

## ANNEX 2- DRAFT PROGRAM

# Ministerial Conference

**Promoting Green Employment :  
a Major and Indispensable Driver behind a Successful Transition towards a  
Competitive Low Carbon and Green Economy**

**28-29 September 2010 - La Hulpe (Brussels)**

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**Tuesday, 28 September 2010**

**8:30-9:30**      **Welcome of participants**

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**9:30-10:30**      **INTRODUCTORY SESSION: Sustainable and inclusive growth in Europe  
2020: a major challenge for the European labour market**

- Joëlle Milquet, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister for Employment and Equality
  - László Andor, Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion
  - John Martin, Director for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs, OECD
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**10:30-11:00**      **Coffee break**

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**11:00-12:30**      **SESSION 1: How do different sectors deal with climate change ?**

*What is the impact of climate change on the employment perspectives of the sector ? Does this lead to specific requirements for workers' skills, and what have the sector or specific companies done to meet these requirements ? What can be the crucial factors behind an efficient and successful transformation of the sector ? What role could social dialogue play ?*

- **Workshop 1: Experience of the construction sector:**
  - Jean-Pierre Liebaert, Director, Belgian Confederation of Construction ;
  - Ute Redder, Head of the Housing Directorate, Federal Ministry of Transport, Building and Urban Affairs ;
  - Thomas Gaudin, Agency for Environment and Energy management.
- **Workshop 2: Experience of the energy sector:**
  - Emanuela Preiti, Chairperson of EURELECTRIC's Working Group Social Affairs & Human Resources, ENEL S.p.A ;
  - Llorenç Serrano Gimenez, Secretario Confederal de Medio Ambiente, Spanish Trade Union Confederation ;
  - A representative of the Portuguese government – tbc.
- **Workshop 3: Experience of the transport sector:**
  - Christian Duschene, Advisor, Syndex ;
  - Piet Steel, Vice President Governmental Affairs Toyota Motor Europe ;
  - Peter Scherrer, General Secretary European Metalworkers' Federation ;
  - Annick Roetynck, Secretary General, European Twowheel Retailers Association (ETRA).

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**12:30- 14:15**      **Lunch**

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**14:15-15:45**      **SESSION 2: How to ensure quality transitions to green jobs ?**

*How can workers be supported in the transition towards the "green" labour market? What can be the role of social dialogue ? What adaptations are necessary to secure jobs in the transition period ? How to make sure health and safety are secured in "green jobs" ?*

**Interventions:**

- Jan Smets, Director, National Bank of Belgium, High Council of Employment;
  - Claus Hviid Christensen, Chief Executive Officer, Lindoe Offshore Renewables Center ;
  - Anne Panneels, Advisor, ETUC ;
  - Helena Strigard, Advisor, Business Europe.
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**15:45-16:15**      **Coffee break**

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**16:15-17:45**      **SESSION 3: How to train workers for green skills ?**

*How to identify and anticipate the skills that will be required in the short, medium and long run ? How to make sure workers possess the necessary green skills? What can be the role of public employment services ? What can be the role of training within the company ? What can be the role of the European Social Fund ?*

**Interventions:**

- Peter Szovics, Senior expert, Cedefop ;
- Olga Strietska-Ilina, Senior expert, ILO ;
- Representative of Public Employment Service ;
- Representative of Aldersgate group – tbc.

**SESSION 4: How to green all jobs ? (in parallel with Session 3)**

*How can workplaces and work processes be adapted to limit GHG emissions ? What instruments do we have for encouraging the greening of all jobs ? Social Dialogue, CSR, environmental standards, ...?*

**Interventions:**

- Sarah Pearce, TUC Greenworkplaces Project Leader, Trade Union Congress;
  - Olivier Barberly, Director, Geocycle France-Benelux ;
  - Stephen White, Advisor, DG Environment, European Commission ;
  - Representative of European Centre of Employers and Enterprises providing Public services.
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**19:00**      **Departure by bus to the dinner at the Château De La Rocq**

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**Wednesday, 29 September 2010**

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**9:00-10:30**      **General overview: Green employment – New objectives, new challenges**

- Raymond Torres, Director, International Labour Office, "The role of Green Jobs in boosting employment and incomes in the EU";
- Robert Strauss, Head of Unit, European Employment Strategy, DG Employment and Social Affairs, European Commission, "The European Union and the employment dimension of the greening of the economy";
- Tom Bevers, Employment Committee, "Employment and environment: monitoring, analysis, policies" ;
- Edgardo Maria Iozia, European Economic and Social Committee, "Green Jobs : point of view of the civil society".

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**11:00-12:45**      **Concluding round table: How can Europe 2020 live up to the challenge and what lessons for employment policies?**

- Chaired by the Belgian Minister of Employment
- Participants: MS Ministers, Social Partners, MEP, European Commission
- Debate with questions from the audience

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**12:45-13:00**      **Closing statements**

- Joëlle Milquet, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Employment and Equality

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**13:00-14:30**      **Lunch**

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**14:30**              **Departure**

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