IMEC Statement POL 3 Sectoral Meetings in 2021 and proposals for sectoral work in 2022-2023

This statement is made on behalf of IMEC

IMEC takes note of the revised schedule of meetings at appendices I and II, following tripartite consultations, to address the meetings backlog because of the restrictions imposed due to COVID 19 and supports decision point 22 (a).

Furthermore, it supports decision point 22 (b) which provides that the Office will in respect of the technical meeting on education, select an independent Chairperson with relevant expertise and in respect of the meetings on urban transport services and aquaculture appoint as a Chairperson a member of the Governing Body.

IMEC welcomes the publication on the ILO website of the updated versions of the ILO flag State inspection and State control guidelines under the Maritime Labour Convention 2006 (as amended) at decision point 22 (c).

IMEC supports the ILO approach to sectoral work involving the promotion of decent work across the four pillars of the Decent Work Agenda. An approach which also includes addressing issues of gender equality and non-discrimination and is focused on the implementation of the ILO Centenary Declaration for the Future of Work which calls for a human centred approach to the future of work by promoting inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all through, amongst others, sectoral polices that promote decent work and enhance productivity.

IMEC welcomes the continued focus of the Office in contributing to sector specific knowledge on the impact of the pandemic, providing guidance and tools to assist in protecting workers, sustaining enterprises and developing strategies for resilience.

IMEC supports the Office's continuing commitment to further strengthen strategic partnerships across the multilateral system to promote policy coherence and to leverage support for decent work.

IMEC takes note of the proposed programme of the global sectoral meetings for 2022 – 2023, as presented in appendix III. IMEC wishes to thank the members of the sectoral advisory body for their work. The programme is well balanced in attention to specific sectors and to topics that are important to be discussed within those sectors. Thus, we support the decision point 22 (d).