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### Employment policy

#### **I/1. Subregional Training on Analysis of Information and Policies within the Framework of the Project “Partnerships for Youth Employment in the CIS”**

Proposed date:	2–5 February 2015
Place:	Baku, Azerbaijan
Financing:	Lukoil (US\$29,000)
Geographical coverage:	Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	10
(b) Employers:	3
(c) Workers:	3
Purpose of the meeting:	<p>(i) to enhance the capacity of participants to analyse relevant data and to formulate, implement and evaluate labour market programmes that assist young people in entering the labour market;</p> <p>(ii) to increase knowledge of effective labour market programmes and employment services that promote decent work opportunities for young people; and</p> <p>(iii) to increase knowledge of the impact of macroeconomic policies on youth employment policies.</p>
Resource persons:	One expert
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Employment Service Convention, 1948 (No. 88), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (Disabled Persons) Convention, 1983 (No. 159), Employment Promotion and Protection against Unemployment Convention, 1988 (No. 168), Private Employment Agencies Convention, 1997 (No. 181), Human Resources Development Recommendation, 2004 (No. 195), Job Creation in Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises Recommendation, 1998 (No. 189), and ILO core Conventions <sup>2</sup>

<sup>2</sup> Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention,

Working languages: English and Russian

## **I/2. Subregional Meeting on Disability Inclusion**

Proposed date: 24–26 February 2015

Place: Sochi, Russian Federation

Financing: Government of Russian Federation (US\$44,000)  
Government of Finland (US\$18,800)

Geographical coverage: Armenia, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan

Composition of participants:

(a) Governments: 12

(b) Employers: 6

(c) Workers: 6

Purpose of the Meeting: (i) to agree on an action plan for disability inclusion with employment focus for 2015; and  
(ii) to determine the joint implementation and financing of the action plan from two regional technical cooperation projects.

Resource persons: Regional experts in employment

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts: Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Employment Service Convention, 1948 (No. 88), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Social Security (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1952 (No. 102), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Holidays with Pay Convention (Revised), 1970 (No. 132), Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (Disabled Persons) Convention, 1983 (No. 159), Social Protection Floors Recommendation, 2012 (No. 202)

Working languages: English and Russian

1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182).

### **I/3. Peer Review of Youth Employment Policies, Programmes and Institutions of Tajikistan**

Proposed date:	9–13 March 2015
Place:	Dushanbe, Tajikistan
Financing:	Lukoil (US\$9,000)
Geographical coverage:	Azerbaijan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	11 (Azerbaijan 3, Tajikistan 6, Uzbekistan 2)
(b) Employers:	5 (Azerbaijan 1, Tajikistan 3, Uzbekistan 1)
(c) Workers:	5 (Azerbaijan 1, Tajikistan 3, Uzbekistan 1)
Purpose of the meeting:	<p>(i) to increase knowledge of effective labour market policies and employment services that promote youth employment;</p> <p>(ii) to improve the capacity of participants to formulate, implement and evaluate labour market programmes for young people; and</p> <p>(iii) to strengthen bilateral cooperation between countries of the subregion.</p>
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Employment Service Convention, 1948 (No. 88), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (Disabled Persons) Convention, 1983 (No. 159), Employment Promotion and Protection against Unemployment Convention, 1988 (No. 168), Private Employment Agencies Convention, 1997 (No. 181), Human Resources Development Recommendation, 2004 (No. 195), Employment Relationship Recommendation, 2006 (No. 198), and ILO core Conventions <sup>3</sup>
Working language:	Russian

<sup>3</sup> Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182).

**I/4. Regional Workshop on Strengthening Quality Assurance Mechanisms through Capacity Building and Knowledge Sharing**

Proposed date:	17–19 March 2015
Place:	Bangkok, Thailand
Financing:	Government of Japan (US\$38,000)
Geographical coverage:	Afghanistan, India, Indonesia, Mongolia, Papua New Guinea, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	6
(b) Employers:	6
(c) Workers:	6
Purpose of the Workshop:	(i) to deepen understanding of the mechanisms that address quality in skills systems; (ii) to discuss challenges and constraints in the implementation of quality assurance; and (iii) to make recommendations for adaptable policy approaches.
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Human Resources Development Recommendation, 2004 (No. 195)
Working language:	English

**I/5. Subregional Meeting of the Members of the Youth Employment Network**

Proposed date:	20–24 April 2015
Place:	Krasnoyarsk, Russian Federation
Financing:	Lukoil (US\$67,500)
Geographical coverage:	Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russian Federation, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	23
(b) Employers:	3
(c) Workers:	3



Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to improve the capacity of labour administrators to analyse information and data and to formulate, implement and evaluate labour market policies that assist young people to find decent work;
	(ii) to strengthen bilateral cooperation between countries with similar challenges; and
	(iii) to increase knowledge of the impact of macroeconomic policies on youth employment policies.
Resource persons:	One international expert
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Employment Service Convention, 1948 (No. 88), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (Disabled Persons) Convention, 1983 (No. 159), Employment Promotion and Protection against Unemployment Convention, 1988 (No. 168), Private Employment Agencies Convention, 1997 (No. 181), Human Resources Development Recommendation, 2004 (No. 195), Employment Relationship Recommendation, 2006 (No. 198), and ILO core Conventions <sup>4</sup>
Working languages:	English and Russian

**I/6. Regional Meeting on Labour Market Transitions of Young Women and Men in Europe and Central Asia**

Proposed date:	28–29 April 2015
Place:	Geneva, Switzerland
Financing:	Mastercard Foundation (US\$60,000)
Geographical coverage:	Armenia, Azerbaijan, Kyrgyzstan, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Republic of Moldova, Montenegro, Russian Federation, Serbia, Tajikistan, Ukraine
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	10
(b) Employers:	10
(c) Workers:	10

<sup>4</sup> Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182).

Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to examine the findings of the Work4Youth research work in Europe and Central Asia and to give feedback on the data collection process; and  (ii) to present the challenges with respect to youth employment and the policy options for smoother labour market transitions of young people.
Resource persons:	Regional experts on youth employment policy
Observers:	The European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (Eurofound)  European Central Bank  European Investment Bank  European Training Foundation (ETF)  United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)  World Bank  International Telecommunication Union (ITU)  Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)  Regional Cooperation Council (RCC)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Employment Service Convention, 1948 (No. 88), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142)
Working languages:	English and Russian

## Social protection

### ***I/7. Subregional Seminar: Rights, Organization and Social Protection in the Informal Economy and its Transition to Formality***

Proposed date:	28–30 January 2015
Place:	San José, Costa Rica
Financing:	Government of United States (US\$41,500)
Geographical coverage:	Costa Rica, El Salvador, Honduras
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	15
(b) Employers:	10
(c) Workers:	15

Purpose of the Seminar:	(i) to discuss sustainability and other outcomes of the project so far, with a view to defining the priorities for phase 2; (ii) to share best practices for promoting respect for workers' rights in the informal sector, through agreed action plans; and (iii) to hold discussions in order to facilitate and promote efforts in other countries that are members of the initiative <i>Pathways to prosperity in the Americas</i> (PATHWAYS).
Resource persons:	Three experts
Observers:	PATHWAYS Government of United States Trade Union Confederation of the Americas (CSA) One civic representative from each of the participating countries
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Social Security (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1952 (No. 102), Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189)
Working language:	Spanish

## Governance and tripartism

### ***I/8. Subregional Workshop to Train Trainers on Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) Risk Assessment, Management and Control***

Proposed date:	10–12 February 2015
Place:	Manila, Philippines
Financing:	Government of Republic of Korea (US\$45,000)
Geographical coverage:	Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Myanmar, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	12
(b) Employers:	12
(c) Workers:	12

Purpose of the Workshop:	(i) to strengthen the capacity of the participants in the key components of OSH risk assessment, especially hazard identification, management and control; and  (ii) to create a network of trainers and trained OSH advocates in the region.
Resource persons:	Three experts
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981 (No. 155), Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 2006 (No. 187), Occupational Safety and Health Recommendation, 1981 (No. 164), Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Recommendation, 2006 (No. 197)
Working language:	English

### ***I/9. Subregional Forum on Child Labour and Trafficking***

Proposed date:	26–28 February 2015
Place:	Nadi, Fiji
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$74,500)
Geographical coverage:	Fiji, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	20
(b) Employers:	5
(c) Workers:	5
Purpose of the Forum:	(i) to share knowledge and experiences related to child labour and trafficking in the Pacific; and  (ii) to develop media guidelines for advocating on child labour and trafficking issues.
Resource persons:	Civil society and media organizations
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182)
Working language:	English

**I/10. Training on Tripartism and Social Dialogue  
for the Community of Portuguese Language  
Countries (CPLP)**

Proposed date:	2–6 March 2015
Place:	Lisbon, Portugal
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$92,500)
Geographical coverage:	Angola, Brazil, Cabo Verde, Equatorial Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Mozambique, Portugal, Sao Tome and Principe, Timor-Leste
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	9
(b) Employers:	9
(c) Workers:	9
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to contribute to the establishment or consolidation of national social dialogue among governments, employers and workers in the nine member countries of the CPLP; and  (ii) to establish contacts with experts and practitioners in the field of social dialogue and industrial relations for further cooperation and networking.
Resource persons:	CPLP  Portuguese Economic and Social Council  Representatives of academia
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), Consultation (Industrial and National Levels) Recommendation, 1960 (No. 113), and Tripartite Consultation (Activities of the International Labour Organisation) Recommendation, 1976 (No. 152)
Working languages:	English and Portuguese

## **I/11. Ninth Meeting of Ministers of Labour of the English- and Dutch-speaking Caribbean**

Proposed date:	3–4 March 2015
Place:	Nassau, Bahamas
Financing:	RBTC (US\$155,000)
Geographical coverage:	Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, as well as the following non-metropolitan territories: Anguilla, Aruba, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Curacao, Montserrat, Sint Maarten, Turks and Caicos Islands
Composition of participants:	
Governments:	44
Purpose of the Meeting:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) to provide follow-up to the conclusion of the Eighth Meeting of Ministers of Labour (July 2013) and the regional social dialogue initiative;</li> <li>(ii) to take stock of progress made since the meeting of the CARICOM<sup>5</sup> Council for Human and Social Development (COHSOD) in May 2014; and</li> <li>(iii) to ensure that climate change response is included in Caribbean employment policies.</li> </ul>
Resource persons:	<p>Representatives of UN Women</p> <p>Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)</p> <p>United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)</p>
Observers:	<p>Caribbean Employers' Confederation (CEC)</p> <p>Caribbean Congress of Labour (CCL)</p> <p>Caribbean Community (CARICOM)</p> <p>Organization of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS)</p> <p>Association of Caribbean States (ACS)</p> <p>Caribbean Development Bank (CDB)</p>

<sup>5</sup> Caribbean Community and Common Market.

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Indigenous and Tribal Populations Convention, 1957 (No. 107), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Labour Inspection (Agriculture) Convention, 1969 (No. 129), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981 (No. 155), and ILO core Conventions <sup>6</sup>
Working language:	English

**I/12. Subregional Workshop on Improving Labour Relations through Social Dialogue in the ASEAN<sup>7</sup> region**

Proposed date:	8–14 March 2015
Place:	Seoul, Republic of Korea
Financing:	Government of Republic of Korea (US\$60,000)
Geographical coverage:	Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
(a) Employers:	10
(b) Workers:	10
Purpose of the Workshop:	(i) to share the Republic of Korea's experiences of national, regional and enterprise-level social dialogue mechanisms; and (ii) to promote harmonious labour relations in the region.
Resource persons:	Representatives of Government of the Republic of Korea and experts in labour relations
Observers:	Federation of Korean Trade Unions (FKTU) Korean Confederation of Trade Unions (KCTU) Korea Employers Federation (KEF)

<sup>6</sup> Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182).

<sup>7</sup> Association of Southeast Asian Nations.

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144)
Working language:	English

### ***I/13. Regional Workshop on Reporting on Child Labour Conventions***

Proposed date:	24–25 March 2015
Place:	Amman, Jordan
Financing:	Government of United States (US\$28,300)
Geographical coverage:	Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Yemen, as well as the Occupied Palestinian Territory
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	5
(b) Employers:	5
(c) Workers:	5
Purpose of the meeting:	To strengthen the knowledge and capacity of participants relating to child labour reporting.
Resource persons:	Two specialists in labour law and international labour standards
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182)
Working languages:	English and Arabic

### ***I/14. Tripartite Meeting of African Members of the ILO Governing Body***

Proposed date:	27–29 April 2015
Place:	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
Financing:	RBTC (US\$100,000)
Geographical coverage:	Algeria, Angola, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, Gabon, Ghana, Guinea, Kenya, Lesotho, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Rwanda, Senegal, South Africa, Sudan, United Republic of Tanzania, Tunisia, Zambia, Zimbabwe
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	14
(b) Employers:	13
(c) Workers:	13



Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to share knowledge and information on the ILO's strategic priorities for Africa, good practices in implementing those priorities and identifying expectations and a strategic direction for the ILO in the region; and  (ii) to identify a modus operandi for cooperation between the Regional Office for Africa and the African members of the ILO Governing Body.
Observers:	International Organisation of Employers (IOE) International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) ITUC–Africa Business Africa Organization of African Trade Union Unity (OATUU) African Union United Nations Economic Commission for Africa
Working languages:	English, French and Portuguese

***I/15. MERCOSUR Meeting: Networks of employers and trade unions against child labour***

Proposed date:	27–29 April 2015
Place:	Buenos Aires, Argentina
Financing:	Government of Brazil (US\$85,000)
Geographical coverage:	Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	10
(b) Employers:	5
(c) Workers:	5
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to promote the creation of a MERCOSUR network against child labour and contribute to the strengthening of other such networks being created in Latin America and establish a network of networks for enterprise-led initiatives against child labour;  (ii) to prepare conclusions which will serve as the basis for discussions on the role of enterprises in the fight against child labour at the III MERCOSUR Conference;  (iii) to define an agenda for the trade union sector for the eradication of child labour in the border area; and

(iv) to agree, within MERCOSUR, to various tools to review and control the elimination of child labour in the supply chain.

Resource persons:	16 regional representatives of enterprise networks
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Seafarers' Annual Leave with Pay Convention, 1976 (No. 146), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182), Worst Forms of Child Labour Recommendation, 1999 (No. 190)
Working languages:	Spanish and Portuguese

**I/16. ARLAC<sup>8</sup> Regional Workshop on Employment of People with Disabilities**

Proposed date:	11–15 May 2015
Place:	Harare, Zimbabwe
Financing:	ARLAC (US\$10,000) RBTC (US\$18,700)
Geographical coverage:	Botswana, Egypt, Ethiopia, Kenya, Mauritius, Namibia, Nigeria, South Africa, Zimbabwe
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	9
(b) Employers:	9
(c) Workers:	9
Purpose of the Workshop:	(i) to exchange information on best practices in the employment of people with disabilities in Africa; (ii) to expose participants to global trends regarding policies and to good practices for promoting acquisition of skills and employment of people with disabilities; and (iii) to provide training on how to provide advocacy programmes for policies that will provide care and support for workers with disabilities.
Resource persons:	Three consultants

<sup>8</sup> African Regional Labour Administration Centre.

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Labour Administration Convention, 1978 (No. 150), Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (Disabled Persons) Convention, 1983 (No. 159), Private Employment Agencies Convention, 1997 (No. 181), Equal Remuneration Recommendation, 1951 (No. 90), Vocational Rehabilitation (Disabled) Recommendation, 1955 (No. 99), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Recommendation, 1958 (No. 111), Labour Administration Recommendation, 1978 (No. 158), Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (Disabled Persons) Recommendation, 1983 (No. 168), Private Employment Agencies Recommendation, 1997 (No. 188), Promotion of Cooperatives Recommendation, 2002 (No. 193), Employment Relationship Recommendation, 2006 (No. 198), and ILO core Conventions <sup>9</sup>
Working language:	English

### ***I/17. ARLAC Regional Workshop on Labour Inspection and Gender Equality***

Proposed date:	27–31 July 2015
Place:	Harare, Zimbabwe
Financing:	ARLAC (US\$10,000) RBTC (US\$18,700)
Geographical coverage:	Lesotho, Namibia, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Swaziland, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	9
(b) Employers:	9
(c) Workers:	9
Purpose of the Workshop:	(i) to explore how labour inspection is used to promote and enforce gender equality, rights and principles; and (ii) to reinforce gender equality at the heart of labour inspection, at the macro and micro (factory) levels.
Resource persons:	Two consultants

<sup>9</sup> Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182).

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), Protocol of 1995 to the Labour Inspection Convention, 1947, Labour Inspection (Agriculture) Convention, 1969 (No. 129), Labour Administration Convention, 1978 (No. 150), Workers with Family Responsibilities Convention, 1981 (No. 156), Maternity Protection Convention, 2000 (No. 183), Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), Equal Remuneration Recommendation, 1951 (No. 90), Labour Inspection (Agriculture) Recommendation, 1969 (No. 133), Labour Administration Recommendation, 1978 (No. 158), Workers with Family Responsibilities Recommendation, 1981 (No. 165), and ILO core Conventions<sup>10</sup>

Working language:

English

### ***I/18. ARLAC Regional Workshop on Employment Injury Compensation Schemes***

Proposed date:

17–21 August 2015

Place:

Harare, Zimbabwe

Financing:

ARLAC (US\$10,000)

RBTC (US\$18,700)

Geographical coverage:

Ghana, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, Mauritius, South Africa, Sudan, Swaziland, Zimbabwe

Composition of participants:

- |                  |   |
|------------------|---|
| (a) Governments: | 9 |
| (b) Employers:   | 9 |
| (c) Workers:     | 9 |

Purpose of the Workshop:

- (i) to define employment injury benefits and identify their economic rationale and essential features, with reference to ILO Conventions;
- (ii) to develop an agenda for strengthening employment injury schemes; and
- (iii) to suggest a set of priorities for the reform and strengthening of employment injury compensation schemes.

<sup>10</sup> Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182).

Resource persons:	Three consultants
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Protocol of 2014 to the Forced Labour Convention, 1930 Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Employment Injury Benefits Convention, 1964 [Schedule I amended in 1980] (No. 121), Labour Administration Convention, 1978 (No. 150), Forced Labour (Indirect Compulsion) Recommendation, 1930 (No. 35), Labour Administration Recommendation, 1978 (No. 158), Forced Labour (Supplementary Measures) Recommendation, 2014 (No. 203)
Working language:	English

**I/19. ARLAC Regional Workshop on International Labour Standards: Ratification, supervision and reporting**

Proposed date:	28 September–2 October 2015
Place:	Harare, Zimbabwe
Financing:	ARLAC (US\$10,000) RBTC (US\$18,700)
Geographical coverage:	Botswana, Egypt, Ethiopia, Kenya, Liberia, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Zambia, Zimbabwe
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	9
(b) Employers:	9
(c) Workers:	9
Purpose of the Workshop:	(i) to raise awareness of the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work in ARLAC member countries and ILO member States in the region; (ii) to deepen understanding of how fundamental principles and rights reinforce development, democracy and equity and help empower vulnerable groups; and (iii) to advocate for policies that underpin the fundamental principles and rights at national levels.
Resource persons:	Four consultants

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), Labour Administration Convention, 1978 (No. 150), Tripartite Consultation (Activities of the International Labour Organisation) Recommendation, 1976 (No. 152), Labour Administration Recommendation, 1978 (No. 158)
Working language:	English

## Conditions of work and equality

### ***I/20. Seventh ASEAN Forum on Migrant Labour: Towards the ASEAN Community by 2015***

Proposed date:	20–21 November 2014
Place:	Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar
Financing:	Government of Canada (US\$22,500) Government of Australia (US\$2,300) ILO regular budget (US\$5,800)
Geographical coverage:	Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	20
(b) Employers:	14
(c) Workers:	14
Purpose of the Forum:	(i) to share stakeholder experiences, challenges and good practices in the implementation of the Recommendations of the third, fourth, fifth and sixth ASEAN Forum on Migrant Labour; (ii) to share experiences and good practices in the promotion of fair and appropriate employment protection, payment of wages and adequate access to decent working and living conditions for migrant workers; (iii) to strengthen the coordination and role of key stakeholders in setting up and implementing policies and procedures to facilitate aspects of labour migration, including recruitment, preparation, protection abroad as well as return and reintegration; and (iv) to draft the recommendations of the Forum.

Resource persons:	One regional professor of economics One senior researcher in cultural, educational and social issues
Observers:	Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) International Organization for Migration (IOM) UN Women Public Services International (PSI) Task Force on ASEAN Migrant Workers Representatives of national and regional civil society organizations
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work, Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143), Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189), ILO Multilateral Framework on Labour Migration
Working language:	English

***I/21. Interregional Meeting on Realizing a Fair Migration Agenda: Labour flows between Asia and Arab States***

Proposed date:	3–4 December 2014
Place:	Kathmandu, Nepal
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$30,000) Government of Switzerland (US\$23,250) European Union (US\$6,750)
Geographical coverage:	Bahrain, Bangladesh, India, Indonesia, Kuwait, Nepal, Oman, Pakistan, Philippines, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sri Lanka, United Arab Emirates
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	13
(b) Employers:	5
(c) Workers:	5
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to propose ways to reduce migration costs, eliminate forced labour and increase protection for migrant domestic and construction workers; (ii) to share regional experience in certification and recognition of skills with a focus on construction and domestic work;

- (iii) to increase the development impact of migration through discussion on how savings and investments from remittances can be enhanced and the role of the private sector; and
- (iv) to develop stronger partnerships through a review of bilateral agreements between governments and trade unions for the protection of migrant workers.

Resource persons:

Three researchers from Asia  
Three researchers from the Arab States  
One speaker from the Government of Republic of Korea  
One international expert  
One representative from the World Bank  
One representative from Migrant Forum Asia

Observers:

International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)  
International Organisation of Employers (IOE)  
ASEAN Trade Union Council (ATUC)  
South Asian Regional Trade Union Council (ARTUC)  
Confederation of Asia–Pacific Employers (CAPE)  
International Organization for Migration (IOM)  
UN Women  
Swiss Development Cooperation  
European Union (EU)

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:

Protection of Wages Convention, 1949 (No. 95), Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143), Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981 (No. 155), Private Employment Agencies Convention, 1997 (No. 181), Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 2006 (No. 187), Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189), Migrant Workers Recommendation, 1975 (No. 151), Safety and Health in Construction Recommendation, 1988 (No. 175)

Working language:

English



## **I/22. Capacity-building Workshop on Work Statistics and Labour Migration Statistics**

Proposed date:	15–19 December 2014
Place:	Johannesburg, South Africa
Financing:	RBTC (US\$73,300)
Geographical coverage:	Angola, Botswana, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Kenya, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Rwanda, Seychelles, South Africa, Swaziland, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	34
(b) Employers:	3
(c) Workers:	3
Purpose of the Workshop:	<p>(i) to build capacity in labour statistics with a focus on the new framework for work statistics and its implementation through labour force surveys (LFS);</p> <p>(ii) to enhance the capacity of participants to construct indicators to measure and monitor labour migration through household surveys; and</p> <p>(iii) to promote the sharing of good practices in LFS design and operations.</p>
Observers:	<p>Southern African Development Community (SADC)</p> <p>Southern African Trade Union Coordination Council (SATUCC)</p>
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Resolutions of the 19th International Conference on Labour Statistics
Working languages:	English, French and Portuguese

## **I/23. Subregional Meeting to Strengthen Constituents' Capacity to Use the Road Transport Sector HIV/AIDS Toolkit**

Proposed date:	24–25 February 2015
Place:	Johannesburg, South Africa
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$25,000)
Geographical coverage:	Malawi, Mozambique, South Africa, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe

Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	6
(b) Employers:	6
(c) Workers:	6
Purpose of the Meeting:	<p>(i) to build and strengthen the capacity of constituents in the road transport sector to use the road transport training toolkit “Driving for change – a training toolkit on HIV/AIDS for the road transport sector” to conduct training in their own organizations;</p> <p>(ii) to compile a list of follow-up activities whereby participants will implement and disseminate the knowledge gained; and</p> <p>(iii) to establish an up-to-date pool of instructors who are knowledgeable about new developments, issues and needs regarding the HIV response in the road transport sector.</p>
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	HIV and AIDS Recommendation, 2010, (No. 200)
Working languages:	English and Portuguese

**I/24. Employers’ Regional Workshop: The business response to preventing forced labour of migrant workers**

Proposed date:	5–6 March 2015
Place:	Ho Chi Minh City, Viet Nam
Financing:	Government of Canada (US\$40,000)
Geographical coverage:	Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
Employers:	20
Purpose of the Workshop:	<p>(i) to explore the business case for combatting forced labour;</p> <p>(ii) to examine the legal aspects of forced labour; and</p> <p>(iii) to discuss how to eliminate forced labour in company operations.</p>
Resource persons:	Six resource persons: international experts, industry experts and academics

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts: Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Protocol of 2014 to the Forced Labour Convention, 1930, Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143), Migration for Employment Recommendation (Revised), 1949 (No. 86), Migrant Workers Recommendation, 1975 (No. 151), Forced Labour (Supplementary Measures) Recommendation, 2014 (No. 203)

Working language: English

### **I/25. TRIANGLE<sup>11</sup> Subregional Advisory Committee (SURAC) Meeting**

Proposed date: 25–27 March 2015

Place: Phnom Penh, Cambodia

Financing: Government of Australia (US\$20,000)  
Government of Canada (US\$20,000)

Geographical coverage: Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam

Composition of participants:

(a) Governments: 10

(b) Employers: 10

(c) Workers: 10

Purpose of the Meeting:

- (i) to strengthen in-country, bilateral and multilateral cooperation between tripartite constituents working with the TRIANGLE projects;
- (ii) to consider the findings of the mid-term evaluation of the ASEAN TRIANGLE project and the impact evaluation of the GMS TRIANGLE project among partners working within each country;
- (iii) to create a strategy for the 2015 work plan for the ASEAN TRIANGLE project and potential next phase of the GMS TRIANGLE that responds to the needs of key constituent partners.

<sup>11</sup> Tripartite Action to Protect Migrant Workers within and from the Greater Mekong Subregion from Labour Exploitation.

Resource persons:	ASEAN secretariat ASEAN Trades Union Council (ATUC) ASEAN Confederation of Employers (ACE) GMS TRIANGLE implementing partners
Observers:	European Union (EU) Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) United States Agency for International Development (USAID) Government of Australia, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade Government of Canada, Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development UN Women International Organization for Migration (IOM) Australia–Asia Program to Combat Trafficking in Persons (AAPTIP)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143), Private Employment Agencies Convention, 1997 (No. 181), Work in Fishing Convention, 2007 (No. 188), Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189), and the ILO Multilateral Framework on Labour Migration
Working language:	English

## Sectoral activities

### ***I/26. Regional Workshop on Improving Safety and Health in Mining***

Proposed date:	16–18 December 2014
Place:	Jakarta, Indonesia
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$30,500)
Geographical coverage:	Australia, China, India, Indonesia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	7
(b) Employers:	7
(c) Workers:	7

Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to increase understanding of how health and safety can be improved in mining by improving risk management;
	(ii) encouraging cooperation between governments, employers' and workers' organizations; and
	(iii) assisting member States in making use of codes of practice and implementing international labour standards
Observers:	International Organisation of Employers (IOE) International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) International Council on Mining and Metals (ICMM) IndustriALL
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981 (No. 155), Safety and Health in Mines Convention, 1995 (No. 176), Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 2006 (No. 187)
Working language:	English

### ***I/27. Subregional Workshop on Good Human Resource Practices in the Teaching Profession***

Proposed date:	9–11 March 2015
Place:	Nairobi, Kenya
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$40,000)
Geographical coverage:	Kenya, Rwanda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	8
(b) Employers:	4
(c) Workers:	8
Purpose of the Workshop:	To train participants on good human resource practices in the teaching profession, in order to address the issue of teacher capacity in line with the ILO's decent work agenda
Observers:	United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) World Bank Group

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), and ILO/UNESCO Recommendation concerning the Status of Teachers, 1966
Working language:	English

**I/28. Regional Meeting on the Protection of Migrant Fishers**

Proposed date:	28–29 April 2015
Place:	Jakarta, Indonesia
Financing:	Government of Canada (US\$50,000) Government of Australia (US\$5,000)
Geographical coverage:	Cambodia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	16 (2 per country)
(b) Employers:	9 (1 per country, plus 1 regional representative)
(c) Workers:	9 (1 per country, plus 1 regional representative)
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to review national policy and legislative frameworks on work in fishing and the implementation of recommendations from the previous Regional Meeting on work in fishing; (ii) to review the draft Guidelines on flag state inspection of working and living conditions on board fishing vessels; and (iii) to identify concrete follow-up measures for capacity building at national level as well as bilateral and regional cooperation for the protection of migrant fishers.
Resource persons:	Representatives of the Governments of Republic of Korea and New Zealand

Observers:	ASEAN secretariat Southeast Asian Fisheries Development Center (SEAFDEC) Government of Canada, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade Government of Australia, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) Australia–Asia Program to Combat Trafficking in Persons (AAPTIP) Vietnam Association of Manpower Supply (VAMAS) International Transport Workers’ Federation (ITF) International Organisation of Employers (IOE)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Work in Fishing Convention, 2007 (No. 188), Work in Fishing Recommendation, 2007 (No. 199)
Working language:	English

## Employers’ activities

### ***I/29. Employers’ Workshop for Countries and Territories of the Dutch-speaking Caribbean on the Role and Function of an Effective Employers’ Organization***

Proposed date:	20–21 November 2014
Place:	Oranjested, Aruba
Financing:	RBTC (US\$12,000)
Geographical coverage:	Suriname and the following non-metropolitan territories: Aruba, Bonaire, Curaçao, Saba, Saint Eustatius and Sint Maarten
Composition of participants:	
Employers:	24
Purpose of the Workshop:	(i) to improve knowledge of the role and function of an effective employers’ organization; (ii) to enable employers’ organizations in the Dutch-speaking Caribbean to develop policies and lobby for their acceptance through greater awareness of evidence-based research; and

(iii) to foster collaboration among employers' organizations of the Dutch-speaking Caribbean in order to establish a coordinated approach at regional forums and effective input to regional policy-making.

Resource persons:	Secretary-General of the International Organisation of Employers
Observers:	Caribbean Employers' Confederation
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144)
Working languages:	English and Dutch

### ***I/30. Subregional Workshop on the Mobilization of Resources for Employers' Organizations***

Proposed date:	24–26 February 2015
Place:	Dakar, Senegal
Financing:	RBTC (US\$30,000) FOPAO <sup>12</sup> (US\$15,000)
Geographical coverage:	Benin, Burkina Faso, Cabo Verde, Côte d'Ivoire, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Togo
Composition of participants:	
Employers:	16
Purpose of the Workshop:	To strengthen the competency of staff of employers' organizations with respect to mobilizing resources
Resource persons:	Two consultants from West Africa
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), and the ILC resolution on tripartism and social dialogue, 2002
Working languages:	English and French

<sup>12</sup> Federation of Employers' Organizations of West Africa.



**I/31. Regional Meeting for Employers on Fostering Female Talent in the Labour Market: Women in business and management in Asia and the Pacific**

Proposed date:	4–5 May 2015
Place:	Singapore
Financing:	Government of Norway (US\$60,000)
Geographical coverage:	Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, China, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Islamic Republic of Iran, Japan, Republic of Korea, Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Myanmar, Pakistan, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
Employers:	19
Purpose of the Meeting:	(i) to present a regional report Women in Business Management, containing the latest information on the topic as well as other regional research conducted by the ILO and other international agencies; and  (ii) to provide a platform to understand trends in the region and to highlight good practices by employers’ organizations and companies.
Resource persons:	Experts from academia, international agencies and business consultancies  CEOs and HR directors of companies from the region
Observers:	Singapore National Employers’ Federation, as well as other multinational and national companies in the region
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Workers with Family Responsibilities Convention, 1981 (No. 156), Maternity Protection Convention, 2000 (No. 183)
Working language:	English

**I/32. Subregional Workshop on the Enabling Environment for Sustainable Enterprise (ESEE) for Employers’ Organizations in CIS countries**

Proposed date:	20–21 April 2015
Place:	Tbilisi, Georgia
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$50,000)
Geographical coverage:	Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russian Federation, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan

Composition of participants:	
Employers:	18
Purpose of the Workshop:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) to build awareness of the EESE toolkit, its methodology, contents and its advantages to the employers' organizations;</li> <li>(ii) to strengthen the capacity of the participating employers' organizations to develop draft action plans for implementing the EESE toolkit at national level; and</li> <li>(iii) to raise awareness among financial and development partners of the importance of the implementation of action plans at the national level.</li> </ul>
Resource persons:	Two resource persons from employers' organizations in countries where the ILO EESE methodology has already been successfully applied
Observers:	<p>International Organisation of Employers (IOE)</p> <p>European Commission</p> <p>Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs, Economic Cooperation and Development (SECO)</p> <p>Swiss Development Cooperation (SDC)</p>
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189)
Working languages:	English and Russian

## Workers' activities

### ***I/33. Steering Committee of the Caribbean Domestic Workers' Network (CDWN)***

Proposed date:	8–9 January 2015
Place:	Kingston, Jamaica
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$10,800)
Geographical coverage:	Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Guyana, Jamaica, Trinidad and Tobago
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	6
Purpose of the meeting:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) to share information on progress made towards organizing domestic workers and providing services;</li> <li>(ii) to assess strategies employed in campaigns for decent work for domestic workers and determine where improvements could be made; and</li> </ul>

(iii) to develop a detailed implementation plan for the activities proposed by the Caribbean Domestic Workers' Network (CDWN) for 2015.

Observers:	Jamaica Household Workers Union (JHWU)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189)
Working language:	English

### **I/34. Communication: Tools and Skills for Mobilizing and Organizing Workers**

Proposed date:	15–17 April 2015
Place:	Bangkok, Thailand
Financing:	ACFTU <sup>13</sup> (US\$60,000)
Geographical coverage:	Bangladesh, China, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Timor-Leste
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	30
Purpose of the meeting:	<p>(i) to explore how communications technology can be used as a tool for organizing and mobilizing workers;</p> <p>(ii) to discuss a communications strategy for workers and share experiences of relationships with the media;</p> <p>(iii) to develop skills for writing and communicating with the media; and</p> <p>(iv) to familiarize participants with ILO communications resources.</p>
Resource persons:	Communications consultants
Observers:	International Trade Union Confederation, Asia and the Pacific (ITUC–AP) Global Union Federations (GUFs)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98)
Working language:	English

<sup>13</sup> All-China Federation of Trade Unions.

**I/35. Subregional Training for Workers' Organizations**

Proposed date:	8–12 April 2015
Place:	Astana, Kazakhstan
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$45,000)
Geographical coverage:	Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Republic of Moldova, Russian Federation, Tajikistan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	25
Purpose of the meeting:	To present the ILO guide “National employment policies for workers’ organizations” and train participants on its use
Resource persons:	Experts from ITUC–PERC <sup>14</sup>
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Minimum Wage Fixing Convention, 1970 (No. 131), Termination of Employment Convention, 1982 (No. 158)
Working languages:	English and Russian

**I/36. Regional Seminar on Wages and Productivity: Union strategies for wage rises and improved living standards**

Proposed date:	20–22 April 2015
Place:	Phnom Penh, Cambodia
Financing:	ACFTU (US\$60,000)
Geographical coverage:	Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Japan, Republic of Korea, Malaysia, Myanmar, New Zealand, Pakistan, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	32
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to review wage developments in the Asia and the Pacific region; (ii) to understand the links between wage rises and improved productivity; and (iii) to strengthen the role of trade unions in wage bargaining.

<sup>14</sup> International Trade Union Confederation, Pan-European Regional Council.

Resource persons:	Four consultants in industrial relations, wages and productivity and development
Observers:	International Trade Union Confederation, Asia and the Pacific (ITUC-AP) Global Union Federations
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Minimum Wage Fixing Convention, 1970 (No. 131), Minimum Wage Fixing Recommendation, 1970 (No. 135)
Working language:	English

## Partnerships and field support

### ***I/37. Regional Seminar on Assessing the Contribution of the ILO–Korea Partnership Programme in Achieving Decent Work Outcomes in Asia***

Proposed date:	27 April 2015
Place:	Bangkok, Thailand
Financing:	Government of Republic of Korea (US\$12,800)
Geographical coverage:	Cambodia, Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Myanmar, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	4
(b) Employers:	4
(c) Workers:	4
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to share the assessment of the impact of the ILO–Korea Partnership Programme in four Asian countries for the period 2009–14; and (ii) to propose recommendations for multilateral and bilateral cooperation with the Government of Republic of Korea in regional initiatives.
Resource persons:	Government of Republic of Korea, Ministry of Employment and Labour Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA) One regional consultant

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts: ILO core Conventions<sup>15</sup>

Working language: English

### Additional information

#### **II/1. *Regional Meeting on Labour Market Transitions of Young Women and Men in Europe and Central Asia***<sup>16</sup>

Original date: 18–19 November 2014

New date: 28–29 April 2015

Original venue: Skopje, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

New venue: Geneva, Switzerland

Geneva, 13 March 2015

<sup>15</sup> Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100), Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182).

<sup>16</sup> GB.322/INF/2, para. I/5.

## Timetable of approved symposia, seminars, workshops and similar meetings

<i>Date</i>	<i>Title of meeting</i>	<i>Place</i>
<b>AFRICA</b>		
<b>2015</b>		
9–11 March	Subregional Workshop on Good Human Resource Practices in the Teaching Profession	Nairobi, Kenya
27–29 April	Tripartite Meeting of African Members of the ILO Governing Body	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
11–15 May	ARLAC Regional Workshop on Employment of People with Disabilities	Harare, Zimbabwe
27–31 July	ARLAC Regional Workshop on Labour Inspection and Gender Equality	Harare, Zimbabwe
17–21 August	ARLAC Regional Workshop on Employment Injury Compensation Schemes	Harare, Zimbabwe
28 September–2 October	ARLAC Regional Workshop on International Labour Standards: Ratification, supervision and reporting	Harare, Zimbabwe
<b>ASIA AND THE PACIFIC</b>		
<b>2015</b>		
5–6 March	Employers' Regional Workshop: The business response to preventing forced labour of migrant workers	Ho Chi Minh City, Viet Nam
8–14 March	Subregional Workshop on Improving Labour Relations through Social Dialogue in the ASEAN region	Seoul, Republic of Korea
9–13 March	Peer Review of Youth Employment Policies, Programmes and Institutions of Tajikistan	Dushanbe, Tajikistan
17–19 March	Regional Workshop on Strengthening Quality Assurance Mechanisms through Capacity Building and Knowledge Sharing	Bangkok, Thailand
25–27 March	TRIANGLE Subregional Advisory Committee (SURAC) Meeting	Phnom Penh, Cambodia
15–17 April	Communication: Tools and Skills for Mobilizing and Organizing Workers	Bangkok, Thailand
20–22 April	Regional Seminar on Wages and Productivity: Union strategies for wage rises and improved living standards	Phnom Penh, Cambodia
27 April	Regional Seminar on Assessing the Contribution of the ILO–Korea Partnership Programme in Achieving Decent Work Outcomes in Asia	Bangkok, Thailand
28–29 April	Regional Meeting on the Protection of Migrant Fishers	Jakarta, Indonesia
4–5 May	Regional Meeting for Employers on Fostering Female Talent in the Labour Market: Women in business and management in Asia and the Pacific	Singapore

<i>Date</i>	<i>Title of meeting</i>	<i>Place</i>
<b>LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN</b>		
<b>2015</b>		
3–4 March	Ninth Meeting of Ministers of Labour of the English- and Dutch-speaking Caribbean	Nassau, Bahamas
27–29 April	MERCOSUR Meeting: Networks of employers and trade unions against child labour	Buenos Aires, Argentina
<b>EUROPE</b>		
<b>2015</b>		
8–12 April	Subregional Training for Workers' Organizations	Astana, Kazakhstan
20–21 April	Subregional Workshop on the Enabling Environment for Sustainable Enterprise (ESEE) for Employers' Organizations in CIS countries	Tbilisi, Georgia
20–24 April	Subregional Meeting of the Members of the Youth Employment Network	Krasnoyarsk, Russian Federation
28–29 April	Regional Meeting on Labour Market Transitions of Young Women and Men in Europe and Central Asia	Geneva, Switzerland
<b>ARAB STATES</b>		
<b>2015</b>		
24–25 March	Regional Workshop on Reporting on Child Labour Conventions	Amman, Jordan