



Governing Body

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Committee on Sectoral and Technical Meetings and Related Issues

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FOR DECISION

SECOND ITEM ON THE AGENDA

Effect to be given to the recommendations of the sectoral and technical meetings

**Report: Meeting of Experts to adopt
a Code of Practice on Safety and
Health in Agriculture**
(Geneva 25–29 October 2010)

Overview

Issue covered

Follow-up to the Meeting of Experts to Adopt a Code of Practice on Safety and Health in Agriculture.

Policy implications

Upon approval of its publication the Code will be disseminated and its application promoted.

Legal implications

None.

Financial implications

None.

Decision required

Paragraph 3.

References to other Governing Body documents and ILO instruments

None.

1. The Meeting of Experts to Adopt a Code of Practice on Safety and Health in Agriculture was held in Geneva from 25 to 29 October 2010. The meeting comprised five Employer and five Worker experts, as well as five Government experts from Costa Rica, Kenya, South Africa, Thailand and United Kingdom. At its last sitting, it unanimously adopted a Code of Practice on Safety and Health in Agriculture. ¹
2. Upon approval of the Code's publication, follow-up activities will be undertaken to promote its application. These activities will range from training of safety managers and worker safety representatives at the enterprise level to the setting up of occupational safety and health structures at the workplace where needed. In parallel, capacity building will be combined with promotional awareness-raising activities, in view of ensuring greater outreach of the Code.
3. *The Committee may wish to recommend that the Governing Body:*
 - (a) *take note of the report of the Meeting of Experts ² and authorize the Director-General to publish the Code of Practice on Safety and Health in Agriculture; and*
 - (b) *request the Director-General to bear in mind, when drawing up proposals for the future work of the Office, the recommendations for follow-up action made by the Meeting.*

Geneva, 17 January 2011

Point for decision: Paragraph 3

¹ MESH/2010/10.

² MESH/2010/9.