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Convention 169**

Global Dialogue on Convention No. 169

18-19 July 2019
ILO Headquarters, Geneva
Room IX

Context. In March 2019, the ILO Governing Body approved the holding of dialogue on the Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention, 1989 (No 169) on the occasion of the 30th anniversary of its adoption, bringing together ILO constituents and UN mechanisms on the rights of indigenous peoples. The Convention plays a key role in the promotion and protection of the rights of indigenous and tribal peoples, as well as inclusive and sustainable development and effective climate action. Guided by its Strategy for action concerning indigenous and tribal peoples, the ILO is seeking to promote awareness and understanding of the scope and content of the Convention, including through the dissemination of the work of the ILO supervisory bodies, the sharing of practical experiences and lessons learned in applying the Convention and related social dialogue. Such initiatives are also meant to contribute to promoting ratification of the Convention across all regions. Partnerships and collaboration concerning Convention No. 169, including South-South and Triangular Cooperation are a central aspect of the ILO's strategy for action.

Participants. The Global Dialogue brings together government representatives and workers' and employers' representatives from seven countries.¹ Invitations have been extended to the UN Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples, the Chair of the UN Expert Mechanisms on the rights of indigenous peoples (EMRIP), and the Chair of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Peoples' Issues (UNPFII). Furthermore, two members of the ILO Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations, as well as a worker and employer representatives, involved in the work of the Committee on the Application of Standards (CAS) of the International Labour Conference have been invited. The Permanent Missions to the United Nations and staff of UN agencies in the Geneva are invited to attend as observers.

Expected results. The meeting is expected to result in an enhanced understanding of the Convention's scope and the respective mandates and working methods of the ILO supervisory bodies and UN mechanism. As an outcome, the International Labour Office will compile a note reflecting the discussions during the meeting, highlighting lessons learned, challenges and opportunities regarding the Convention's application, as well as approaches and opportunities for future dialogue and cooperation.

¹ Colombia, Costa Rica, Peru, Guatemala, Honduras, Norway and Nepal. In identifying countries to be invited, the Office has considered countries currently receiving ILO support as regards Convention No. 169, while taking also into account the need to include countries from different regions.

DRAFT AGENDA

Thursday, 18 July

8:30-9:30	Group meetings	
9:30-10:30	<p>Opening session</p> <p>Welcome remarks by the Office</p> <p>Introductory statements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Government representative • Workers' representative • Employer representative <p>Round of introductions and brief comments by participants.</p> <p>Objectives and methodology for the meeting</p>	<p>Moderator: Manuela Tomei, Director, Conditions of Work and Equality Department</p>
10:30-11:00	Break	
11:00-12:30	<p>Convention No. 169 & the work of the ILO supervisory bodies</p> <p>The ILO supervisory mechanisms: a brief introduction by the Office</p> <p>The work of the Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendation (CEACR): <i>Comments by Judge Bentes and Prof. Pinto</i></p> <p>The work of the Conference Committee on the Application of Standards (CAS): <i>Comments by a worker and employer representative</i></p> <p><i>Q&A Dialogue</i></p>	<p>Moderator: Corinne Vargha, Director, International Labour Standards Department</p>
12:30-13:30	Break	
13:30-15:00	<p>UN instruments and the work of UN mechanisms on indigenous peoples' rights</p> <p>UN instruments and mechanisms: a brief introduction</p>	<p>Moderator: tbc</p>

	<p>The UN Mechanisms: work, mandate and key findings and recommendations – Presentations by</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Victoria Tauli-Corpuz, UN Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples (tbc) • Erika Yamada, Chair, UN Expert Mechanism on the rights of indigenous peoples • Anne Nuorgam, Chair, UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues <p>Q&A</p> <p>Dialogue</p>	
15:00-15:30	Break	
15:30-16:30	<p>Mapping the policy, legal and institutional landscapes in ratifying countries: a comparative overview with a focus on consultation, participation and institutions</p> <p>Presentation by Martin Oelz and Hernan Coronado.</p> <p>Comments, questions and discussion</p>	Moderator: Carmen Moreno, Director, ILO San José
16:30-17:30	<p>Approaches and opportunities for future dialogue and cooperation across the UN system</p> <p><i>Comments from participants</i></p> <p><i>Summing up by the Moderator</i></p>	Moderator: Shauna Olney, Chief, Gender, Equality and Diversity & ILOAIDS Branch
17:30-18:30	Reception at <i>Les Gobelins</i>	

Friday, 19 July

8:30-9:30	Group meetings	
9:30-11:00	<p>Experience sharing – Session 1</p> <p>Country Presentation</p>	Moderator: Government representative

	Q&A Dialogue	
11:00-11:30	Break	
11:30-13:00	Experience sharing – Session 2 Country Presentation Q&A Dialogue	Moderator: Worker representative
13:00-14:30	Break	
14:30-16:00	Experience sharing – Session 3 Country Presentation Q&A Dialogue	Moderator: Employer representative
16:00-16:30	Break	
16:30-17:30	Concluding remarks by participants <i>Identification of lessons learned, areas for future action and collaboration to promote ratification and effective implementation of Convention No. 169</i> <i>Summing-up by the Moderator</i> Closure	Moderator: Manuela Tomei