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TO THE MINISTERS OF LABOUR  
OF MEMBER STATES OF THE  
INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANIZATION

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7 October 2022

**17th Asia and the Pacific Regional Meeting  
(Singapore, 6-9 December 2022)**

Dear Minister,

I refer to the letter sent on 25 May 2022 inviting your country to be represented by a tripartite delegation at the 17th Asia and the Pacific Regional Meeting (APRM) of the International Labour Organization (ILO), which will be hosted by the Government of the Republic of Singapore.

***Programme of work***

The provisional programme for the APRM, as well as a *Guide to the Regional Meeting* providing practical information and other details on the event have been posted on the [Regional Meeting website](#).

The report that has been prepared for the APRM, entitled *Renewed social justice for a human-centred recovery*, is also available on the [website](#).

The programme allows time for the discussion of the Director-General's report in plenary, four thematic panels on topics of particular importance for the region, and two special sessions.

***Statements in plenary***

The plenary sittings to discuss the report of the Director-General will take place on 6 and 7 December 2022. Accredited delegates wishing to deliver a statement (**maximum five-minute duration**) during the plenary discussion can send their request, between **16 November** and **6 December**, by email to [plenaryspeeches@ilo.org](mailto:plenaryspeeches@ilo.org).

***Credentials***

The accreditation of APRM participants will be done through a [password-protected online accreditation system](#). The individual login and password for each delegation will be sent separately through the Permanent Missions of Member States. The Office would be grateful if all efforts could be made to submit the credentials of your country's delegation as early as possible, and at the very latest by **Tuesday, 15 November 2022**. Any queries about credentials may be submitted to the Office of the Legal Adviser by email to [credentials@ilo.org](mailto:credentials@ilo.org).

I would like to reiterate the call asking governments and national organizations of employers and workers to redouble their efforts to improve the participation of women in ILO official meetings. As shown in the infographic attached, only 27.9 per cent of delegates at the previous Asia and the Pacific Regional Meeting were women. I therefore make a strong personal call to you to do everything possible to achieve **gender parity** at the upcoming APRM.

### ***Travel***

Once accredited to the APRM, delegations should consult the [Singaporean Immigration & Checkpoints Authority](#) (ICA) website to determine their visa requirements. Further information on visas can be found in the *Guide to the Regional Meeting*. Furthermore, all participants must also fill out a SG Arrival Card three days before arrival.

Please note that the ILO does not provide insurance coverage for accident or illness to any participants while travelling to or from Singapore or during the APRM. It is therefore essential that all participants ensure that they have adequate insurance coverage in respect of illness and accident before travelling to Singapore, as well as all the necessary vaccinations. Participants are reminded that they should only travel if they are in good health.

The APRM will be organized as a physical, face-to-face meeting, in line with the practice of previous Regional Meetings. Invited Member States are expected to be represented by fully tripartite delegations attending the meeting in person. However, in view of COVID-related developments and travel restrictions, remote connectivity will exceptionally be made available for those invitees unable to be physically present in Singapore. For full details on remote connectivity, please refer to the *Guide to the Regional Meeting*.

Any queries may be addressed to the APRM Secretariat at [aprm@ilo.org](mailto:aprm@ilo.org).

I very much look forward to welcoming you and your national tripartite delegation to this important Asia and the Pacific Regional Meeting in Singapore.

Yours sincerely,

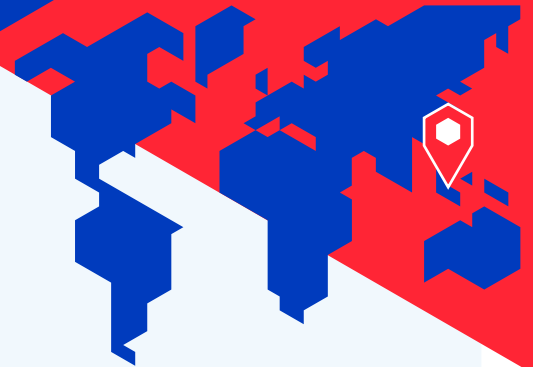
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Gilbert F. Hougbo  
Director-General

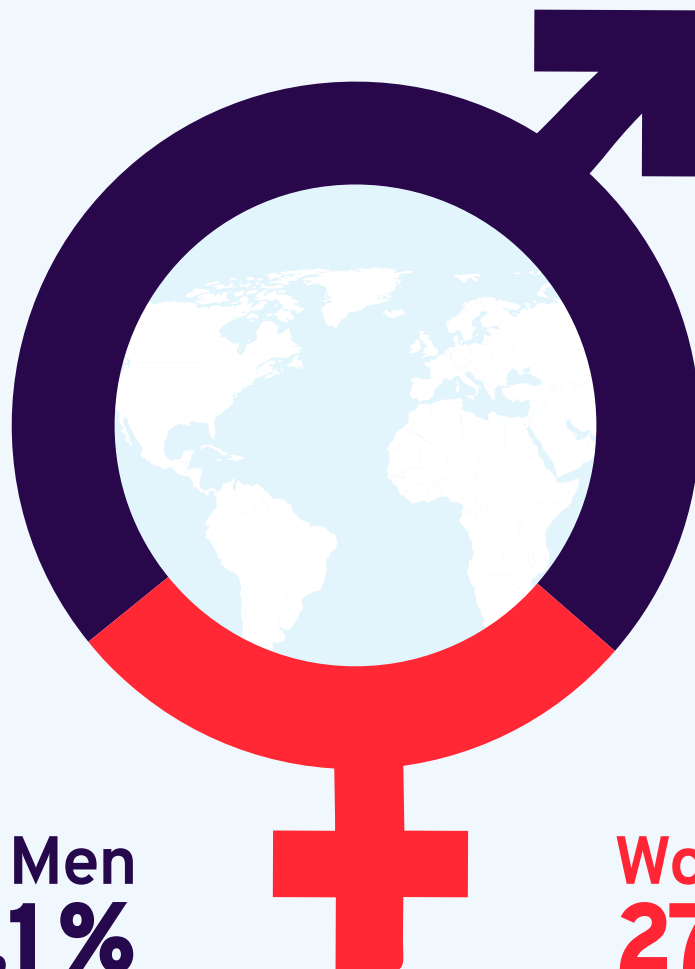


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# ▶ Gender Parity at the 16th Asia and the Pacific Regional Meeting in Bali, Indonesia 2016



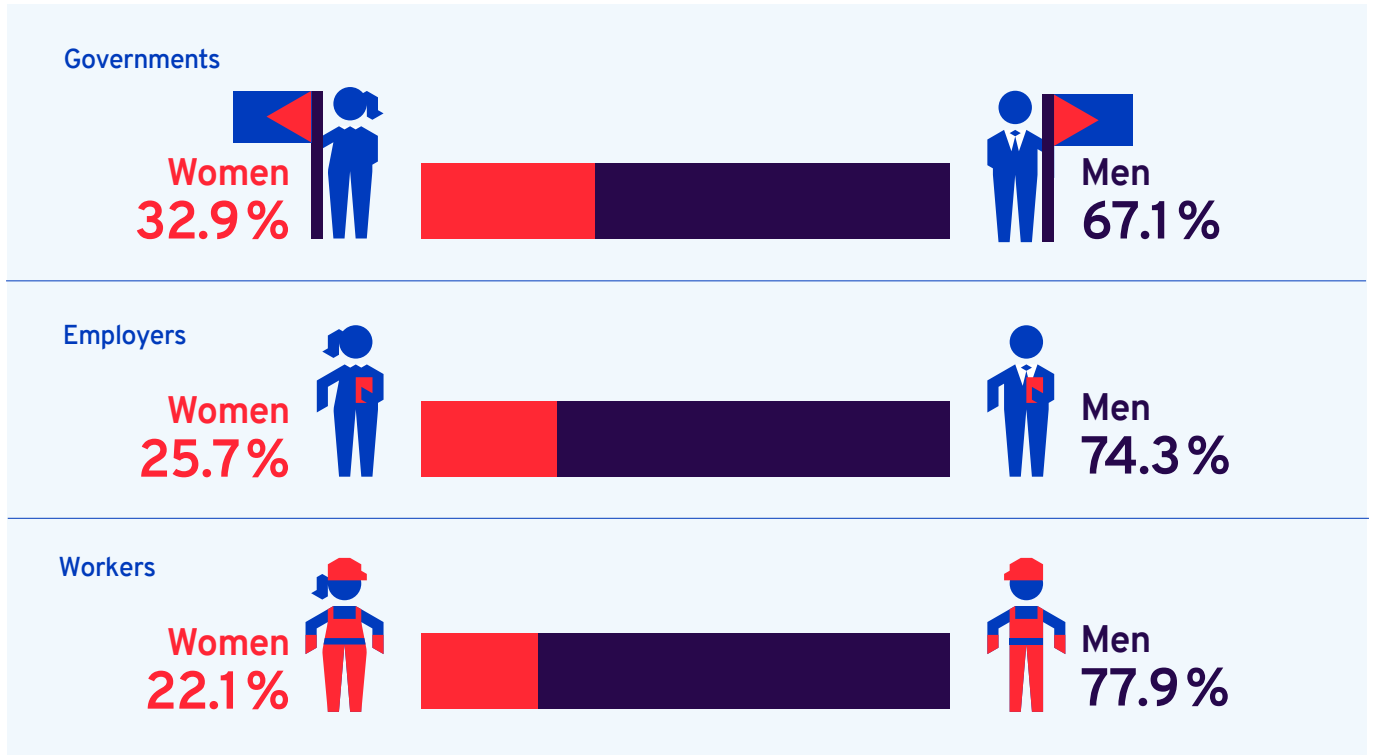
▶ Accredited delegates



Men  
**72,1%**

Women  
**27,9%**

► Tripartite delegates by group



► Women delegates by country

