The Centenary of Convention No. 1: A landmark for workers’ rights

Brief description
Join us for a centenary event celebrating the key role of the ILO in the promotion of the 8-hour working day. ILO Convention No. 1 passed in 1919 enshrined in international law the long-held trade union objective of the 8-hour working day. Dr Gerhard Bosch, one of the foremost working time experts, will present the keynote speech on the impact of the ILO hours of work convention on national legislation, the resulting trends over the past century and future developments anticipated regarding working time in the world of work.

Date: 14th November 2019
Time: 17:00–18:30 (Reception to follow)
Location: Room XI, ILO Headquarters, Geneva
Keynote speaker: Dr Gerhard Bosch – Professor in industrial and economic sociology, University of Duisburg-Essen
Introduction and Chair: Manuela Tomei – Director of the Conditions of Work and Equality Department (WORKQUALITY), ILO

Programme
- Opening remarks: Manuela Tomei
- Video on key events leading to the adoption of Convention No. 1
- Keynote speech by Gerhard Bosch on the impact of Convention No. 1 on working hours globally over the past 100 years
- Comments from worker and employer representatives
- Q&A