

Promoting youth employability and skills development in the Caribbean: the role of employers' organisations

Aruba, 14 and 15 November 2019



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Thursday, 14 November 2019
Aruba Trade and Industry Association (ATIA)

- 09:00** Transfer by bus from the Hotel to ATIA Headquarters
- 09:30 - 10:00** *Opening session*
Matthias Thorns, Deputy Secretary-General, International Organisation of Employers (IOE)
ATIA
Wayne Chen, President, Caribbean Employers' Council (CEC)
- 10:00 - 11:00** *Overview of Youth Employment in the Caribbean*
Kick-off
- 11:00 - 11:15** Coffee break
- 11:15 - 12:15** *Future of Work and its impact on skills in the Caribbean region*
Kick-off by IOE and Deloitte (tbc)
- 12:15 - 13:00** *National Development Trends – Tour de Table*
- 13:00 - 14:00** Lunch
- 14:00 - 14:30** *National Development Trends – Tour de Table (cont.)*
- 14:30 - 15:45** *Discussion of the draft ILO ACT/EMP report on the regional study on the potential for regional collaboration on advocacy and/or services and possible implementation*
Vanessa Phala, Senior Specialist, ACT/EMP Trinidad and Tobago
- 15:45 - 16:00** Coffee break
- 16:00 - 17:00** *Feedback from the ILO Sub-regional Labour Ministers Meeting (Barbados, May 2019) and the CEC-CCL meeting (November 2019), possible follow-up for CEC and members*
Wayne Chen, CEC

17:00 Transfer by bus to Hotel

Friday, 15 November 2019
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09:00 Transfer by bus from the Hotel to ATIA Headquarters

09:30 - 09:45 *Overview of day 1*

09:45 - 11:30 *Migration – what business in the region needs*

Kick-off by Stephanie Winet, Head of Stakeholder Engagement – GFMD Business Mechanism

11:30 - 11:45 Coffee break

11:45 - 13:15 *VET systems that deliver – learning from best practice*

Nazrene Mannie, Executive Director, Global Apprenticeships Network (GAN)
Employers' organizations
ILO Regional Office

13:15 - 14:30 Lunch

14:30 - 15:15 *Update on key issues in the ILO*

Adam Greene, Senior Adviser, ILO ACT/EMP
Vern Gill, President, St. Lucia Employers' Federation (SLEF)

15:15 - 16:00 *IOE Priorities and Activities*

16:00 - 17:00 *The way forward – How to strengthen collaboration between IOE and its Caribbean members*

Matthias Thorns, Deputy Secretary-General, International Organisation of Employers (IOE)
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Evening *ATIA Event and dinner* (more information in due course)