



Workshop on

Textile and Clothing – Capacity–Building of Social Partners in the Euro-Mediterranean Region

Brussels, Belgium – 24–25 November 2009

Thon Hotel Brussels City Centre, Avenue du Boulevard 17, 1210 Brussels

PROGRAMME

DAY ONE	
Morning session chaired by Mr Francesco Marchi, EURATEX	
9.00	Registration
9.30	<p>Opening:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Welcome by the European Commission: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The industrial policy and competitiveness challenges Mr Luis Girão, Head of Unit in DG Enterprise of the European Commission ○ The social dialogue in the EU Mr Jean-Paul Tricart, Head of Unit in DG Employment of the European Commission – Welcome by EU social partners: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The EU Social Dialogue and its repercussions on the national social dialogues Mr Patrick Itschert (ETUF:TCL) and Mr Francesco Marchi (EURATEX) – Welcome by Ms. Salima Admi, Ministry of Employment and Professional Training, Morocco
11.00	Coffee break
11.30	<p>Parallel Sessions</p> <p>1) Employers' session and 2) Employees' session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Examination of the answers received (questionnaires on their sectoral social dialogues) from the Euro-Mediterranean countries - Comparison of state of the different national sectoral social dialogues in the Euro-Mediterranean countries: Identification of their structure (bipartite, tripartite), specificities and possible gaps - Identification of the possible key elements of common interest employees/employers (in view of the discussion on possible joint national social action plans)



1. Employers' session

Chair : Mr Jean-François Quix, FEDUSTRIA, Belgium

Good practises and concrete examples of capacity building:

- Hungary (**Mr János Tomor, HAMA**)
- Czech Republic (**Mr Jir Kohoutek, ATOK**)
- Slovenia (**Mr Jose Smole, GZS**)
- Turkey (**Mr Mehmet Kumbarac, Turkish Clothing Manufacturers Association**)

2. Employees' session

Chair: Mr Paul Gates, the United Kingdom

Good practises and concrete examples of capacity building:

- Czech Republic (**Ms. Alena Narovcova, OS-TOK**)
- France (**Mr Bernard Moreau, CGT THC**)
- Hungary (**Mr Tamas Keleti, TDSZ**)
- Slovenia (**Mr Anton Rozman, STUPIS**)

13.30 Lunch break



Afternoon session chaired by Mr Patrick Itschert, ETUF:TCL

15.00	<p><u>Presentation of the best practices existing at EU and international levels in the sectoral social dialogues</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Benefits derived from the social dialogue in Belgium Mr Dirk Uyttenhove, CSC Textura and Mr Jean-François Quix, FEDUSTRIA, Belgium – Benefits derived from the social dialogue in Lithuania Mrs. Jovita Meskauskiene, Lithuanian TU of Industry Enterprises and Mr Gediminas Viskelis, LATIA, Lithuania – Best practises in the social dialogue in Morocco – Mr Abdellah Hassiane, UGTM and Mr Abdelhai BESSA, AMITH, Morocco – Respect of core ILO standards in the social dialogue Mrs. Corinne Vargha, International Labour Organization (ILO) – Presentation of the report of the separate morning sessions employees/employers (Chairmen of the two sessions) – Debate – Identification of key elements to be discussed in Day Two
17.00	Closing of Day One



DAY TWO Session chaired by Mr Luis Girão, DG Enterprise, European Commission	
8:30	<p>Summary of Day One</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Key elements identified for a better social dialogue:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Situation of the industry (impact of globalisation) Mr Francesco Marchi, EURATEX – Corporate Social Responsibility (environmental issues, social issues, development of codes of conduct) Mr Isidor Boix, FITEQA-CC.OO, Spain – Importance of the improvement of the image of the sector Mr Jerzy Garczyński, PIOT GDYNIA, Poland
10.00	Coffee break
10:30	<p>Key elements identified for a better social dialogue:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Adapting to social compliance in Morocco Ms. Salima Admi, Ministry of Employment and Professional Training, Morocco – Discussion of next steps: towards a better capacity building and the adoption of joint sectoral national action plans in the Euro-Mediterranean countries Mr Francesco Marchi, EURATEX and Mr Patrick Itschert, ETUF: TCL – Questions /Answers and open discussion with the Euro-Mediterranean countries
12.00	<p>Closing by Ms. Rim Oumalek, Ministry of Industry and Trade, Morocco</p> <p>Closing remarks by Mr Luis Girão, DG Enterprise, European Commission</p>