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COP28 Blue Zone, Thematic Arena 3 – ILO Just Transition Pavilion

Audience: IOE members, B&I Constituency, policy makers, governments

From *Loss and Damage* to *Climate Finance* to the *Just Transition Work Programme*, there are many pressing issues on the agenda and many priority areas of work and discussion. The Global Stocktake which will be the first of its kind, is expected however, to show that it is not enough and that strengthened collaborative efforts are needed across the board to accelerate progress.

What are the views, perspectives and the future outlook of leading business experts and representatives? What can employers from across the world see as the main roadblocks but also ingredients for success in coming years? How can we work together across governments, enterprises and other stakeholders to ensure the objectives of COP28 can be realised?

This event will showcase regional perspectives from national employers' organizations as well as business leaders on the progress so far in their countries, priorities for enabling further business climate action and main expectations of COP28 outcomes. It is a crucial event this year, with complex geopolitical and socio-economic challenges across the globe impacting all economies and labour markets. Negotiations are expected to be difficult with strong positions from different country blocks. This is why it is more important than ever for employers to come together and discuss openly main priorities and challenges. The outcome of COP28 will set the direction and objectives for the following years and governments, businesses and other stakeholders need to ensure appropriate capacities, regulations and frameworks are in place to transition effectively. Labour markets are facing many trends and significant changes so their resilience and sustainability will depend on smart and practical strategies from the private sector but also from governments.

How can employers across the world ensure smooth collaboration with governments and other stakeholders, how can companies engage in sustainable activities while creating employment and increasing the resilience of strategies, business models and operations?

AGENDA

Saturday, 2 December 2023

16:35-16:45 Keynote Address

Ms Shinta Kamdani

Chief Executive Officer, Sintesa Group, Indonesia, B20 One Global Women Empowerment (OGWE) Co-Chair & Chairwoman of APINDO Indonesia

16:45-17:15 Interactive panel discussion

Moderation by: Ms Rie Vejs-Kjeldgaard, ILO Director of Sustainable Enterprises, Productivity and Just Transition, International Labour Organization (ILO)

- *Ms Samia Terhzaz, Deputy Director General, Confédération générale des Entreprises du Maroc (CGEM, Morocco)*
- *Ms Marlene Mazariegos, Sustainability Manager of Cámara del Agro [the Guatemalan Chamber of Agriculture]*
- *Mr Abhishek Poddar, India Country Head, Macquarie and Managing Director, Macquarie Asset Management Real Assets*
- *Ms Shamini Harrington, Vice President Climate Change, Sasol*
- *Mr Dave Sivaprasad, Managing Director and Partner, BCG*

17:15-17:20 Closing remarks by: Ms Rie Vejs-Kjeldgaard