

TRIPARTITE CARIBBEAN EMPLOYMENT FORUM 2006

Responding to globalization

A decent work agenda for the Caribbean in the context of regional integration

ABOUT THE FORUM

BACKGROUND:

The Tripartite Caribbean Employment Forum will be held in Barbados, at the Hilton Barbados from the 10 to 12 October 2006. The Forum is being organized by the International Labour Organization, Subregional Office for the Caribbean in collaboration with the Ministry of Labour and Civil Service, Government of Barbados.

The theme of the Forum is: "Responding to globalization -- A decent work agenda for the Caribbean in the context of regional integration."

The Forum will bring together high-level representatives of governments, employers' and workers' organizations, other national and regional stakeholders and also bilateral and multilateral development partners.

The aims of the Forum are:

1. to focus on ways in which creating jobs, while promoting respect for rights, social protection, and social dialogue, can be made central to social and economic development strategies at the national and regional levels;
2. to raise awareness of the Decent Work Agenda, and to discuss the modalities for key stakeholders to cooperate in making Decent Work a key goal of economic policy, and part of the response to the challenges of globalization; and
3. to discuss, with a view to adopting, a Plan of Action for achieving noticeable concrete results in a few priority areas.

MEETING LOGISTICS:

Hotel Accommodation: The Tripartite Caribbean Employment Forum will be held at the Hilton Barbados in the Ballroom. The Hilton Barbados has blocked a number of rooms at a negotiated preferential rate for use by the participants attending the Forum. It is highly recommended that participants stay at the Hilton to maximize the benefits of the Meeting.

Transportation: The Government of Barbados will be providing transportation for participants to and from the airport. All flight details, including changes, must be made available to the ILO Subregional Office for the Caribbean in order to facilitate these arrangements.

Registration: Registration of participants will begin on Monday, 9 October 2006 from 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. and on Tuesday, 10 October 2006 from 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. and from 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. in the Hibiscus Room, which will serve as the Secretariat room during the Forum.

Opening Ceremony: The Opening Ceremony of the Forum will begin at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, 10 October 2006 in the Hilton Barbados Ballroom. All participants are kindly requested to be seated by 8.15 a.m.

Publications Display: A display of ILO publications and other materials will commence from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, 10 October 2006 and from 10:45 a.m. for the duration of the Forum. ILO publications and other materials can be purchased (cash only) during the Forum.

Internet Access: Please note that rooms at the Hilton Barbados are wired for high-speed internet access for a fee of US\$ 14.95 per day payable directly to the Hotel. Alternatively, a few computers with internet access are available at the Hotel's business centre for a fee of US\$10.00 per hour.



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