

ASEM Employment High Level Forum
"From Bali to Leiden – What lessons for ASEM from the jobs crisis?"
29-31 March 2010,
Hotel Crowne Plaza
Rue Gineste 3 (near Place Rogier)
1210 Brussels, Belgium
Draft Agenda

29 March 2010, Monday

19.30 Joint dinner with social partners

30 March 2010, Tuesday

9.00 – 10.00

Registration and coffee

10.00-12.00

Opening session

Chair: Xavier Prats-Monné, Director for Employment, Lisbon Strategy and International Affairs, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, European Commission

Opening statements

Mr László Andor, European Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion

Mr Piet Hein Donner, Dutch Minister of Social Affairs and Employment (host of the 3rd ASEM LEMC)

Mr Sinchul Jang, Director for Employment Services Policy, Ministry of Labour, Republic of Korea (representative of ASEM coordinators)

Ms Joëlle Milquet, Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Employment and Equal Opportunities, in charge of Migration and Asylum, Belgium (future EU Presidency)

Mr Besar Setyoko, Secretary General of Ministry of Manpower and Transmigration, Indonesia (host of the 2nd ASEM LEMC)

Mr P.C Chaturvedi, Secretary, Ministry of Labour and Employment, Government of India (tbc)

Dr Ralf Brauksiepe, Parliamentary State Secretary in the Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Germany (host of the 1st ASEM LEMC)

Presentation: Mr Raymond Torres, Director of the ILO's International Institute for Labour Studies

Questions and answers

12.00 – 14.00

Lunch

14.00 – 16.00

Three parallel working sessions with the participation of governments' representatives and experts (scheme: chair/introduction from the two key note speakers/expert presentation/discussion with an active involvement of countries):

1) Job crisis/exit strategy/recovery

Chair: Mr Hao Bin, Deputy Director General, Department of International Cooperation, China

Key note speakers:

Ms Christa Kammerhofer-Schlegel, Labour Counsellor, Permanent Representation of Austria to the European Union

Mr Tao Bang Huy, Deputy Director of Employment Bureau, Ministry of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs of Vietnam

Expert: Mr Rob Vos, Director of the Global Economic Monitoring Unit, UN DESA

Discussion

2) Decent work including CSR, social protection and health and safety at work

Chair: Ms Agnès Leclerc, Director, delegation for European and International Affairs, Ministry of Labour, Labour Relations, Family, Solidarity and Urban affairs, France

Key note speakers:

Mr P.C Chaturvedi, Secretary, Ministry of Labour and Employment, Government of India

Ms Susanne Hoffmann, Director General, European and International Employment and Social Policies, Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Germany

Expert: Chris de Neubourg, Academic Director, Maastricht Graduate School of Governance, Maastricht University

Discussion

3) Skills and green growth

Chair: Mr. Mohamad Yaacob, Director of National Dual Training System, Department of Skills Development, Ministry of Human Resources Malaysia,

Key note speakers:

Mr Egbert Holthuis, Deputy Head of Unit, European Employment Strategy, CSR, Local Development, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, European Commission

Ms. Indah Anggoro Putri, Ministry of Manpower and Transmigration, Indonesia

Expert: Ray Grannal, Regional Senior Adviser on Skills Development, ILO

Discussion

16.00 – 16.30

Coffee

16.30 – 18.00

Parallel coordination meetings of the Asian and EU countries on the "Issues Paper" to provide orientations for drafting conclusions of the 3rd ASEM LEMC

20.00

Dinner

31st March 2010, Wednesday

10.00 - 13.00 (with coffee break at 11.30)

Concluding session in the form of Senior Officials Meeting:

Discussion on the "Issues Paper" to provide orientations for drafting conclusions of the 3rd ASEM LEMC

Chairs:

Mr Michael Morass, Acting Head of Unit, International Affairs and Enlargement, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, European Commission

Mr Lauris Beets, Director for International Affairs, Ministry of Social Affairs and Employment, the Netherlands (representative for Dutch Minister, host of the 3rd ASEM LEMC)

Mr Sinchul Jang, Director for Employment Services Policy, Ministry of Labour, Republic of Korea (representing Asian coordinators)

*Possibility to continue the discussion after lunch, if necessary.

13.00-14.00

Lunch