



# Governing Body

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## Composition, agenda and programme of standing bodies and meetings

### ▶ Part I. Composition and agenda of standing bodies and meetings

#### Technical meeting on digitalization in the retail sector as an engine for economic recovery and decent work (Geneva, 25–29 September 2023)

1. At its 346th Session (October–November 2022), the Governing Body approved the list of official international organizations and non-governmental organizations <sup>1</sup> to be invited as observers to the technical meeting. In addition to the already approved list, it is proposed that the International Transport Workers' Federation (ITF) be invited to the technical meeting as an observer.

#### Meeting of experts to update and adopt the 1998 ILO code of practice on safety and health in forestry work (Geneva, 13–17 May 2024)

2. At its 347th Session (March 2023), the Governing Body approved the holding of a meeting of experts to update the 1998 ILO code of practice on safety and health in forestry work. <sup>2</sup> It is

<sup>1</sup> GB.346/INS/19.

<sup>2</sup> GB.347/POL/2.

proposed that the meeting of experts be held from 13 to 17 May 2024 and be composed of eight experts nominated by governments, eight experts nominated by the Employers' group of the Governing Body, and eight experts nominated by the Workers' group of the Governing Body.

3. Following consultations with the regional coordinators, it is proposed that the governments from the following countries be invited to nominate an expert: Brazil, Finland, Indonesia, New Zealand, South Africa, Spain, United Republic of Tanzania and the United States of America. Should any of these governments fail to nominate an expert, a government from the reserve list <sup>3</sup> will be invited to do so. All other governments will be invited to nominate one observer to the meeting.
4. The Officers of the Governing Body recommend that the Governing Body endorse the list of Member States whose governments are invited to nominate experts to the meeting.

## ▶ Part II. Programme of ILO official meetings for the remainder of 2023 and advance information for 2024 (subject to further Governing Body decisions)

Date	Title of meeting	Place
<b>2023</b>		
11–16 September	Eighth Meeting of the Standards Review Mechanism Tripartite Working Group	Geneva
18–20 September	Workers' Symposium: New Approaches to Workers' Education for Trade Union Revitalization	Virtual
25–29 September	Technical Meeting on Digitalization in the Retail Sector as an Engine for Economic Recovery and Decent Work	Geneva
11–20 October	21st International Conference of Labour Statisticians	Geneva
26–27 October	Board of the International Training Centre of the ILO	Turin
26–27 October	Committee on Freedom of Association	Geneva
30 October–9 or 10 November <sup>1</sup>	349th Session of the Governing Body	Geneva
20–24 November	Technical Meeting on Decent and Sustainable Work in the Inland Waterways Sector	Geneva
27 November–9 December	Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations	Geneva

<sup>3</sup> The list of governments in reserve: Argentina, Australia, Canada, China, Democratic Republic of the Congo, France, Kenya and Sweden.

Date	Title of meeting	Place
<b>2024</b>		
First quarter <sup>2</sup>	Second Meeting of the Joint ILO–IMO Tripartite Working Group to Identify and Address Seafarers’ Issues and the Human Element	To be confirmed
First quarter	Meeting of Experts to produce Joint ILO–IMO Guidelines for Medical Examination of Fishers	Geneva
29 February–1 March	Committee on Freedom of Association	Geneva
4–14 or 15 March <sup>1</sup>	350th Session of the Governing Body	Geneva
13–17 May <sup>3</sup>	Meeting of experts to update and adopt the 1998 ILO code of practice on safety and health in forestry work	Geneva
Date tbc	Committee on Freedom of Association	Geneva
Date tbc	112th Session of the International Labour Conference	Geneva
Date tbc	351st Session of the Governing Body	Geneva
October	Joint ILO–UNESCO Committee of Experts on the Application of the Recommendations concerning Teaching Personnel (CEART)	Paris
24–25 October	Board of the International Training Centre of the ILO	Turin
24–25 October	Committee on Freedom of Association	Geneva
28 October–7 November	352nd Session of the Governing Body	Geneva
25 November–7 December	Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations	Geneva
Last quarter	Third meeting of the Joint ILO–IMO Tripartite Working Group to Identify and Address Seafarers’ Issues and the Human Element	To be confirmed
<b>2025</b>		
7–11 April <sup>4</sup>	Fifth Meeting of the Special Tripartite Committee established under the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, as amended (MLC, 2006)	Geneva
First half	Subcommittee on Wages of Seafarers of the Joint Maritime Commission	Geneva

<sup>1</sup> The decision on the ending date will be taken at a later stage.

<sup>2</sup> Deferred from the last quarter of 2023.

<sup>3</sup> Subject to the decision taken by the Governing Body at its 348th Session (June 2023).

<sup>4</sup> Further to the decision taken by the Governing Body at its 346th Session (GB.346/PV, para. 885(e)).

5. The Officers of the Governing Body approved the programme of meetings for the remainder of 2023 and for 2024.

## ► Draft decision

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6. **The Governing Body, upon the recommendation of its Officers:**
  - (a) **approved the date of the meeting of experts to update and adopt the 1998 ILO code of practice on safety and health in forestry work and the list of Member States to be invited to nominate experts to participate in the meeting;**
  - (b) **endorsed the proposal to invite the International Transport Workers' Federation (ITF) as an observer to the technical meeting on digitalization in the retail sector as an engine for economic recovery and decent work;**
  - (c) **took note of the programme of meetings contained in Part II of document GB.348/INS/7, subject to further Governing Body decisions.**