



FOR DECISION

EIGHTH ITEM ON THE AGENDA

Composition and agenda of standing bodies and meetings

Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations

New appointment

- In order to fill one of the five current vacant seats, the Officers of the Governing Body recommend that the Governing Body appoint the following person as a member of the Committee for a period of three years:*
 - Mr Raymond Ranjeva (Madagascar): Professor of Law, Senior Judge of the International Court of Justice.*
- A short biography of this person is reproduced in Appendix I.

Tripartite Meeting of Experts on the Measurement of Decent Work (Geneva, 8–10 September 2008)

Composition

- At its 301st Session, the Governing Body approved the holding of a Meeting of Experts on Measurement of Decent Work.¹ The Director-General proposes to invite five Government experts, five experts following consultation with the Employers' group, five experts following consultation with the Workers' group, five independent experts selected directly by the Office, as well as observer experts from key national and international institutions and agencies with direct interest in the topic.
- The Officers of the Governing Body recommend that the Governing Body approve the above composition formula.*

¹ GB.301/PFA/8.

Agenda

5. The Director-General proposes a single agenda item, the measurement of decent work on which a discussion paper will be prepared by the Office.
6. *The Officers of the Governing Body recommend that the Governing Body approve the above agenda.*

Invitation of intergovernmental organizations

7. The Director-General intends to invite the following intergovernmental organizations to be represented at the Meeting as observers:
 - European Commission EUROSTAT;
 - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD);
 - United Nations Development Programme (UNDP);
 - United Nations Statistics Division;

as well as statistical divisions of the United Nations regional commissions and other international institutions and agencies with direct interest in the topic.

Geneva, 12 June 2008.

Points for decision: Paragraph 1;
Paragraph 4;
Paragraph 6.

Appendix I

Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations

Mr Raymond Ranjeva, (Madagascar)

Raymond Ranjeva was born in Madagascar in 1942.

After receiving his bachelor's degree in law from the University of Madagascar, Antananarivo, he received a *Diplôme* from the Madagascar National School of Administration, a *Diplôme d'études supérieures* in political science from the University of Paris, and a *Diplôme d'études supérieures* in public law from the University of Madagascar. Mr Ranjeva received his Doctorate of Law from the University of Paris II with a thesis on the succession of international organizations in Africa. He became *agrégé* of the Faculties of Law and Economics, Public Law and Political Science section in Paris in 1972.

Mr Ranjeva has been a member of the International Court of Justice (ICJ) since 1991. He has served as the Court's Vice-President from 2003 to 2006. He has been Senior Judge of the Court since February 2006. He was Member (2002–05) and then President (2005) of the Chamber formed by the International Court of Justice to deal with the case concerning the *Frontier Dispute (Benin/Niger)*.

Before joining the ICJ, Mr Ranjeva held numerous posts, including Conciliator at the World Bank International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (since 1970); member of the Malagasy delegations to several international conferences (e.g. Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea, Preparatory Commission for the International Seabed Authority and the Law of the Sea Tribunal, the United Nations General Assembly (1979–90) and the Non-Aligned Countries (1979)). He was also head of the Malagasy delegation to the United Nations Conference on Succession of States in respect of Treaties, Vienna (1976–77). He furthermore served as First Vice-President for Africa of the International Conference of French-Speaking Faculties of Law and Political Science (1987–91). Mr Ranjeva was also a member of the National Constitutional Committee (1975) and a founding member of the Malagasy Human Rights Committee (1971). Mr Ranjeva has taught as a professor at the University of Madagascar and other institutions. He has held a number of administrative posts, including First Rector of the University of Antananarivo (1988–90). He has also been an associate or visiting lecturer at several universities abroad and is Doctor *honoris causa* of the Universities of Limoges and Strasbourg.

Mr Ranjeva is a member of numerous international and national professional and academic societies, and the author of numerous books, essays and articles.