The ILO-European Union project “Assessing and Addressing the Impact of Trade on Employment” was presented in a session at UNCTAD’s “Para 166” flagship training course in which government officials from different ministries and researchers from Indonesia, Bangladesh (another pilot country of the project) and other Asian countries participated. Some of ILO’s other work on trade and employment has also been presented. The discussion on the effects of trade on employment and the approach to assess and address the link under the ILO-EU project received a lot of attention and triggered a lively debate about opportunities and challenges of trade, foreign direct investment and regional integration in Asia.