



FOR DECISION

EIGHTEENTH ITEM ON THE AGENDA

**Composition and agenda of
standing bodies and meetings**

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Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations

New appointment

1. *In order to fill one of the two current vacant seats, the Officers of the Governing Body recommend that the Governing Body appoint the following person as member of the Committee for a period of three years:*

- *Ms Rosemary Owens (Australia): Professor and Dean of Law at the Law School of the University of Adelaide.*

A short biography of Ms Rosemary Owens is reproduced in the appendix.

Upskilling out of the downturn: Global Dialogue Forum on Strategies for Sectoral Training and Employment Security (Geneva, 29–30 March 2010)

2. At its 304th Session (March 2009), the Governing Body decided to allocate resources for the organization of one sectoral meeting in relation with the crisis.¹ It also specified that the meeting should be held in accordance with the procedure of its Committee on Sectoral and Technical Meetings and Related Issues.
3. Further consultations with the tripartite constituents, it is proposed to organize a two-day global dialogue, to be held on 29–30 March 2010.

Composition

4. It is proposed that this Forum be attended by ten Employer and ten Worker representatives, nominated after consultation with the Employers' and Workers' groups of the Governing Body, as well as by representatives of all governments interested. This Forum will also be open to any other Employer or Worker participants as well as observers attending the meeting at no cost to the ILO.
5. *The Officers of the Governing Body recommend that the Governing Body approve the above composition formula.*

Agenda

6. The purpose of the meeting will be to examine current and future skills needs across different sectors as a basis for proposing skills development and vocational education strategies to support post-crisis employment security and enhanced business productivity and competitiveness.

¹ GB.304/PFA/4.

7. The Director-General therefore proposes that the Forum focus on the following items on the agenda:
- ILO policies and instruments for skills development and training;
 - sectoral skills development, training and employment security: essential tools for a balanced and sustainable social and economic recovery;
 - priority issues and challenges; and
 - sectoral skills development and training strategies for decent work.
8. *The Officers of the Governing Body recommend that the Governing Body approve the above agenda.*

Invitation of intergovernmental organizations

9. The Officers of the Governing Body have authorized the Director-General to invite the following international intergovernmental organizations to be represented at the meeting as observers:
- African Union;
 - Economic Commission for Latin American and the Caribbean (ECLAC);
 - European Commission (EC);
 - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD);
 - United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO);
 - World Bank.

99th Session of the International Labour Conference (Geneva, 2–18 June 2010)

Invitation of intergovernmental organizations

10. In addition to the intergovernmental organizations for which there are standing arrangements, approved by the Governing Body, which provide for their invitation to the International Labour Conference, the Officers of the Governing Body have authorized the Director-General to invite the intergovernmental organizations to be represented at the Conference as observers:
- African Regional Labour Administration Centre (ARLAC);
 - Asia–Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC);
 - Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN);
 - Central African Economic and Monetary Community (CAEMC);

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- Centre arabe pour l’administration du travail et de l’emploi (ACLAE);
 - Centre régional africain d’administration du travail (CRADAT);
 - Council of Europe (CE);
 - Commonwealth Secretariat (ComSec);
 - Inter-American Development Bank (IDB);
 - International Association of Economic and Social Councils and Similar Institutions (IAESCSI);
 - Latin American Economic System (SELA);
 - North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA);
 - Nordic Council (NC);
 - Nordic Council of Ministers (NMR);
 - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD);
 - Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC);
 - Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE);
 - Regional Organization for the Protection of the Marine Environment (ROPME);
 - Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC);
 - West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU);
 - World Trade Organization (WTO).

Preparatory Tripartite Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, Committee (Geneva, 20–22 September 2010)

Composition and agenda

- 11.** In accordance with the decision adopted by the Governing Body at its 306th Session (November 2009)² as regards the purpose and composition of the meeting, it was agreed that the meeting would be open to governments of any interested member States. It would include up to ten representatives of the Shipowners group and ten representatives of the Seafarers group, nominated respectively, after consultation with the Joint Maritime Commission, with the understanding that the meeting would also be open to Seafarers’ and Shipowners’ representatives wishing to participate at their own expense. It was also agreed that the purpose of the meeting would be to review the preparations by Members for implementing the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006; identify any common issues, and prepare for the future special tripartite committee on any questions that might need to be

² GB.306/10/2(Rev.), para. 83.

dealt with as a matter of urgency after entry into force of the Convention, including the rules of procedure of the special tripartite committee.

12. In the light of the above, the agenda will consist of the following items:

- preparations for implementing the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006;
- progress on ratification by member States and future action;
- common issues and special problems;
- outline of process and contents of the Standing Orders for the Special Tripartite Committee; and
- any other business.

Invitation of intergovernmental organizations

13. The Officers of the Governing Body have authorized the Director-General to invite the following intergovernmental organizations to be represented at the meetings as observers:

- African Union;
- Arab Labour Organization;
- European Union;
- International Maritime Organization;
- Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development;
- United Nations (Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea);
- United Nations Conference for Trade and Development;
- World Health Organization;
- Acuerdo de Vïna del Mar (Latin American Agreement);
- Indian Ocean Memorandum of Understanding on Port State Control;
- Memorandum of Understanding on Port State Control in the Asia–Pacific Region;
- Memorandum of Understanding on Port State Control in the Caribbean Region;
- Memorandum of Understanding on Port State Control in the Mediterranean Region;
- Memorandum of Understanding on Port State Control for the West and Central African Region;
- Memorandum of Understanding on Port State Control in the Black Sea Region;
- Paris Memorandum of Understanding on Port State Control;
- Riyadh Memorandum of Understanding on Port State Control.

Invitation of international non-governmental organizations

14. The Director-General proposes to invite the following international non-governmental organizations to be represented at the meetings as observers:
- International Association of Classification Societies;
 - International Christian Maritime Association;
 - International Committee on Seafarers' Welfare;
 - International Confederation of Water Transport Workers' Unions;
 - International Federation of Shipmasters' Association;
 - International Maritime Health Association;
 - International Shipping Federation;
 - International Transport Workers' Federation.
15. *The Officers of the Governing Body recommend that the Director-General be authorized to invite the above international non-governmental organizations to be represented at the meetings as observers.*

Global Dialogue Forum on Vocational Education and Training (Geneva, 29–30 September 2010)

Invitation of intergovernmental organizations

16. The Officers of the Governing Body have authorized the Director-General to invite the following international intergovernmental organizations to be represented at the meeting as observers:
- European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training (CEDEFOP);
 - European Commission (EC);
 - European Training Foundation (ETF);
 - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD);
 - United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO);
 - World Bank.

**Global Dialogue Forum on the Role of Private
Employment Agencies in Promoting Decent
Work and Improving the Functioning of Labour
Markets in Private Services Sectors**
(Geneva, 11–12 April 2011)

Invitation of intergovernmental organizations

17. The Officers of the Governing Body have authorized the Director-General to invite the following international intergovernmental organizations to be represented at the meeting as observers:

- European Commission (EC);
- European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions;
- International Organization for Migration (IOM);
- Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD);
- World Bank.

Geneva, 16 March 2010.

Points for decision: Paragraph 1;
Paragraph 5;
Paragraph 8;
Paragraph 15.

Appendix

Professor Rosemary Owens (Australia)

Professor Rosemary Owens was born in June 1950.

Ms Owens holds Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Law degrees, as well as a diploma in education. She is Professor and Dean of Law at the Law School of the University of Adelaide, where she has been teaching since 1987. A feature of her classes has been the importance of international labour standards and the role of the ILO in an era of globalization. She was the editor of the Australian Journal of Labour Law for five years until 2007, and continues to be a member of the Editorial Board.

Ms Owens has served on a number of committees and in particular played a significant role in shaping the Working Women's Centre. She has contributed as an expert of international standing to the Australian Research Council and has carried out a number of external reviews, the latest being for the Centre for Employment and Labour Relations Law of the University of Melbourne, Australia.

Ms Owens has published several books and numerous articles, both at the international level and in Australia. The topics of her publications include labour law, precarious work, women and the new economy, and social law and the working poor in Australia.