



FIFTH ITEM ON THE AGENDA

Sectoral Activities 2010–11

**Purpose, duration and composition
of meetings to be held in 2010–11**

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

1. In March 2009, the Governing Body decided that a Global Dialogue Forum on Vocational Education and Training should be held in late 2010.¹ The Office would draft terms of reference for the preparation and agenda of the Forum, share these with constituents and relevant ILO units for their comments, and consult constituents on the composition.
2. A meeting of the Advisory Body for the Education and Research grouping held in November 2009 recommended terms of reference for the preparation of the research and discussion at the Global Dialogue Forum. The terms of reference focus on the contributions of public and private providers of vocational education and training services; training, remuneration and the teaching and learning environment of teachers and trainers in vocational education and training; and related social dialogue mechanisms. The proposed dates for the Forum to be held in Geneva are 29–30 September 2010.
3. As requested, the Office has undertaken informal consultations with constituents on the possible composition of the Forum, including regional coordinators of the Government group of the Governing Body. Bearing in mind that in the vocational education and training sector governments are often the main employers responsible for decisions concerning the principal themes of the Forum, and that private entities also play a substantial role as employers of teachers and trainers, and taking account of the budget available for sectoral activities in 2010–11, the Office proposes that the Forum be composed of five Government, five Employer and eight Worker representatives, and that other interested representatives of the three groups be invited to attend at their own cost.

¹ GB.304/PV, para. 216; GB.304/STM/1, para. 5.

- 4. The Committee may wish to recommend that the Governing Body decide that the Global Dialogue Forum on Vocational Education and Training to be held at the ILO on 29–30 September 2010 be composed of five Government, five Employer and eight Worker representatives, and that other interested representatives of the three groups be invited to attend at their own cost.***

Geneva, 8 February 2010.

Point for decision: Paragraph 4.