

Sectoral Advisory Bodies 2021 Proposals for final sitting <sup>1</sup>				
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1	Media; culture (incl. sports); graphical	Technical Meeting for the arts and entertainment sector	Workers Employers GB.335/POL/3	The tripartite meeting could address the future of work in the arts and entertainment sector to address the need for strengthening the capacities of its workers to benefit from the transformations taking place in the sector. This would include measures to ensure workers' universal access to comprehensive and sustainable social protection, effective skills development and lifelong learning, and the realization of effective social dialogue to ensure the sector's recovery from Covid-19.
2	Commerce	Technical Meeting on digitalization in the retail sector as an engine for economic recovery	Employers Supported by workers	The technical meeting would bring together social partners of the industry and governments to discuss the state of play, best practices and innovative responses linked to digitalization that are emerging across the industry as it deals with the implications of the COVID-19 virus as well as human resources practices, training, skills and OSH.
3	Public service	Technical Meeting on the protection of workers who report wrongdoing	Workers supported by Governments	Whistleblowers play a pivotal role in supporting transparency and accountability in both the public and private sectors, and they bring to light illegal activities such as tax evasion, collusion and others that are contrary to the public interest. Whistleblowing can save lives; however, in disclosing

<sup>1</sup> As per usual practice, resources will be kept in reserve to allow for one additional meeting per biennium on an emerging sectoral issue of interest to constituents that requires a lighter than usual preparatory stage.

<sup>2</sup> Research with a view to a meeting in a future biennium.

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				<p>relevant information, whistleblowers often risk their jobs, freedom, or even their lives.</p> <p>At its 329th Session, in March 2017, the GB considered that “four subjects require further work and discussion in other tripartite forums before they could be considered to give rise to full proposals for inclusion on the agenda of the Conference”, including “independence and protection in public service (fight against corruption)”.</p> <p>The proposed technical meeting could:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• address the state of the affairs about figure of whistleblowers and its protection, and how the independence of public sector is relevant in the fights against corruption;</li> <li>• identify gaps and difficulties in the application of the current whistleblowers protection frameworks;</li> <li>• identify the extent to which ILO instruments are relevant to the protection of whistleblowers; and,</li> </ul> <p>making recommendations on a way forward.</p>
4	Extractive Industries	Meeting of Experts on Just Transition in the fossil fuels industry	Workers Supported by Employers	<p>Noting that the Paris agreement implementation is uneven at country and regional level and is fraught with challenges related to the transition towards a low carbon future amidst developing countries’ dependence on fossil fuels for development and economic growth, Just Transition has become an urgent imperative. However, incoherent policy responses remain a challenge with implications for decent work in the fossil fuel industry in line with priorities focused on the implementation of the ILO Centenary Declaration for the Future of Work as far as climate change impacts on the future of work.</p>

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5	Basic metal production	(Steel) Technical Meeting over the new production patterns with respect to digitalization and decarbonization in the global steel industry	Workers Supported by Employers (one meeting on either Steel or Mechanical engineering)	<p>COVID-19 crisis worked as a catalyst for the speed-up in changes in base metals production: IndustriALL Global Union expects a very slow recovery of the basic metals production, namely in the steel industry. At the same time, there is a growing overcapacity, mostly resulting from new installations in India and China.</p> <p>This development is going hand in hand with changes in production patterns in developed economies: The technical and ecological changes are mostly related to digitalization of steel and aluminium production on the one hand and “green” (decarbonized) steel production on the other hand.</p>
6	Mechanical and electrical engineering	(Mechanical engineering) Technical Meeting over the consequences of digitalization combined with GreenTech in the sector, requiring new skills for the workforce	Workers Supported by Employers (one meeting on either Steel or Mechanical engineering)	The mechanical engineering sector is a driver of and subject to changes following the demand for digitalization and green technologies (“GreenTech”) at the same time. This sector changes its internal production patterns according to digitization and delivers at the same time technical equipment that drives the digitization in other sectors (i.e. machine construction, automotive, power generation etc.) and delivers also installations for GreenTech (namely power generation and life cycle products). This requires specific attention to the question of a just transition in the sector.
		(Electronics) Research on decent work in the management of e-waste with a view to	Workers Supported by Employers	This research is to inform possible future action of the ILO, including the possibility of convening a meeting to be decided by the Governing Body to develop guidelines or a code of practice to advance decent and sustainable work in the management of e-waste. Recurrent work as follow-up of the Global Dialogue Forum on Decent Work in the Management of Electrical and Electronic Waste (E-waste) which was held on 9–11 April 2019.

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7	Agriculture, plantations, other rural sectors	Meeting of experts on decent work in agro-food: an essential part of sustainable food systems	Workers Supported by Governments	<p>During the COVID-19 pandemic, food and agricultural workers were classed as essential workers and required to keep working to ensure global food supply. The pandemic saw significant numbers of cases of COVID-19 infections and deaths in agricultural and food workplaces. Investigation of these cases shone a spotlight on poor working conditions, especially for migrant workers. The COVID-19 pandemic highlighted both the fragility of current food systems and the damage they do to the planet with the destruction of natural habitats and as drivers of the climate crisis. It is estimated by the WHO that globally about one billion cases of illness and millions of death occur every year from zoonoses. Some 60% of emerging infectious diseases that are reported globally are zoonoses. With further destruction of natural habitats the likelihood of further pandemics called by zoonoses increases.</p> <p>The meeting of experts should examine</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• decent work deficits for workers in agro-food and make proposals to remedy the deficits,</li> <li>• the links between current food systems models and the climate crisis and, in line with ILO commitments in the Climate Action for Jobs initiative, make proposals for changes to food systems to ensure that the provide decent employment and protect the planet.</li> </ul>
8	Hotels, catering and tourism	Technical meeting on COVID-19 and the tourism sector	Governments Supported by Workers and Employers	<p>Technical meeting on the sustainable recovery of the tourism sector from the COVID-19 pandemic. The tripartite meeting will address recent developments and challenges faced by the sector as a result of the global pandemic. It will discuss ways to promote decent work, strengthen occupational safety and health, increase social protection coverage, and use innovation and digital</p>

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				technologies to build back better a sustainable future of work. The meeting will aim to agree on a set of conclusions.
9	Construction	Meeting of experts to prepare a guidance document on labour clauses in public procurement towards achieving Sustainable Procurement and Decent Work in Construction	Workers Supported by Governments	<p>The construction industry is characterized by a high proportion of small firms, sub-contractors, self-employed, informal contractual practices, high turnover, transient sites, lack of training and skills development, as well as a range of hazards such as work at heights, cranes, scaffolding, excavations, tunnelling, heavy plant and machinery. While contracts are won by competitive bidding, recent public contracting developments question the effectiveness of the standards set out in the Labour Clauses (Public Contracts) Convention, 1949 (No. 94). Such trends include, among others, increased subcontracting, service- or labour-only contracting, global sourcing, and decentralization of public procurement policies.</p> <p>The proposed meeting of experts would constitute a follow up of the Global Dialogue Forum on Decent Work in Local Government Procurement for Infrastructure Provision (February 2009), which noted that "...the ILO could organize a meeting of experts with a view to preparing a guidance document on labour clauses in public procurement".</p>
10	Forestry, wood, pulp, paper	(Forestry) Meeting of experts to update the Code of practice on Safety and health in forestry work (1998) and the Guidelines for labour inspection in forestry (2005)	Workers Supported by Employers	<p>The proposed meeting of experts would follow up on the Sectoral meeting on promoting decent work and safety and health in forestry (May 2019) (Conclusions, Paragraph 18 : The Office should "develop a work plan in consultation with tripartite constituents to support governments and social partners to promote and further implement the code of practice on Safety and health in forestry work (1998) and the Guidelines for labour inspection in forestry (2005), including through capacity-building; and initiate preparations to update through a meeting of experts these two tools to include specific provisions on emerging issues such as climate change, new technologies, migration, and the informal economy, among others.</p>

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				The meeting would aim to update the Code of practice on Safety and health in forestry work (1998) and the Guidelines for labour inspection in forestry (2005).
11	Shipping, ports, fisheries, inland waterways	(Inland waterways) Meeting of experts on decent work in the inland waterways sector	Workers GB.335/POL/3 Supported by Employers	<p>The GB in March 2019 already endorsed the consensus reached at the SABs in January 2019 that a Meeting of experts on decent work in the inland waterways sector be held in the biennium 2022–23. Inland waterways transport (IWT) is a sustainable, safe, cheap and reliable form of transport. IWT plays an important role in the transportation of freight and passengers in many parts of the world. Although IWT is a sector that is often examined from a regional perspective, certain global trends have emerged in recent years. For example, in some cases, an increasing tendency to re-flag vessels has been observed. Also, technological change, and issues related to fundamental rights, freedom of association, collective bargaining, privatization and wage competition have impacted working conditions in the sector.</p> <p>The proposed meeting could provide guidance on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>identifying the opportunities and challenges for the realization of decent work in IWT;</li> <li>identifying the challenges of governance to achieving decent work in IWT; and,</li> <li>concrete steps that the ILO and its tripartite constituencies can take to address the decent work deficits in the sector.</li> </ul>
12	Transport (including civil aviation, railways, road transport)	(Civil Aviation) Technical meeting on a green, sustainable and inclusive economic	Employers GB.335/POL/3 Supported by Governments	In March 2019, the ILO Governing Body adopted SAB recommendations (GB.335/POL/3), which provide in section B, para. 27: “Preparatory work, including research, will be undertaken on the future of work in aviation with a view to consideration being given at the next meeting of the sectoral advisory bodies to holding tripartite meetings in these sectors.”

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		recovery for the civil aviation sector		<p>From travel restrictions to flight cancellations, the airline industry has been one of the hardest-hit industry by the COVID-19 pandemic. Not only the COVID-19 crisis has had an almost immediate effect on the airline industry, but it has also placed an extreme financial pressure on operators in the absence of meaningful passenger demand. Forecasts predict that 2020 may be the industry's worst financial year in its history. On an employment level, the most recent analysis show that up to 4.8 million jobs in aviation may be lost by the beginning of 2021, representing a 43 per cent reduction from pre-Covid-19 levels.</p> <p>Against this backdrop, there is an urgent need to shape a sustainable trajectory for the recovery of the aviation industry. The proposed meeting could allow for a discussion on elements that need to be planned and put in motion during the recovery phase of the industry to address long-term employment concerns. In particular:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• debates should address the composition of the sector;</li> <li>• learning processes; innovation; new technologies; productivity plans; linkages with new industries as well as the promotion of decent work and productive employment creation policies among others; and</li> <li>• discussions around the identification, anticipation and provision of green skills.</li> </ul>
13	Transport (including civil aviation, railways, road transport)	(Road transport) Global Dialogue Forum on lessons learned from Covid-19 and the identification of road transport	Employers Supported by Workers	<p>Covid 19 has shown the importance of truck drivers in transporting goods and people. Some countries have designated road transport workers are designated as essential workers giving them priority access to proper protection and disinfection equipment and material. Yet, more resources should be made sufficiently available by governments to this category of workers.</p>

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