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## Submissions approved between March and June 2015

### Knowledge management

#### ***I/1. Interregional Meeting on the Revision of the International Classification of Status in Employment: First Working Group Meeting***

Proposed date:	6–8 May 2015
Place:	Geneva, Switzerland
Financing:	RBTC (US\$20,000)
Geographical coverage:	Argentina, Australia, Azerbaijan, Brazil, Cameroon, Chile, China, Finland, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Japan, Mexico, South Africa, Spain, Switzerland, Tunisia, Uganda, United Kingdom, United States
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	21
(b) Employers:	2
(c) Workers:	2
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to launch a working group whose function will be to advise and assist the Office on technical work to revise the International Classification of Status in Employment (ICSE-93); and  (ii) to prepare a draft resolution for discussion at a Tripartite Meeting of Experts on Labour Statistics, in preparation for consideration at the 20th International Conference of Labour Statisticians in 2018.

Observers:	Economic and Statistical Observatory for sub-Saharan Africa (AFRISTAT) Interstate Statistical Committee of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS-STAT) European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (EUROFOUND) European Commission – EUROSTAT Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) UN Statistics Division Women in Informal Employment: Globalizing and Organizing (WIEGO)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Social Security (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1952 (No. 102), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Workers with Family Responsibilities Convention, 1981 (No. 156), Termination of Employment Convention, 1982 (No. 158), Labour Statistics Convention, 1985 (No. 160), Private Employment Agencies Convention, 1997 (No. 181), Maternity Protection Convention, 2000 (No. 183), Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189), Labour Statistics Recommendation, 1985 (No. 170), Part-Time Work Recommendation, 1994 (No. 182), Private Employment Agencies Recommendation, 1997 (No. 188), Employment Relationship Recommendation, 2006 (No. 198), Domestic Workers Recommendation, 2011 (No. 201), Social Protection Floors Recommendation, 2012 (No. 202), and ICSE-93
Working language:	English

### ***1/2. Interregional Meeting on the Training of Trainers for Pilot Labour Force Statistics Studies***

Proposed date:	19–21 May 2015
Place:	Geneva, Switzerland
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$51,000)
Geographical coverage:	Côte d’Ivoire, Ecuador, Republic of Moldova, Namibia, Philippines, Tunisia
Composition of participants:	
Governments:	12

Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to train staff of national statistical offices on the methodology proposed by the ILO to conduct pilot studies;
	(ii) to launch the partnership between the ILO and participating institutions in the development of survey methodologies; and
	(iii) to establish a working group for sharing of experience and good practice in labour force survey data collection methods.
Resource persons:	One consultant in cognitive interviewing techniques
Observers:	United Nations Foundation, Data 2X project World Bank Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) African Development Bank (ADB) Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Labour Statistics Convention, 1985 (No. 160), and 19th International Conference of Labour Statisticians, Resolution I
Working languages:	English, French and Spanish

## Employment policy

### ***I/3. Regional Meeting on Innovative Experiences in Formalizing Youth Employment***

Proposed date:	22–24 April 2015
Place:	Lima, Peru
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$90,000)
Geographical coverage:	Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Jamaica, Mexico, Peru, Uruguay
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	7
(b) Employers:	7
(c) Workers:	7

Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to promote the exchange of experiences and collect best practices about what works in promoting the formalization of youth employment; and  (ii) to develop a set of recommendations for consideration by the ILO's constituents, with the purpose of promoting the formalization of youth employment within the framework of policies and/or strategies relating to the employment of young people.
Resource persons:	Five experts in youth employment
Observers:	Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)  World Bank  Andean Development Corporation  United Nations
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), and Protocol, Employment Service Convention, 1948 (No. 88), Protection of Wages Convention, 1949 (No. 95), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Minimum Wage Fixing Convention, 1970 (No. 131), Part-Time Work Convention, 1994 (No. 175), Employment Service Recommendation, 1948 (No. 83), Protection of Wages Recommendation, 1949 (No. 85), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Recommendation, 1958 (No. 111), Employment Policy Recommendation, 1964 (No. 122), Minimum Wage Fixing Recommendation, 1970 (No. 135), Part-Time Work Recommendation, 1994 (No. 182), and Job Creation in Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises Recommendation, 1998 (No. 189)
Working languages:	English and Spanish

**I/4. 42nd Meeting of the Technical Committee of CINTERFOR**

Proposed date:	12–15 May 2015
Place:	Buenos Aires, Argentina
Financing:	Government of Argentina (US\$100,000)  Members of the IFP <sup>2</sup> network (US\$85,000)  CINTERFOR (US\$75,800)

<sup>2</sup> Professional training institutions.

Geographical coverage:	Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Plurinational State of Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, United States, Uruguay, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	37
(b) Employers:	8
(c) Workers:	8
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to present and discuss new guidelines for the relaunch of the Centre and for the improvement of its research activities, assisted by the elaboration of employment and training policies, the transfer of methodologies and capacity building through technical assistance and training; and  (ii) to disseminate information on progress of the IFP network and to share good experiences of professional training in Argentina in order to help energize South–South cooperation in the field.
Observers:	Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)  World Bank  Organization of Ibero-American States for Education, Science and Culture (OEI)  United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)  Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)  United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)  Development Bank of Latin America (CAF)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), and Human Resources Development Recommendation, 2004 (No. 195)
Working languages:	English, Spanish and Portuguese

**I/5. Regional Meeting on Boosting Youth Employment through Public Works Programmes**

Proposed date:	29–30 June 2015
Place:	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$76,000)
Geographical coverage:	Egypt, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Rwanda, South Africa, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	8
(b) Employers:	8
(c) Workers:	8
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to facilitate and promote the exchange of experiences and good practices on what works in boosting youth employment through public works programmes (PWPs); and (ii) to develop a set of recommendations for ILO constituents on how to design PWPs in a way that boosts labour market outcomes for young people, in the framework of policies and/or strategies relating to youth employment.
Resource persons:	Three international experts on public works programmes
Observers:	United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) World Bank African Development Bank (AfDB) Organisation of African Youth



Relevance to international labour standards and other texts: Reduction of Hours of Work (Public Works) Convention, 1936 (No. 51), Employment Service Convention, 1948 (No. 88), Labour Clauses (Public Contracts) Convention, 1949 (No. 94), Protection of Wages Convention, 1949 (No. 95), Social Security (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1952 (No. 102), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Minimum Wage Fixing Convention, 1970 (No. 131), Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981 (No. 155), Safety and Health in Construction Convention, 1988 (No. 167), Part-Time Work Convention, 1994 (No. 175), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182), 93rd Session of the ILC (2005) resolution concerning youth employment and 101st Session of the ILC (2012) resolution on youth employment crisis: A call for action

Working language: English

### ***I/6. Regional Training on Skills Anticipation***

Proposed date: 29 June–3 July 2015

Place: Bangkok, Thailand

Financing: ILO regular budget (US\$49,900)

Geographical coverage: Bangladesh, Fiji, Nepal, Philippines, Thailand, Viet Nam

Composition of participants:

(a) Governments: 6

(b) Employers: 6

(c) Workers: 6

Purpose of the meeting:

(i) to provide a conceptual overview of different approaches to identifying and anticipating skill needs and related labour market information;

(ii) to examine models and methodologies for identification and anticipation of skill needs;

(iii) to explore institutional arrangements involving partnerships between governments, workers and employers; and

(iv) to show how data can be used to improve policy planning.

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts: Human Resources Development Recommendation, 2004 (No. 195)

Working language: English

**I/7. Subregional Meeting: Peer review of youth employment policies, programmes and institutions of Azerbaijan**

Proposed date:	6–10 July 2015
Place:	Baku, Azerbaijan
Financing:	Lukoil (US\$23,800)
Geographical coverage:	Azerbaijan, Russian Federation, Uzbekistan
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	20
(b) Employers:	5 (including three local)
(c) Workers:	5 (including three local)
Purpose of the meeting:	<p>(i) to increase knowledge of effective labour market policies and employment services which promote youth employment;</p> <p>(ii) to explore how to effectively formulate, implement and evaluate labour market programmes that assist young people to enter the labour market and have access to decent work;</p> <p>(iii) to strengthen bilateral cooperation; and</p> <p>(iv) to improve the capacity of the country under review for policy making, by means of feedback from peers in other countries.</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/8. Regional Meeting on Employment Policy and Decent Work**

Proposed date:	15–24 July 2015
Place:	Lima, Peru
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$45,000) RBTC (US\$15,000) International Training Centre, Turin (US\$15,000)
Geographical coverage:	Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	27
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to explore the role of trade union organizations in the preparation, formulation, implementation, evaluation, and follow-up of employment policies in coherence with the sectoral, commercial and socio-economic policies; (ii) to identify shortfalls in terms of employment for workers in the informal and rural economy; and (iii) to develop a trade union strategy to influence policies of employment and decent work, at the regional, subregional and national level.
Resource persons:	One regional trade union expert Two international trade union experts
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Employment Service Convention, 1948 (No. 88), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Employment Promotion and Protection against Unemployment Convention, 1988 (No. 168), Employment Policy Recommendation, 1964 (No. 122), Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (Disabled Persons) Recommendation, 1983 (No. 168), Employment Promotion and Protection against Unemployment Recommendation, 1988 (No. 176), Job Creation in Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises Recommendation, 1998 (No. 189), Employment Relationship Recommendation, 2006 (No. 198)
Working language:	Spanish

**I/9. Regional Meeting on Green Jobs for Youth**

Proposed date:	14–16 October 2015
Place:	Beijing, China
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$73,300) RBTC (US\$10,000)
Geographical coverage:	Bangladesh, China, Indonesia, Philippines, Samoa, Sri Lanka
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	6
(b) Employers:	6
(c) Workers:	6
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to improve understanding of Green Jobs for Youth projects and programmes; (ii) to enhance capacity to assess options for promoting Green Jobs for Youth at the national level; and (iii) to strengthen collaboration and networking among tripartite constituents across the region, particularly in relation to green jobs and youth employment.
Resource persons:	Two national experts from Asia and the Pacific region Three experts from other regions
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	102nd Session of the ILC (2013) conclusions on sustainable development, decent work and green jobs; 101st Session of the ILC (2012) conclusions of the youth development crisis: A call for action; 93rd Session of the ILC (2005) resolution concerning youth employment; Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142)
Working language:	English

## Social protection

### ***I/10. Subregional Seminar on Enhancing Social Protection in an Integrated ASEAN<sup>4</sup> Community***

Proposed date:	25–26 August 2015
Place:	Jakarta, Indonesia
Financing:	Government of Japan (US\$40,000) Government of Canada (US\$40,000)
Geographical coverage:	Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Republic of the Union of Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	20
(b) Employers:	10
(c) Workers:	10
Purpose of the seminar:	(i) to discuss the role of social protection policies in facilitating ASEAN economic, social and cultural integration; and  (ii) to assist policy-makers and practitioners to enhance their social protection systems and improve coordination for future social security agreements and extension of social protection floors to all.
Resource persons:	One social protection expert and one social security and migration legal expert
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Social Protection Floors Recommendation, 2012 (No. 202)
Working language:	English

## Governance and tripartism

### ***I/11. South–South Cooperation Meeting on Latin America and the Caribbean free of Child Labour***

Proposed date:	30 June–2 July 2015
Place:	Brasilia, Brazil
Financing:	Government of Brazil (US\$122,700)

<sup>4</sup> Association of Southeast Asian Nations.

Geographical coverage:	Argentina, Bahamas, Plurinational State of Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	50
(b) Employers:	8
(c) Workers:	8
Purpose of the meeting:	to reach agreement on thematic areas and the mechanisms of South–South cooperation in the framework of the regional initiative for the effective reduction of child labour in Latin America and the Caribbean.
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182), Minimum Age Recommendation, 1973 (No. 146), Worst Forms of Child Labour Recommendation, 1999 (No. 190)
Working languages:	English, French, Spanish and Portuguese

**I/12. Subregional Workshop to Share Experiences of ACI<sup>5</sup> 7: Strengthening workplace compliance through labour inspection**

Proposed date:	20–24 July 2015
Place:	Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$131,500)
Geographical coverage:	Benin, Burkina Faso, Chad, Côte d’Ivoire, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Mali, Niger, Senegal, Togo
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	20
(b) Employers:	6
(c) Workers:	6
Purpose of the meeting:	to define a common strategy to strengthen workplaces by means of labour inspection.

<sup>5</sup> Area of critical importance.

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts: Labour Inspection Convention, 1947 (No. 81), Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention, 1948 (No. 87), Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), Labour Administration Convention, 1978 (No. 150), and the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work

Working language: French

**I/13. Subregional Workshop to Develop Skills and Livelihood Training Programmes for Older Children in Child Labour or At Risk**

Proposed date: 27–31 July 2015

Place: Nadi, Fiji

Financing: Government of Netherlands (US\$98,500)

Geographical coverage: Fiji, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tuvalu, Vanuatu

Composition of participants:

(a) Governments: 18

(b) Employers: 7

(c) Workers: 7

Purpose of the workshop:

- (i) to better understand the key issues in the planning and delivery of skills and livelihood training programmes for out-of-school children in child labour;
- (ii) to raise awareness of skills and livelihood training programmes, as well as best practices that the ILO has helped to implement with partners worldwide through the sharing of case studies and processes; and
- (iii) to enable participants to deliver similar training, in their own national contexts and with confidence.

Resource persons: Six experts in community work, education and development

Observers: One representative from *The Fiji Times*

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts: Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182), UN Convention of the Rights of the Child (1989)

Working language: English

**Conditions of work and equality****I/14. Regional Meeting on Realizing a Fair Migration Agenda:  
Labour flows between Asia and the Arab States**

Proposed date:	6–7 May 2015
Place:	Bali, Indonesia
Financing:	Government of Switzerland (US\$57,000) European Union (US\$12,000) Government of Canada (US\$5,500)
Geographical coverage:	Bangladesh, India, Indonesia, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	14
(b) Employers:	8
(c) Workers:	8
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to disseminate the highlights of the discussions of the experts meeting Realizing a Fair Migration Agenda, held in December 2014; and  (ii) to develop inputs to the action plan from origin countries around the five themes of the expert meeting.
Resource persons:	Four experts on migration  Two academics
Observers:	International Organisation of Employers (IOE) International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) International Organization for Migration (IOM) Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) European Union UN Women



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), Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189)
Working language:	English

### ***I/15. Interregional Dialogue on Employment of Syrian Refugees in Host Countries***

Proposed date:	28–29 July 2015
Place:	Istanbul, Turkey
Financing:	RBTC (US\$23,700)
Geographical coverage:	Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	9
(b) Employers:	5
(c) Workers:	5
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to exchange views and experiences among the countries most affected by the Syrian refugee crisis; and (ii) to explore mechanisms for the legal employment of refugees while not compromising opportunities for host communities.
Resource persons:	Three national experts
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Migration for Employment Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 97), Migrant Workers (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1975 (No. 143), and ILO core Conventions <sup>6</sup>
Working languages:	English, Arabic and Turkish

<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).

## **I/16. Regional Meeting on the Long-term Trends in the World of Work and the Effects on Inequalities**

Proposed date:	26–27 November 2015
Place:	Brussels, Belgium
Financing:	European Union (US\$130,000)
Geographical coverage:	Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, United Kingdom
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	30
(b) Employers:	30
(c) Workers:	30
Purpose of the meeting:	<p>(i) to examine the main transformations in the world of work over the last 20 years, in terms of labour market, social dialogue, conditions of work, wages and incomes;</p> <p>(ii) to investigate the effects of long-term transformations in the world of work for different income categories and with regard to inequalities;</p> <p>(iii) to review practices and policy; and</p> <p>(iv) to assess the role of social dialogue and of the social partners in reforms in the world of work.</p>
Resource persons:	12 national experts Researchers and academics
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	ILO core Conventions <sup>7</sup>
Working languages:	English and French

<sup>7</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).

## Sectoral activities

### ***I/17. Regional Workshop on Restructuring and its Effects on Employment in the Chemical and Pharmaceutical Industries***

Proposed date:	15–16 July 2015
Place:	Lima, Peru
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$39,800)
Geographical coverage:	Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Mexico, Peru, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	7
(b) Employers:	7
(c) Workers:	7
Purpose of the workshop:	<p>(i) to examine best social dialogue practices in the light of structural changes and mergers and acquisitions in the chemical and pharmaceutical industries in Latin America; and</p> <p>(ii) to discuss the feasibility of establishing a tripartite working group at regional level to promote the points of consensus adopted at the Global Dialogue Forum on Initiatives to Promote Decent and Productive Work in the Chemical Industry (November 2013).</p>
Observers:	<p>International Organisation of Employers (IOE)</p> <p>International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)</p> <p>International Chemical Employers' Labour Relations Committee (LRC)</p> <p>IndustriALL Global Union</p>
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	<p>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)</p>
Working languages:	English and Spanish

### ***I/18. Regional Meeting to Promote Social Dialogue on Financial Services Reforms***

Proposed date:	5–6 August 2015
Place:	Jakarta, Indonesia
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$67,000)
Geographical coverage:	Australia, China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Philippines
Composition of participants:	
(a) Governments:	7
(b) Employers:	7
(c) Workers:	7
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to monitor the impact of reforms on employment and the social and labour dimensions in the sector; and (ii) to provide a platform for the governments and the social partners to exchange experiences, with a view to addressing the social and labour dimensions of the reform processes.
Resource persons:	One expert from the International Organisation of Employers and one expert from UNI Global Union
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), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144)
Working languages:	English, French, Spanish and Bahasa Indonesian

### **Employers' activities**

### ***I/19. Subregional Meeting on Communication Training for Effective Advocacy and Policy Development***

Proposed date:	19–20 May 2015
Place:	Bangkok, Thailand
Financing:	Government of Norway (US\$38,000)
Geographical coverage:	Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Philippines, Viet Nam

## Composition of participants:

Employers:	15
Purpose of the meeting:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) to assist employers' organizations to establish a communication strategy by establishing goals and objectives to achieve intended policy results;</li> <li>(ii) to identify audiences as well as potential influences who can become partners for advocacy campaigns; and</li> <li>(iii) to build clear, compelling, concise and consistent and tailored messages, communicate results and influence policy-makers.</li> </ul>
Resource persons:	<p>Two employer specialists</p> <p>Two communications specialists</p>
Working language:	English

**I/20. Subregional Meeting for Employers on Strengthening the Capacity of the Caribbean Employers' Confederation (CEC) and its Members**

Proposed date:	22–24 June 2015
Place:	Bridgetown, Barbados
Financing:	European Union (US\$55,000)
Geographical coverage:	Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago
Composition of participants:	
Employers:	30
Purpose of the meeting:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) to identify topics for future policy work;</li> <li>(ii) to determine the best approach to institutionalize social dialogue at the national level; and</li> <li>(iii) to increase employer awareness of the ILO core Conventions.</li> </ul>
Resource persons:	President of the CEC
Observers:	European Union

Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), and ILO core Conventions <sup>8</sup>
Working language:	English

### ***I/21. Employers' Meeting on Innovative Experiences in Formalizing Youth Employment***

Proposed date:	2–3 July 2015
Place:	Lima, Peru
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$36,300)
Geographical coverage:	Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Jamaica, Mexico, Peru, Uruguay, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
Composition of participants:	
Employers:	10
Purpose of the meeting:	(i) to document and systematize innovative experiences, in both the public and private sectors, that at different levels, are promoting youth entrepreneurship; (ii) to develop a regional mapping of business organizations which carry out leadership programmes with young entrepreneurs and/or entrepreneurship programmes for young people; and (iii) to establish recommendations and/or guidelines that can be taken into account in the design of employment programmes and policies aimed at young people.
Resource persons:	Five international experts in youth employment
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 (No. 142), Job Creation in Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises Recommendation, 1998 (No. 189), 101st Session of the ILC (2012) resolution on the youth employment crisis: A call for action
Working languages:	English and Spanish

<sup>8</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).

## Workers' activities

### ***I/22. Regulatory and Legislative Overview of Freedom of Association and Collective Bargaining in Latin America and the Caribbean***

Proposed date:	13–16 April 2015
Place:	San José, Costa Rica
Financing:	ILO regular budget (US\$37,000)
Geographical coverage:	Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Guatemala, Panama, Paraguay, Peru
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	27
Purpose of the meeting:	<p>(i) to assess the current status of legislation on freedom of association and collective bargaining, based on available trade union, governmental and academic studies, and as a result of the comments and recommendations specified by the ILO's supervisory bodies;</p> <p>(ii) to identify shortfalls in relation to rights in organization and collective bargaining; and</p> <p>(iii) to promote and support trade union strategies aimed at having an impact on the labour reform process.</p>
Resource persons:	<p>One trade union specialist</p> <p>Three specialists in the area of labour rights</p>
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), Workers' Representatives Convention, 1971 (No. 135), Labour Relations (Public Service) Convention, 1978 (No. 151), Collective Bargaining Convention, 1981 (No.154)
Working language:	Spanish

### ***I/23. Trade Union Workshop on Employment Policies***

Proposed date:	18–22 May 2015
Place:	Tunis, Tunisia
Financing:	RBSA (US\$50,000)
Geographical coverage:	Bahrain, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Oman, Sudan, Tunisia

Composition of participants:	
Workers:	8
Purpose of the workshop:	(i) to establish a regional support network on issues surrounding employment policies; and (ii) to facilitate and strengthen workers' input into national employment policy processes.
Resource persons:	Two regional employment specialists
Observers:	International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), Tripartite Consultation (International Labour Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 144), Collective Bargaining Convention, 1981 (No. 154), Employment Promotion and Protection against Unemployment Convention, 1988 (No. 168), Employment Policy (Supplementary Provisions) Recommendation, 1984 (No. 169), Human Resources Development Recommendation, 2004 (No. 195)
Working languages:	French and Arabic

#### ***I/24. Trade Union Seminar on the Role of Trade Unions in National Employment Policies in Africa***

Proposed date:	22–26 June 2015
Place:	Kampala, Uganda
Financing:	RBTC (US\$45,000)
Geographical coverage:	Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Rwanda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	22
Purpose of the seminar:	to strengthen the capacity of participating national trade unions to engage in national employment policy discussion and development in their respective countries.
Observers:	International Trade Union Confederation, Africa Organisation of African Trade Union Unity (OATUU) East African Trade Union Confederation (EATUC) Southern African Trade Union Co-ordination Council (SATUCC)
Relevance to international labour standards and other texts:	Employment Policy Convention, 1964 (No. 122), and Employment Policy Recommendation, 1964 (No. 122)
Working languages:	English, Arabic and Portuguese



**I/25. Subregional Seminar on Freedom of Association and Collective Bargaining: Challenges and perspectives for the trade union movement**

Proposed date:	23–25 June 2015
Place:	Guatemala City, Guatemala
Financing:	RBTC (US\$15,000) Government of Norway (US\$12,300)
Geographical coverage:	Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama
Composition of participants:	
Workers:	24
Purpose of the seminar:	(i) to examine the status of trade union rights by country, in the context of action taken by the trade union movement at national and subregional level; and  (ii) to establish a trade union action plan covering national-level activities with a subregional outreach, in coordination with regional workers' organizations. <sup>9</sup>
Resource persons:	Two regional trade union experts
Observers:	Government of Norway
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), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, 1958 (No. 111), Workers' Representatives Convention, 1971 (No. 135), Rural Workers' Organisations Convention, 1975 (No. 141), Labour Relations (Public Service) Convention, 1978 (No. 151), Collective Bargaining Convention, 1981 (No. 154), Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189), Equal Remuneration Recommendation, 1951 (No. 90), Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Recommendation, 1958 (No. 111), Workers with Family Responsibilities Recommendation, 1981 (No. 165), Maternity Protection Recommendation, 2000 (No. 191)
Working language:	Spanish

Geneva, 3 June 2015

<sup>9</sup> Trade Union Confederation of the Americas (CSA) and Unified Labour Congress (CSU).



## 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>		
18–22 May	Trade Union Workshop on Employment Policies	Tunis, Tunisia
22–26 June	Trade Union Seminar on the Role of Trade Unions in National Employment Policies in Africa	Kampala, Uganda
29–30 June	Regional Meeting on Boosting Youth Employment through Public Works Programmes	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
20–24 July	Subregional Workshop to Share Experiences of ACI <sup>1</sup> 7: Strengthening workplace compliance through labour inspection	Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso
<b>ASIA AND THE PACIFIC</b>		
<b>2015</b>		
6–7 May	Regional Meeting on Realizing a Fair Migration Agenda: Labour flows between Asia and the Arab States	Bali, Indonesia
19–20 May	Subregional Meeting on Communication Training for Effective Advocacy and Policy Development	Bangkok, Thailand
29 June–3 July	Regional Training on Skills Anticipation	Bangkok, Thailand
27–31 July	Subregional Workshop to Develop Skills and Livelihood Training Programmes for Older Children in Child Labour or At Risk	Nadi, Fiji
5–6 August	Regional Meeting to Promote Social Dialogue on Financial Services Reforms	Jakarta, Indonesia
25–26 August	Subregional Seminar on Enhancing Social Protection in an Integrated ASEAN <sup>2</sup> Community	Jakarta, Indonesia
14–16 October	Regional Meeting on Green Jobs for Youth	Beijing, China
<b>LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN</b>		
<b>2015</b>		
13–16 April	Regulatory and Legislative Overview of Freedom of Association and Collective Bargaining in Latin America and the Caribbean	San José, Costa Rica
22–24 April	Regional Meeting on Innovatory Experiences in Formalizing Youth Employment	Lima, Peru
12–15 May	42nd Meeting of the Technical Committee of CINTERFOR	Buenos Aires, Argentina
22–24 June	Subregional Meeting for Employers on Strengthening the Capacity of the Caribbean Employers' Confederation (CEC) and its Members	Bridgetown, Barbados
30 June–2 July	South–South Cooperation Meeting on Latin America and the Caribbean free of Child Labour	Brasilia, Brazil
23–25 June	Subregional Seminar on Freedom of Association and Collective Bargaining: Challenges and perspectives for the trade union movement	Guatemala City, Guatemala

<sup>1</sup> Area of critical importance.

<sup>2</sup> Association of Southeast Asian Nations.

<i>Date</i>	<i>Title of meeting</i>	<i>Place</i>
2–3 July	Employers' Meeting on Innovatory Experiences in Formalizing Youth Employment	Lima, Peru
15–16 July	Regional Workshop on Restructuring and its Effects on Employment in the Chemical and Pharmaceutical Industries	Lima, Peru
15–24 July	Regional Meeting on Employment Policy and Decent Work	Lima, Peru

**EUROPE****2015**

6–8 May	Interregional Meeting on the Revision of the International Classification of Status in Employment: First Working Group Meeting	Geneva, Switzerland
19–21 May	Interregional Meeting on the Training of Trainers for Pilot Labour Force Statistics Studies	Geneva, Switzerland
6–10 July	Subregional Meeting: Peer review of youth employment policies, programmes and institutions of Azerbaijan	Baku, Azerbaijan
26–27 November	Regional Meeting on the Long-term Trends in the World of Work and the Effects on Inequalities	Brussels, Belgium

**INTERREGIONAL****2015**

28–29 July	Interregional Dialogue on Employment of Syrian Refugees in Host Countries	Istanbul, Turkey
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