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Paraguay-Argentina Bi-national Workshop on Decent Work for Migrant Domestic Workers

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A bi-national meeting entitled “Building a Labour Strategy for Decent Work of Migrant Domestic Workers” was conducted in Santiago de Chile on 20-21 of September. The meeting was organized in the framework of the EU funded ILO Global Action Programme on Migrant Domestic Workers and their Families (GAP-MDW) together with the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) and the International Federation of Domestic Workers (IDWF) in collaboration with the Latin American and Caribbean Confederation of Domestic Workers (CONLACTRAHO).

The aim of the workshop was to establish a joint working agenda between Argentina and Paraguay and an action plan on migration in order to promote decent work for migrant domestic workers. In this context, the workshop was concentrating on organizational strategies leading to the development of a bi-national trade union action plan for the migration corridor Paraguay-Argentina in order to promote decent work for migrant domestic workers.

The main outcome of the workshop was signing a bi-national agreement aiming at promotion of a decent work for migrant domestic workers coming from Paraguay to Argentina. Under this agreement an action plan for the next 15 months was established. It will be implemented in coordination with the Trade Union Confederation of the Americas and the International Federation of Domestic Workers with a support of the ILO. According to the action plan, a Union Network will be established via internet and communication strategy will be developed in order to promote the knowledge and exercise the rights of domestic workers and migrants. The strategy will also include the adoption of the ITUC 12+12 campaign, which in Latin America is focused on “Work like no other, rights as any other”, with an exchange of materials and information on domestic workers in Argentina and Paraguay, using the social network tools to facilitate communication. The agreement envisages as well the intention to strengthen the union of domestic workers and their alliances with the labour union confederations through trainings, bi-national meetings and exchanges of good practices.

