

## UNFCCC COP24, Katowice, Poland

ILO event at NDC partnership pavilion, Friday 7 December 15:00 – 16:15

### Powering a just transition to climate-resilient economies and societies for all

#### Background

A transition towards low-carbon and climate-resilient economies will impact countries in several ways, with potentially positive and negative effects. The Paris Agreement on climate change recognizes the need to address all these effects so that no one is left behind in the fight against climate change, noting “the imperatives of a just transition of the workforce and the creation of decent work and quality jobs in accordance with nationally defined development priorities”.

Well managed, a just transition to climate-resilient development pathways can become a driver for economic growth, job creation, job upgrading, and poverty eradication, allowing climate and social justice for all and promoting, protecting and fulfilling human rights for all. Inversely, failing to address social impacts from economic and industrial restructuring could contribute to job losses, social exclusion and disruption on a massive scale.

#### Objective

- To demonstrate that climate action can be a driver for inclusive growth, job creation, rights and social justice, showcasing country experiences on just transition planning and policies with the engagement of governments and social partners and opportunities for international cooperation.
- To examine the nature and scale of expected and ongoing structural transformations impacting enterprises, workers and communities.
- To discuss practical means through the NDC formulation and implementation to achieve a just transition for all and consider policy frameworks that countries can employ.

#### Questions for discussion

- Which participatory processes and **assessment tools** are required in the NDC formulation and implementation to reflect and protect employers’ and workers’ interests?
- What is the role of the **private sector** and **unions**?
- How can NDC’s ensure that employment opportunities are maximised, losses minimized and those **socially protected** who face restructuring?
- What is the role of human capital, **skills, training and education systems** in NDC formulation and implementation?
- What policies and initiatives are needed as part of the NDC’s to ensure a just transition for workers, enterprises and communities?
- What successful experiences exist to draw upon to make NDC formulation participatory and NDC implementation successful in ensuring a just transition for all leaving no one behind?

### **Moderator**

- Moustapha Kamal Gueye, Green Jobs Programme Coordinator, ILO

### **Speakers**

- Catherine Saget, ILO Research Department
- Speaker to be nominated, ITUC
- Emily Hickson, B Team, WBCSD
- Fred Machulu, Climate negotiator Uganda
- Mr Jerome Ilagan, Chief, Policy Research and Development Division, Climate Change Commissioner Philippines (TBC)
- Petrus Muteyauli, Climate negotiator Namibia (TBC)
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