



Provisional programme

Tuesday, 2 May

10.00-19.00	Registration
17.30-19.00	Group meetings
20.00	Event commemorating labour in Brazil and reception hosted by Mr. Luiz Marinho, Minister of Labour and Employment of Brazil

Wednesday, 3 May

As from 8.00	Registration
09.00-10.00	Group meetings
10.00-10.45	Plenary Election of the Officers of the Meeting
11.00	<i>Deadline for filing objections to credentials and complaints alleging non-payment of travel and subsistence expenses</i>
11.00-12.00	Opening ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Chairperson of the Regional Meeting■ Mr. Juan Somavia, Director-General of the ILO■ His Excellency, Mr. Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva, President of the Federative Republic of Brazil
12.00-13.00	Comments on the Director-General's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Mr. Carlos Tomada, Minister of Labour, Employment and Social Security of Argentina and Chairperson of the Governing Body of the ILO■ Mr. Daniel Funes de Rioja, Employer Vice-Chairperson of the Governing Body of the ILO■ Sir Roy Trotman, Worker Vice-Chairperson of the Governing Body of the ILO■ Mr. José Luis Machinea, Executive Secretary, ECLAC■ Mr. Francisco Salazar, Chair of the Inter-American Conference of Labour Ministers/OAS
13.00-14.30	Lunch
14.30-15.30	Group meetings

15.30-17.00	<p>Plenary: Discussion of the Director-General’s Report <i>Panel 1: “Main challenges to decent work in the region”</i> Moderator: Mr. Daniel Martínéz, ILO Regional Director for the Americas Debate</p>
17.00-18.30	<p>Plenary: Discussion of the Director-General’s Report <i>Panel 2: “General policies to achieve the main objectives of the decent work strategy”</i> Moderator: Mr. Virgilio Levaggi, ILO Deputy Regional Director for the Americas Debate</p>
20.00	Reception hosted by the Director-General of the ILO
Thursday, 4 May	
09.00-10.00	Group meetings
10.00-11.30	<p>Plenary: Discussion of the Director-General’s Report <i>Panel 3: “Specific areas for policy intervention”</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ International labour standards ■ Gender equality ■ Youth employment ■ Small and medium-sized enterprises <p>Moderator: Ms. Gerardina González, Director of the ILO Subregional Office for Central America, Haiti, Panama and the Dominican Republic Debate</p>
11.30-13.00	<p>Plenary: Discussion of the Director-General’s Report <i>Panel 4: “Specific areas for policy intervention”</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Informal economy ■ Rural sector and local development ■ Vocational training ■ Employment services <p>Moderator: Mr. José Manuel Salazar-Xirinachs, ILO Executive Director of the Employment Sector Debate</p>
13.00-14.30	Lunch
14.30-15.30	Group meetings
15.30-17.00	<p>Plenary: Discussion of the Director-General’s Report <i>Panel 5: “Specific areas for policy intervention”</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Wages and remuneration ■ Occupational safety and health ■ Migrant workers <p>Moderator: Ms. Ana Teresa Romero, Director of the ILO Subregional Office for the Caribbean Debate</p>

17.00-18.30	<p>Plenary: Discussion of the Director-General's Report <i>Panel 6: "Decent work country programmes"</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Public policies ■ Policy integration ■ Social actors' organizations <p>Moderator: Mr. Guillermo Miranda, Director of the ILO Subregional Office for the South Cone of Latin America Debate</p>
17.00-20.00	Working Party on Conclusions
20.00	Cultural event hosted by the Government of Brazil
Friday, 5 May	
09.00-09.30	Group meetings
09.30-11.00	<p>Plenary: Discussion of the Director-General's Report <i>Panel 7: "Decent work country programmes"</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Labour authority ■ Labour markets and working conditions ■ Integration processes <p>Moderator: Ms. Lais Abramo, Director of the ILO Office in Brazil Debate</p>
11.00-11.30	<p>Information session on the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, recently adopted by the ILO. Ms. Cleopatra Doumbia-Henry, Director of the ILO International Labour Standards Department</p>
13.00-14.30	Lunch
14.30-16.00	<p>Plenary Presentation of the report of the Credentials Committee Presentation and adoption of the conclusions of the Sixteenth American Regional Meeting</p> <p>Closing ceremony</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Government Vice-Chairperson of the Regional Meeting ■ Employer Vice-Chairperson of the Regional Meeting ■ Worker Vice-Chairperson of the Regional Meeting ■ Mr. Juan Somavia, Director-General of the ILO ■ Mr. Celso Amorim, Foreign Minister of Brazil