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Sectoral meetings held in 2018 and proposals for sectoral work in 2019

Purpose of the document

The Governing Body is invited to take note of the reports of two meetings held in the first half of 2018 (see section I), to authorize respective follow-up, including the publication of the *Code of practice on safety and health in shipbuilding and ship repair* and the *Guidelines on decent work in public emergency services*, and to endorse the proposals made in section II in relation to upcoming sectoral meetings (see the draft decision in paragraph 10).

Relevant strategic objective: Social dialogue and tripartism.

Main relevant outcome/cross-cutting policy driver: Cross-cutting policy driver: social dialogue.

Policy implications: The code of practice and the guidelines would become ILO guidance on the matter.

Legal implications: None.

Financial implications: None.

Follow-up action required: The Office would be required to follow up as proposed.

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Related documents: GB.329/POL/4; GB.329/PV; GB.331/POL/3; GB.331/PV; GB.332/POL/2.

I. Meetings held in the first half of 2018

A. Meeting of Experts to Adopt a Code of Practice on Safety and Health in Shipbuilding and Ship Repair (Geneva, 22–26 January 2018)

1. In accordance with an earlier decision of the Governing Body,¹ the Meeting was held in Geneva from 22 to 26 January 2018.
2. The Meeting was chaired by Mr César Augusto Gomez Ruiloba (Panama). The five Vice-Chairpersons were: Ms Wenhui Fei (China) and Ms Teniola Oluwayemisi Fayemi (Nigeria) from the Government group; Mr John Beckett and Mr Wirrick Williams from the Employers' group;² and Ms Deborah Vallance from the Workers' group.
3. The Meeting was attended by 22 experts – eight experts from governments, eight experts nominated by the Employers' group and six experts nominated by the Workers' group of the Governing Body. The Meeting was also attended by 22 Government observers and three Workers' advisers. There were seven observers from international non-governmental organizations.
4. The purpose of the Meeting was to review and adopt a revised Code of practice on safety and health in shipbuilding and ship repair, to replace the code adopted in 1973 on the same subject. A draft had been prepared by the Office and served as the basis for the discussions. The report summarizes the Meeting's discussions,³ which were concluded with the adoption of the revised code of practice.⁴

B. Meeting of Experts to Adopt Guidelines on Decent Work in Public Emergency Services (Geneva, 16–20 April 2018)

5. In accordance with an earlier decision of the Governing Body,⁵ the Meeting was held in Geneva from 16 to 20 April 2018.
6. The Meeting was chaired by Mr Deepak Dhital (Nepal). The three Vice-Chairpersons were: Ms Teresa Cucueco (Philippines) from the Government group; Mr Paul MacKay from the Employers' group; and Mr David Boys from the Workers' group.
7. The Meeting was attended by 24 experts – eight from governments, eight nominated by the Employers' group and eight nominated by the Workers' group of the Governing Body. In

¹ [GB.329/PV](#), para. 512 and [GB.329/POL/4](#).

² Mr Beckett was replaced as Employer Vice-Chairperson for the final two days of the Meeting by Mr Williams.

³ [MECPS/2018/6](#).

⁴ [MECPS/2018/5](#).

⁵ [GB.331/PV](#), para. 589 and [GB.331/POL/3](#).

addition, observers from 33 governments attended the Meeting. There were also eight observers from intergovernmental organizations and international non-governmental organizations.

8. The purpose of the Meeting was to review and adopt Guidelines on decent work in public emergency services. A draft had been prepared by the Office and served as the basis for the discussions. The report summarizes the Meeting's discussions,⁶ which were concluded with the adoption of the Guidelines.⁷

II. Upcoming meetings

A. Meetings to be held in the second, third and fourth quarters of 2019

9. In light of the adoption of the programme of sectoral meetings for 2018–19 by the Governing Body at its 329th Session (March 2017),⁸ the Office has prepared the attached list with proposals regarding dates, duration, official title, purpose and composition of the remaining meetings envisaged for 2019. The list complements the decisions of the Governing Body at its March 2018 session regarding sectoral meetings to be held in the second half of 2018 and the first quarter of 2019.⁹

Draft decision

10. *The Governing Body:*

- (a) *took note of the reports of the meetings referred to in section I;*
- (b) *authorized the Director-General to publish the Code of practice on safety and health in shipbuilding and ship repair (revised edition) and the Guidelines on decent work in public emergency services;*
- (c) *requested the Director-General to bear in mind, when drawing up proposals for future work, the recommendations for future action by the ILO made by the meetings referred to in section I;*
- (d) *endorsed the proposals contained in the appended table relating to the dates, duration, official title, purpose and composition of the meetings listed therein.*

⁶ MEGPES/2018/7.

⁷ [MEGPES/2018/5](#).

⁸ GB.329/PV, para. 512 and GB.329/POL/4.

⁹ [GB.332/POL/PV](#), para. 18; [GB.332/POL/2](#).

Appendix I

Programme of sectoral meetings, 2019 (April–December)

Meetings as adopted by the Governing Body (GB.329/POL/4)	Proposed dates	Proposed duration	Proposed title	Proposed purpose	Proposed composition (G–E–W)
Global Dialogue Forum on decent work in the management of electrical and electronic waste (e-waste)	9–11 April 2019	3 days	Global Dialogue Forum on Decent Work in the Management of Electrical and Electronic Waste (E-waste)	The purpose of the Global Dialogue Forum is to discuss current and emerging issues related to the promotion of decent work in the management of electrical and electronic waste (e-waste) sector, with the aim of adopting points of consensus, including recommendations for future action by the International Labour Organization and its Members.	All Governments; eight Employer participants; eight Worker participants; IGOs and NGOs as observers.
Sectoral Meeting on promoting decent work and safety and health in forestry	6–10 May 2019	5 days	Sectoral Meeting on Promoting Decent Work and Safety and Health in Forestry	The purpose of this Meeting is to discuss issues related to the promotion of decent work and safety and health in forestry. The Meeting may adopt conclusions and resolutions.	All Governments; eight Employer participants; eight Worker participants; IGOs and NGOs as observers.
Global Dialogue Forum on decent work in the world of sport	3–5 December 2019	3 days	Global Dialogue Forum on Decent Work in the World of Sport	The purpose of the Global Dialogue Forum is to discuss current and emerging issues related to the promotion of decent work in the world of sport, with the aim of adopting points of consensus, including recommendations for future action by the International Labour Organization and its Members.	All Governments; eight Employer participants; eight Worker participants; IGOs and NGOs as observers.

Appendix II

List of global sectoral meetings for the biennium 2018–19 ¹

<i>Date</i>	<i>Title of meeting</i>	<i>Place</i>
2018		
22–26 January ¹	Meeting of Experts to Adopt a Code of Practice on Safety and Health in Shipbuilding and Ship Repair	Geneva
16–20 April ²	Meeting of Experts to adopt Guidelines on Decent Work in Public Emergency Services	Geneva
18–20 September ³	Global Dialogue Forum on Employment Terms and Conditions in Tertiary Education	Geneva
1–5 October ³	13th Session of the Joint ILO/UNESCO Committee of Experts on the Application of the Recommendations concerning Teaching Personnel (CEART)	Geneva
19–20 November ⁴	Subcommittee on Wages of Seafarers of the Joint Maritime Commission	Geneva
10–12 December ³	Global Dialogue Forum on Challenges for Decent and Productive Work Arising from Digitalization in the Chemical and Pharmaceutical Industries	Geneva
2019		
25 February–1 March ³	Sectoral Meeting on the Recruitment and Retention of Seafarers and the Promotion of Opportunities for Women Seafarers	Geneva
Second quarter (tbc) ¹	Global Dialogue Forum on Decent Work in the Management of Electrical and Electronic Waste (E-waste)	Geneva
Second quarter (tbc) ¹	Sectoral Meeting on Promoting Decent Work and Safety and Health in Forestry	Geneva
Third quarter (tbc) ¹	Meeting of Experts to adopt a Code of Practice or Guidelines on Best Practices in Road Transport Safety	Geneva
Third quarter (tbc) ¹	Global Dialogue Forum on Decent Work in the World of Sport	Geneva

¹ Further to the decision adopted by the Governing Body at its 329th Session (March 2017) (GB.329/POL/4).

² Further to the decision adopted by the Governing Body at its 331st Session (October–November 2017) (GB.331/POL/3).

³ Further to the decision adopted by the Governing Body at its 332nd Session (March 2018) (GB.332/POL/2).

⁴ The meeting of the JMC Subcommittee, initially scheduled on 20–21 June 2018, was rescheduled to avoid possible disturbances with an unexpected event in Geneva on those dates.