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Labour Office - Geneva

Programme of the GURN Workshop in Novo Hamburgo, Brazil

**Trade Unions, Globalization and Development –
Strengthening Rights and Capabilities of Workers**

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Date: 23-25 January 2005

Saturday, 22 January 2005

Arrival of participants

Sunday, 23 January 2005

9.00 -10.30 Welcome by Kjeld Jakobsen, President of the Observatorio Social and Frank Hoffer, ILO/ACTRAV
Introduction: "Structure, Concept and Objective of the Workshop"
Verena Schmidt, ILO/ACTRAV
Introduction of Participants
Chair: Lene Olsen, ILO/ACTRAV

10.30-11.00 Coffee Break

11.00-13.00 Parallel Working Groups

Working Group 1: Multinational Companies/Corporate Governance

Chair: Frank Hoffer (ILO/ACTRAV), Joao Veiga (Observatorio Social)
Rapporteur: Pierre Habbard (TUAC - Trade Union Advisory Committee to the OECD)

PEGLER, Lee	Institute for Social Studies, Netherlands	Corporate Governance - Labour Governance?: Implications of Value Chains for Labour/ Union Research and Action
SCHERER, Clovis	Instituto Observatorio Social, Brazil	Evaluation of rights to freedom of association and collective bargaining at multinational companies in Brazil

Working Group 2: Poverty Reduction Strategy Papers, International Financial Institutions, Development

Chair: Thobile Yanta, Naledi
Rapporteur: Esther Busser, ICFTU Geneva

RICCIARDELLI, Marina	University of L'Aquila, Italy	Trade Unions, Poverty Reduction Strategy, International Financial Institutions.
DIENG, Sette	Various trade union activities with ACTRAV, Dakar, Senegal	Trade Unions, Poverty Reduction Strategy Papers and International Financial Institutions in West Africa

13.00-14.30 Lunch

14.30-16.30 Parallel Working Groups

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TOMEV, Lyuben	Institute for Social and Trade Union Research, Bulgaria	Multinational Companies in Bulgaria -Social and Labour Impact
SCHMIDT, Eberhard	University of Oldenburg, Germany	International Trade Union Action towards Implementation of Norms of Sustainability at Corporate Level

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Chair: Thobile Yanta, Naledi (South Africa)
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PONS-VIGNON, Nicolas	Institut français d'Afrique du Sud	Labour casualisation in South Africa: can poverty be reduced without an effective labour movement? A case study from the forestry sector
ERDOGDU, Seyhan	Ankara University, Turkey	The Alternative Economic Policies of Turkish Trade Unions and their role in the formation of IMF/World Bank Policies in Turkey

16.30-17.00 Coffee break

17.00-19.00 Parallel Working Groups

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TUDWAY, Richard	Adviser TUAC, Paris Fellow, Huron University USA in London Director, Centre for International Economics London	Corporate governance reforms as a means of protecting and promoting worker interests
GONZALEZ, Maria- Alejandra MCDONOUGH, Terrence	National University of Ireland	More than bananas: Social Responsibility Networks and labour relations in the banana industry in the Uraba Region of Colombia

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AHMED, Syed Sultan Uddin	Bangladesh Institute for Labour Studies	Does globalization entail challenges or opportunities: the Experience of Bangladesh?
CASTRO, Ariel B.	Trade Union Congress of the Philippines (TUCP)	Desk Review on the Role of Trade Unions in Poverty Reduction Programs: The Philippines Experience.

Monday, 24 January 2005

09.00-10.30 Plenary

Chair: Frank Hoffer

Kjeld Jakobsen: Presentation of the Observatorio Social

ZIDAN Leila (MARIANO Karina co-author but can not attend)	Observatorio Social	Research as an instrument of the labor union action: a reflection based on the experience of the Instituto Observatorio Social
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10.30-11.00 Coffee break

11.00-13.00 Parallel Working Groups

1. Bilateral and Multilateral Trade Agreements

Chair: Seyhan Erdogan, University of Ankara

Rapporteur: Esther Busser, ICFTU Geneva

CIBRARIO, Daria	International Institute of Labour Studies, Switzerland	Social provisions and trade agreements. To what extent is an effective linkage possible?
MAKGETLA, Neva VAN MEELIS, Tanya (co-author but cannot attend)	COSATU, South Africa	Trade and development

2. Trade Union Development

Chair: Neva Makgetla (COSATU)

Rapporteur: Lee Pegler (Institute for Social Studies, Netherlands)

SWEENEY, Sean	Cornell University, Department of Labour Studies	"Global Justice Unionism" and the problem of Ownership
FONOW, Mary Margaret FRANZWAY, Suzanne	University of South Australia Arizona State University, US	Transnational Union Networks, Feminism and Labor Advocacy

3. Migration

Chair: Verena Schmidt, ILO/ACTRAV

Rapporteur: Lene Olsen, ILO/ACTRAV

ROBLES, Alberto Jose	Instituto del Mundo, Argentine	The workers' freedom of movement: a main challenge for the trade union in the Globalization Era
LORDE, Ann-Marie	National Union of Public Workers, Barbados	Migration and Trade Unions

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DOSSOU, Siméon Toundé	Confederation of the Autonomous Trade Unions of Benin	The Economic Partnership Agreement between ECOWAS and the EU and the Approach of the Beninese Trade Unions
DE HAAN, Esther KOEN, Michael	Center for Research on Multinational Companies (SOMO NGO) Civil Society Research and Support Collective (CSRSC NGO), Netherlands	Action Research in the Garment Sector in Southern and Eastern Africa

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KANHERE, Vijay	Occupational Health and Safety Centre, in the past: agricultural trade unionism, India	Organising in the informal Economy
TANGIAN, Andranik	Hans Böckler Foundation, Germany	Liberal and trade-unionist concepts of flexicurity: Modelling in application to 16 European countries

3. Migration

Chair: Verena Schmidt, ACTRAV
Rapporteur: Lene Olsen, ACTRAV

BOINCEAN, Svetlana	Moldavia (currently University of Kassel in Germany)	Trade Unions and Migration
HARDY, Jane CLARK, Nick	University of Hertfordshire TUC, UK	EU Enlargement, Workers and Migration: Implications for Trade Unions in the UK and Poland

16.30-17.00 Coffee

17.00-19.00 Reports of Rapporteurs

Chair: Frank Hoffer, ILO/ACTRAV

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Lene Olsen, ILO/ACTRAV: | Migration |

Tuesday, 25 January 2005

09.00-12.00 Assessment of hitherto development and future prospects of GURN

Chair: Frank Hoffer, ILO/ACTRAV

Rapporteur: Verena Schmidt, ILO/ACTRAV

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12.00 Lunch