



Promoting Jobs, Protecting People

# DIALOGUE ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND JOBS

## Shaping the COP21 Agenda of Solutions

Tuesday 12 May, 10.00-12.00

Venue: ILO, Room II, R3 South

Event languages: English and French, with simultaneous interpretation provided

The forthcoming 21<sup>st</sup> UN climate change conference (COP21) in Paris this year will be a critical and historic moment to craft and agree to a universal new climate agreement that enables the international community to act with a long-term vision of a climate neutral world in the second half of the century.

Given the scale, complexity and urgency of climate change, inclusion and decent work challenges, the world will neither have the resources nor the time to tackle them separately or consecutively. Taking a holistic approach to confront these challenges is not an option, but a necessity. Actors in the World of Work - governments, employers and workers' organizations have a key contribution to make for the global community to secure a meaningful and universal climate change agreement this year in Paris. More importantly, they will be indispensable to ensure its implementation.

By addressing climate change and putting the planet on a deep de-carbonization path, we have a unique opportunity to deliver a safer, healthier and more prosperous world and to make decent, sustainable jobs a reality to tens of millions of people around the globe.

You are cordially invited to a dialogue organised by the ILO in collaboration with the Geneva Environment Network Secretariat. This event aims at providing a platform allowing views and perspectives to be shared on ways in which the climate change and decent work agendas can be made mutually supportive, looking towards the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change COP21 (Paris, 30 November – 11 December 2015). Participants, who will include experts in environmental issues and climate change as well as tripartite representatives from the world of work, will discuss **means of action with a view to contributing to the COP21 "solutions agenda"**.

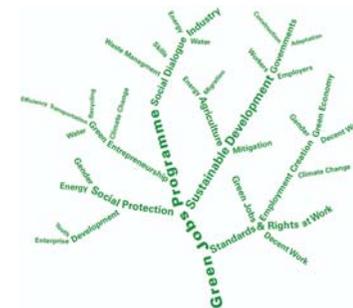
The dialogue will also serve as a stepping stone in the approach to the 104<sup>th</sup> Session of the International Labour Conference (Geneva, 1-13 June 2015), at which the World of Work Summit (Thursday, 11 June 2015) will be on Climate Change and the World of Work.

### REGISTRATION

<http://www.genevaenvironmentnetwork.org/?q=en/registration-cop21jobs>  
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## AGENDA

10:00

### Welcome and introductory remarks

- > Gilbert HOUNGBO, Deputy Director-General for Field Operations & Partnerships, ILO
- > H.E. Luis Enrique CHÁVEZ BASAGOITIA, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Peru in Geneva
- > H.E. Nicolas NIEMTCHNOW, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of France in Geneva

10:20

### Scene setting: Climate change and the world of work (a short video)

10:25

### Climate opportunities and challenges for decent work

**Climate change implications for jobs:** vital role to play to protect jobs in existing workplaces and industries by fostering industrial transformation, to organise new quality jobs in the emerging green economy.

- > H.E. Marion WILLIAMS, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Barbados in Geneva
- > Youba SOKONA, Special Advisor on Sustainable Development, South Centre

**Moderator:** Steven STONE, Chief, Economics and Trade Branch, UNEP

11:15

### Decent work solutions for climate action

**Acting today to secure jobs for tomorrow:** Just transition for workers and communities to ensure we are all part of a sustainable, low-carbon economy and benefit from decent and green jobs.

- > H.E. Boujemâa DELMI, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Algeria in Geneva
- > Representative of International Organisation of Employers
- > Anabella ROSEMBERG, International Trade Union Confederation

**Moderator:** ILO

12:00

### Wrap-up and closing

- > Peter POSCHEN, Director, ILO Enterprises Department

### For further information

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