Mr. Mark Mittelhauser**, Associate Deputy Undersecretary for International Affairs, U.S. Department of Labour



**Mr. Ockert Dupper**, Global Programme Manager, VZF, ILO.



**Moderator: Ms. Rie Vejs-Kjeldgaard**, Director, Partnerships and Development Cooperation Department, ILO

## **DAY 2: 24 February**

### **Regional discussion 1:**

**How can improved safety and health facilitate access to global supply chains? The VZF experience in Asia**  
**09h30-11h00 CET**

### **SPEAKERS**



**Ms. Tran Thi Lan Anh**, Deputy Secretary General of VCCI Vietnam is the Deputy Secretary General of the Vietnam Chamber of Industry and Commerce (VCCI) and Director General of the Bureau of Employers' Activities. She has worked extensively on trade and business facilitation, esp. SME development. In addition, she has spent more than 10 years managing various ILO technical cooperation projects to support the business community. She holds a Master Degree in Development Practice and a B.A. in Economics.

**Mr. Sengchanh Khammountha**, Vice President, Lao Coffee Association

**Ms. Thai Quynh Mai Dung**, Director General, International Relations Department, Vietnam General Confederation of Labour (VGCL), Vietnam

**Ms. Shruti Patidar**, Regional Land and Freedom Officer, IUF Asia and Pacific



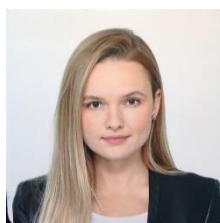
**Ms. Marian Boquiren**, Value Chain Development Specialist

Ms. Boquiren is a researcher and value chain/market systems development specialist. Since 2012, she has been an external collaborator with the ILO in various projects related to occupational safety and health, child labour, business development services, and cooperatives. Marian has worked with the VZF teams in Laos and Myanmar.



**Ms. Mariana Infante Villarroel**, Senior Technical Officer, VZF Myanmar, ILO

Mariana is a Senior Technical Officer at the ILO Yangon Liaison Office, managing VZF Myanmar since 2017. Before joining the ILO, she worked for the World Bank focusing on Myanmar and Cambodia, and consulted for the Asian Development Bank and the United Nations Development Programme. Mariana holds a degree in Economics and a Masters in Development and Planning/Urban Economic Development.



**Kallene Ryan**, Researcher and Monitoring and Evaluation Specialist, True North Research Group

Ms. Ryan is a global development consultant working on public and private sector initiatives across Asia, Africa and the U.S. In Myanmar, she served as the Director of an INGO implementing value chain programmes. She is working with the VZF in Myanmar on an Outcomes and Practices Assessment focusing on the ginger and garment global supply chains.

**Kristina Kurths**, Chief Technical Advisor, VZF Lao PDR and Vietnam, ILO

**Moderator: Rene Robert**, Specialist in Labour Administration and Labour Inspection, ILO Decent Work Team for East and South-East Asia and the Pacific

**Regional discussion 2:**  
**Systematic approach to strengthen OSH institutions for sustained improvements  
in OSH practices: VZF experiences from the garment sector in Africa**  
**12h00-13h30 CET**

*How can collective action drive sustainable improvements in OSH institutions?*

**SPEAKERS**

**Ms. Hanitra Fitiavana Razakaboana**, Regional Director of Labor, Employment, Public Service and Social Laws Analamanga, Madagascar

Ms. Razakaboana is inspector of Labour and Social Laws and Regional Director of the Labour Inspectorate in Antananarivo, Madagascar. She is also a Member of the Occupational Safety and Health Task Force of the VZF project and Coordinator of field activities in her region allowing a significant breakthrough in the fight against COVID 19 in the informal sector.

**Ms. Béatrice Chan Ching Yiu**, Vice-president of GEFP and Member of Grouping of Companies of Madagascar (GEM)

Ms. Chan Ching Yiu is Vice-President of the *Groupement des Entreprises Franches et Partenaires* (GEFP) and chair of the *Commission Sociale*, and president of the *Commission Sociale of the Groupement des Entreprises de Madagascar* (GEM). She actively participates in ILO activities and sits on the Boards of the *Caisse Nationale de Prévoyance Sociale* and of the *Organisation Sanitaire Tananarivienne Inter-Entreprises*.

**Mr. Botoudi Emi Henri**, National Coordinator of CTM, Madagascar

Mr. Botoudi is General Coordinator of the *Conférence des Travailleurs de Madagascar* (CTM) and General Secretary of *SENDIKA KRISTIANINA MALAGASY* (SEKRIMA). He is also a member of several labour organizations (National Labour Council, National Office for the fight against human trafficking, Board of the National Institute of Labour, Board of the Malagasy Fund for Vocational Training, and Alliance 8.7).

**Mr. Fikadu Gebru**, Director, Harmonious Industrial Relation Directorate, Ministry of Labour & Social Affairs, Bureau of Labour and Social Affairs, Ethiopia

**Mr. Dawit Moges**, Vice-President, Ethiopian Employers' Federation

Mr. Moges holds Masters in Economics and Public Health and is a Ph.D candidate. Currently, he serves as President of the Ethiopian Employers' Federation (EEF) and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President of the Confederation of Ethiopian Employers' Federation (CEEF).

At regional level, he assumes a position as Secretary-General of the Confederation of IGAD Employers' (CIE).

**Mr. Angessom Yohannes**, President, Industrial Federation of Ethiopian Textile, Leather and Garment Worker Trade Union

**Moderators:** Ana Catalina Ramirez, Frédéric Laisné-Auer, Evans Lwanga, and Bernard Foe Andegue

**Ms. Ana Catalina Ramirez**, Technical Specialist, Occupational Safety and Health, ILO

Ms. Ramirez holds a Sociology degree and a Master degree on Occupational Safety and Health (OSH). She worked with the ILO for Central America, Haiti and Dominican Republic for 10 years. In 2018, she joined the LABADMIN/OSH Branch of the ILO, where she serves as Technical Specialist on OSH, providing technical backstopping to the VZF projects in Madagascar and Latin America.

**Mr. Frédéric Laisné-Auer**, Technical Specialist, Labour Inspection, ILO

Mr. Laisné-Auer is an ILO specialist on Labour Administration and Inspection, as well as Occupational Safety and Health. He is involved in strengthening institutional services and capacity of labour stakeholders. He has been very much involved in the VZF project in Madagascar and was previously Director of Labour in France.

**Mr. Evans Lwanga**, Technical Officer, VZF, ILO

Mr. Lwanga holds a Master of Science Degree in Strategic Management. He has worked for the ILO on various projects for over 13 years. In 2019, he joined the VZF Ethiopia Programme as Technical Officer responsible for coordinating Occupational Safety and Health activities under the Programme "Advancing Decent Work and Inclusive Industrialization in Ethiopia".

**Bernard Foe Andegue**, Technical Officer, VZF, ILO

Mr. Foe Andegue joined the ILO in November 2020 as a Technical Officer on Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) for the VZF project in Madagascar. He previously worked as an OSH / environmental specialist with companies in Cameroon where he was also an OSH and environment trainer/lecturer.

### Regional discussion 3:

## Challenges and opportunities for improving workers' OSH in the coffee global supply chain: The experience of Colombia, Honduras and Mexico 17h00-18h30 CET

### SPEAKERS



*Opening remarks:* **Mr. Sebastian Zaleski, Council**, Economic and Trade Division, European Union Delegation to Mexico



**Ms. Ligia Stella Chaves Ortiz**, Vice Minister of Labour Relations, Ministry of Labour, Colombia

Ms. Chaves Ortiz is a specialized lawyer with a Master's degree in Administrative Law. She has served as Regional Director of the National Savings Fund in Valle del Cauca, Provincial Comptroller of Valle del Cauca and Secretary of Social Housing and Habitat of Cali, among others. She is now the new Vice-Minister of Labour Relations and Inspection.



**Mr. Santiago Argüello Campos**, Director of the Promotion of Agriculture Unit, Secretary of Agriculture, Mexico

Mr. Argüello Campos is a coffee producer with more than 20 years of experience in the agri-food sector. He has contributed to the development and implementation of public and private policies on good agricultural practices and labour safety to strengthen different supply chains.





**Ms. Ligia Helena Borrero Restrepo**, Legal Director, National Federation of Coffee Growers of Colombia.

Ms. Borrero Restrepo is a lawyer specialized in economic sciences, and in private and corporate law. She is an expert in social security and holds an MA in social security. She has over thirty years of experience in public and private functions, including in the financial and coffee sector, and in regulation, supervision and control.



**Mr. José Luis Barradas Cessa**, Director of Occupational Safety at Fincas Familia Rogers

Mr. Barradas Cessa is an agronomist engineer specialized in rural development and occupational safety. He has experience working in sustainable certifications, sustainable development and occupational safety and health, and with the ILO on occupational health and safety in coffee production and processing in Mexico.



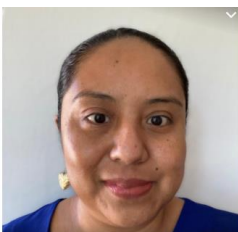
**Mr. José Julio Espinosa Morales**, National Peasant Confederation, Mexico

Mr. Espinosa Morales is a coffee producer in the region of Huatusco, Veracruz. He is President of the National Union of Coffee Producers (CNC) and President of the State Council of Coffee Producers of Veracruz. He is also an interlocutor and mediator between small producers and the Government at different levels.



**Mr. Joel Almendares**, General Secretary, Unitary Central of Workers (CUTH), Honduras

Mr. Almendares is the General Secretary of the Confederación Unitaria de Trabajadores de Honduras (CUTH) and an education worker.



**Ms. Pilar Cariño**, Researcher and global supply chain specialist

Ms. Cariño is an independent consultant on decent work issues, former civil servant, teacher and entrepreneur. She collaborates with the ILO as a regional consultant. She participated as a specialist in the systemic analysis of value chains in the studies of drivers and constraints for OSH improvement in Mexico and Honduras carried out within the framework of the VZF.



**Mr. Carlos Ariel García**, Center for Regional Coffee Growers and Business Studies (CRECE)

Mr. García is Project Director at the Center for Regional Coffee Growers and Business Studies (CRECE). He is a Senior researcher, specialized in Economic Policy. He has led studies on the coffee economy, the impact of public policies, labor market and child labor. He collaborated with the ILO in studies on OSH in the coffee value chain.



*Closing remarks:* **Renato Bignami**, OSH Specialist, ILO Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean

Mr. Bignami is the occupational safety and health specialist for the ILO Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean.



**Moderator: Mr. Rodrigo Mogrovejo**, Senior Technical Advisor, VZF, ILO

Mr. Mogrovejo joined the ILO in 2011 and was country coordinator at the ILO Project Office in Bolivia. He has extensive experience in OSH, labour conditions, value chains and enterprise development. He holds a PhD in Development and Cooperation and Master's degrees in the fields of Development, Social Economy, and International Aid. He was also a civil servant and researcher in Latin America and Europe.

## DAY 3: 25 February

### Workshop 2: Improving occupational safety and health in global supply chains 12h00-13h30 CET

*What works to secure safe and healthy working conditions in global supply chains?*

#### SPEAKERS

**Mr. Antonio Cammarota**, Principal Administrator, DG EMPL/B3, European Commission



**Mr. Omar Nacib Estefan Fuentes**, Director General for Social Welfare, Secretary of Labour and Social Welfare, Mexico



**Mr. Matthias Thorns**, Deputy Secretary-General, International Organization of Employers

**Sittichoke Huckuntod**, Director, Health, Safety and Environment (HSE), Nike

**Mr. Paapi Kwasi Danquah**, Legal Officer, International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)

**Mr. Glen Mpufane**, Director of Mining, Diamond, Gem, Ornament and Jewellery Processing, Industri ALL



**Moderator: Ms. Githa Roelans**, Chief, Multinational Enterprises and Enterprise Engagement Unit, ILO

**High-level plenary 2:**  
**Collective action for safe and healthy supply chains: how can we collectively  
improve OSH in GSCs under the auspices of the VZF over the next 3-5 years?**  
**14h00-15h30 CET**

*How can the VZF's collective action approach support efforts to improve OSH in GSCs?*

**SPEAKERS**



**Ms. Martha E. Newton**, Deputy Director-General for Policy,  
International Labour Organization (ILO)



**Ms. Anousheh Karvar**, Representative of the French  
Government to the ILO, Labour and Employment Senior Task  
Officer to G7-G20



**Dr. Ralf Franke**, Global Head of Environmental, Protection,  
Health and Safety Department, Siemens



**Mr. Kris de Meester**, Senior Adviser, Federation of Enterprises,  
Belgium



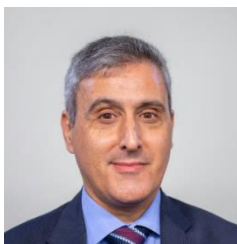
**Mr. Rory O'Neill**, Occupational Health and Safety Adviser,  
International Trade Union Confederation



**Ms Sue Longley**, General Secretary, IUF



**Mr. Alan Stevens**, Director of Strategic Engagement, Institution of Occupational Safety and Health (IOSH)



**Moderator: Mr. Joaquim Pintado-Nunes**, Chief, Labour Administration, Labour Inspection and Occupational Safety and Health, ILO

*Closing remarks and thanks:*



**Ms. Vera Paquete-Perdigao**, Director, Governance and Tripartism Department, ILO