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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 sectoral and technical meetings

Global Dialogue Forum on Vocational Education and Training (Geneva, 29–30 September 2010)

Overview

Issue covered

The paper introduces the report of the discussion, including the points for consensus adopted by the Global Dialogue Forum on Vocational Education and Training.

Policy implications

None.

Legal implications

None.

Financial implications

None.

Decision required

Paragraph 3.

References to other Governing Body documents and ILO instruments

GB.304/PV; GB.304/STM/1; GB.308/PV.

1. In accordance with the decisions of the Governing Body concerning sectoral activities in 2010–11¹ and the composition of meetings,² the Office organized the Global Dialogue Forum on Vocational Education and Training at the ILO in Geneva on 29–30 September 2010. Mr Gregory Vines (Government, Australia) chaired the Forum, which was attended by representatives of 39 Governments of ILO member States, five Employer and five Worker representatives and representatives of intergovernmental and international non-governmental organizations, namely Education International, the International Organisation of Employers and the International Trade Union Confederation.
2. The Forum discussed six major themes: initial education and professional development of technical and vocational education and training (TVET) teachers and trainers; employment in TVET; remuneration and the teaching and learning environment; social dialogue in TVET; and workplace and informal learning. An information session on ILO programmes on disability and sectoral social dialogue in the public services was also held. The Forum adopted consensus points providing advice to constituents in ILO member States on ways to improve the provision of universally accessible and quality TVET services.³
3. *The Committee may wish to recommend that the Governing Body:*
 - (a) *authorize the Director-General to communicate the final report of the Forum to governments, requesting them to communicate the text to the employers' and workers' organizations concerned; as well as to communicate the report to the international employers' and workers' organizations and other international organizations concerned; and*
 - (b) *request the Director-General to bear in mind, when drawing up proposals for future work of the Office, the recommendations made by the Forum.*

Geneva, 19 January 2011

Point for decision: Paragraph 3

¹ GB.304/PV, para. 216(a) and GB.304/STM/1, para. 5.

² GB.308/PV, paras 109–110.

³ See GDFVET/2010/10, pp. 33–39.