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Invitation to input to the ILO Sectoral Activities Agenda in 2018-2019

Dear Members,

In March 2017, the ILO Governing Body will have to adopt the programme of sectoral activities for the period 2018-2019. This decision, according to the new approach to sectoral activities adopted in 2007, will be based on the recommendations made by the various Advisory Bodies which will meet early January 2017.

To help in the design of this programme, we would be grateful if you could indicate to us, by Friday 9 September 2016 at the latest, specific activities on specific themes relating to specific sectors your federation or your members would like the ILO to undertake in the 2018-2019 sectoral activities programme. It is extremely important for the Employers’ Group to be in a position to make proposals to these Advisory Bodies that will be considered against workers’ requests.

If you decide to make suggestions, it is important that you append to it the following information with a view to helping us advocating for it during the Advisory Body meeting:

- the sector concerned
- the theme for consideration
- the detailed rationale behind your proposed theme
- the main points you would suggest for the discussion
- the type of activity you deem appropriate for this subject, i.e. “traditional” tripartite meeting, meeting of experts, global dialogue forum or study/research.

Please refer to the list of sectors by clicking on the link in the side panel.

We also thank you in advance for indicating in your response if you could consider sending an expert from the sector concerned to Geneva to present and promote the proposal at the meeting of the appropriate advisory Body the date of which will be communicated at a later stage.
The different types of possible sectoral activities are:

1. **Tripartite meeting**: traditional type of meeting, bringing together an average of 10 to 15 participants from each group to discuss and adopt conclusions on issues relating to a specific sector.

2. **Meeting of experts**: meeting convened to elaborate or revise technical documents (e.g. guidelines, manuals, etc.).

3. **Global dialogue forum**: more informal meeting (round tables) which do not lead to any negotiated conclusions, but rather to consensual common views on what the social partners and the Office can do in a specific area.

4. **Study/Research**: to better understand particular aspects of certain sectors. The results of these studies could lead to other activities, such as tripartite meetings, meetings of experts, or global dialogue fora.

Yours sincerely,

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