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Europe and Central Asia regional event

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Event agenda

ILO Global Summit on COVID-19 and the World of Work - Building a better future of work

14:00 - 14:45 (CET)

Opening session

Introduction and Setting the Scene, moderated by Mr Heinz Koller, ILO Regional Director for Europe and Central Asia,

- Introductory address by Mr Heinz Koller introduction to the event and overarching regional outlook for the world of work in the current COVID-19 context
- Video address by H.E. Mr. Hubertus Heil, Federal Minister of Labour and Social Affairs, Federal Republic of Germany (on behalf of the EU Presidency)
- Address by H.E. Mr. Anton Kotyakov, Minister of Labour and Social Protection, Russian Federation
- Address by H.E. Mr. Nicolas Schmit, Commissioner for Jobs and Social Rights, European Commission
- Address by Mr. Luca Visentini, General Secretary, European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC) /Pan-European Regional Council (PERC)
- Address by Ms. Renate Hornung-Draus, IOE Regional Vice-President for Europe and Central Asia.

Thematic Sessions

14:45 - 15:55

Panel 1: Supporting Enterprises, Jobs and Incomes

Panel discussions moderated by Conny Czymoch, Journalist and TV anchor

- H.E. Ms. Ana Mendes Godinho, Minister of Labour, Solidarity and Social Security, Portugal
- Dr. Boris Zürcher, Head of the Labour Directorate and Head of the Swiss tripartite
 ILO delegation, State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO), Switzerland
- Ms. Therese Svanström, President, Swedish Confederation of Professional Employees (TCO)
- Mr. Alexander N. Shokhin, President, Russian Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs (RSPP), Russian Federation

Moderator opens floor for Q&A

Issues to be discussed:

- Emergency protection and sustainable social protection for all
- Implement employment retention and job creation measures
- Emergency assistance to assure business continuity and an enabling environment for sustainable enterprises

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15:55 - 17:05

Panel 2: Protecting Workers in the Workplace

- H.E. Mr. Nozim Khusanov, Minister of Employment and Labour Relations, Uzbekistan
- H.E. Ms. Eva Nordmark, Minister of Employment, Sweden
- Ms. Maria Hanzevacki, General Secretary, Independent Trade Unions of Croatia,
- Mr. Kris de Meester, Senior Adviser, Federation of Belgian Enterprises (FEB), Belgium

Moderator opens floor for Q&A

Issues to be discussed:

- Occupational safety and health, including for a safe return to work
- Prevent discrimination and exclusion
- New work arrangements, including telework and access to paid leave

17:05 - 17:30

Summary session

Summing up the discussions and providing policy options based upon the Centenary Declaration, and to inform ILO future action in the region.

Moderated by Mr Heinz Koller, ILO Regional Director for Europe and Central Asia,

- H.E. Ms. Yolanda Diaz, Minister of Labour and Social Economy, Spain
- Mr. Irakli Petriashvili, President, Georgian Trade Unions Confederation (GTUC) / Pan-European Regional Council (PERC)
- Ms. Renate Hornung-Draus, IOE Regional Vice-President for Europe and Central Asia