110th Session, Geneva, 2022

General Discussion Committee: Decent work and the social and solidarity economy

Date: 27 May 2022

► Information for delegates registered in the General Discussion Committee: Decent work and the social and solidarity economy of the 110th Session of the International Labour Conference (2022)

Tentative plan of work

- The tentative plan of work for the General Discussion Committee: Decent work and the social and solidarity economy (CDG) as agreed by the Officers has been posted on the General Discussion Committee web page.
- The Daily bulletin, as well as the ILO Events Application, will include announcements of the General Discussion Committee sittings, any changes to the schedule, and information on the submission of amendments.

Registration in the Committee

- If, after submission of your credentials and registration in the General Discussion Committee, you have not received emails from "ILO/OIT <no-reply@zoom.us>" with invitations to join the meetings in which you have registered the day before the start of the meeting, please contact one of the following email addresses, depending on the group you belong to:
 - o Governments and invited international organizations: reloff-conf@ilo.org;
 - o Employers: actemp-conf@ilo.org;
 - o Workers: actrav-conf@ilo.org.
- If you will no longer be taking part in the deliberations, please remember to de-register from the General Discussion Committee.

Zooms links platform

 You will receive the links necessary to follow the plenary discussions of the General Discussion Committee (30-31 May and 6-9 June) through an individual invitation from "ILO/OIT <no-reply@zoom.us>", sent to the email address provided with your accreditation to the Conference. Please make sure that the "ILO/OIT <no-reply@zoom.us>" email address is on the white list of your email account (i.e. that it is a trusted sender that will not go to the junk or spam folders).

- A separate Zoom invitation will be sent to the members of the Drafting Group who will take part in the discussion, as well as to the limited number of observers who will follow the proceedings of the Drafting Group discussion (2-3 June).
- A Quick guide for remote participation in the 110th Session of the International Labour Conference (2022) is available.

Request to take the floor in the General Discussion Committee

To ensure efficient time management of the general discussion, all speakers must register
in advance of the sittings. Forms are available on the General Discussion Committee's web
page, to facilitate this process. Completed forms should reach Secretariat: cdg@ilo.org at
least 24 hours before each sitting. All requests will be acknowledged.

Statements made on behalf of groups of governments

- All statements made by Government members on behalf of a regional group or members of an intergovernmental organization, unless otherwise specified, will be reported as having been made on behalf of all Governments members of the group or organization in question who are members of the ILO and are attending the Conference.
- When speaking on behalf of only a few members of such a group, please indicate this clearly both on the form and when taking the floor.

Time limits for speeches during the general discussion segment, 30-31 May 2022

- Due to the restricted time for the general discussion segment, the Officers of the General Discussion Committee suggest differentiated speaking time limits, as follows:
 - Opening statement and general discussion on point for discussion 1 (combined into one statement).
 - Vice-Chairpersons: **10 minutes** for initial statements and **5 minutes** at the close of point for discussion 1;
 - Members speaking on behalf of regional groups and on behalf of several Committee members: **7 minutes**;
 - Individual Government members: 3 minutes; and
 - Spokespersons of international organizations: **3 minutes**.

o Points for discussion 2, 3 and 4:

- Vice-Chairpersons: **10 minutes** for initial statements for each point for discussion and **3 minutes** at the close of each point for discussion;
- Members speaking on behalf of regional groups and on behalf of several Committee members: 5 minutes for each point for discussion;
- Government members: 3 minutes for each point for discussion; and

Spokespersons of international organizations: 2 minutes.

To guarantee accurate and faithful interpretation in a virtual environment, **all statements should** reach cdg@ilo.org before each sitting.

Participation of International Non-Governmental Organizations (INGOs) in the General Discussion Committee

- Requests from INGOs reach the Secretariat by <u>Friday 27 May 10h00 (CEST)</u>. These requests will be shared with the Chairperson and Vice-Chairpersons of the Committee for approval.
- A separate Information Note is available for INGOs.

Drafting Group on conclusions

The Drafting Group on conclusions will be composed of:

- eight Government, eight Employer and eight Worker members;
- up to twelve Government representatives, eight Employers and eight workers will be allowed to follow the proceedings of the Drafting Group as Observers.

Nominations of the Drafting Group members and observers for each of the groups should reach the Secretariat **by 11h30 (CEST) on Tuesday, 31 May 2022**. A form is available on the Committee's web page, to facilitate this process. Completed forms must be sent to the Secretariat: cdg@ilo.org All nominations will be acknowledged.

Reporter of the General Discussion Committee

- The General Discussion Committee will elect its Reporter, who will present the results of the General Discussion Committee deliberations to the Conference plenary on its behalf. The Reporter may be either a delegate or an adviser. ¹ As has been general practice, the Reporter is usually from the Government group.
- The Government nomination for the Reporter should reach the General Discussion Committee secretariat (cdg@ilo.org) by 11h30 (CEST) on Tuesday, 31 May 2022 in order to ensure election by the General Discussion Committee.

Decision-making and votes in Committees

- The adoption of decisions by committees is normally made by consensus. Should consensus
 not be possible in respect of any such decisions, the decision will be made by the method of
 voting determined in accordance with the Standing Orders.
- In accordance with the Operational arrangements for the 110th Session of the International Labour Conference (27 May-11 June 2022), votes will be conducted using an electronic voting system. Access to the voting system is through a personal identification code (PIN), which will be communicated to all accredited members of delegations via the individual email addresses provided in the credentials.

¹ Standing Orders of the Conference, article 37(3).

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• In the General Discussion Committee, only members can take part in a vote, which can be taken by show of hands, record vote or secret ballot, as determined by the Chairperson in accordance with the Standing Orders of the Conference. Considering the hybrid format of the Conference, in case of a vote by show of hands, to replicate, as far as possible, the conditions of an in-person meeting, the chairing officer will announce, in addition to the global results, the results of the show of hands in each of the three constituent groups.

• Where several persons are authorized to cast a vote (for instance the titular delegate and any of their substitute delegates), the system will record the vote of the first member to cast the vote. The system will alert other persons authorized to vote if a vote has already been cast and, if that is the case, will not allow any other person to vote.

Laptops

• Due to meeting room constraints, delegates are encouraged to bring their laptops to the meeting room to follow the discussion of amendments in the language of their choice, and in the case of a vote.

Use of social media

• All members are requested to refrain from posting any information on social media about the General Discussion Committee proceedings during its work.

Contacting the General Discussion Committee secretariat

• The General Discussion Committee secretariat can be contacted by email at: cdg@ilo.org