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Session coordinator(s)	Mr Klaus Gunther and Ms Jane Colombini
Title of thematic session	World Day Against Child Labour: TOGETHER for a brighter future without child labour
Date and time	Thursday, 13 June 2019, 10:00 – 12:40

Session description

The 2019 World Day Against Child Labour (WDACL) will be the first in a series of thematic debates connected to the future of work, which will be held during the 108th (Centenary) Session of the International Labour Conference. It will be comprised of two segments.

The first segment will be a panel entitled **“Accelerating action against child labour”** which will be an interactive debate focusing on the major transformations being experienced in the world of work, whether the result of technological, environmental or demographic change, and what this means for the youngest in society. Given the proven policy areas for combatting child labour, the debate will also focus on overcoming the remaining challenges to achieve SDG Target 8.7, entailing the ratification and implementation of fundamental ILO standards in law and practice.

The debate will be followed by second segment entitled **“Empowering actors for social change”** which will focus on the role of partnerships in building the momentum for campaigns and action against child labour. Within the context of the WDACL and the ILO’s SCREAM (Supporting Children’s Rights through Education, the Arts and the Media) programme, it will serve to highlight the key role of children and youth in such efforts.

2019 also marks 20 years since the adoption of Convention No. 182, which is now the closest ILO Convention to universal ratification. It is hoped that the event will offer the opportunity to mark universal ratification of this Convention. (TBC)



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Format

Davos-style panel

Moderator

Ms Conny Czymoch

Speakers

Keynote speaker:

Mr Kumi Naidoo, Secretary-General, Amnesty International

Panel discussion: [Accelerating action against child labour:](#)

Ms Juneia Martins Batista, Women's Secretary, Single Confederation of Workers CUT, Brazil

Dr Assefa Bequele, Founder and former Executive Director, African Child Policy Forum

Ms. Sue Longley, General Secretary, International Union of Food, Agricultural, Hotel, Restaurant, Catering, Tobacco and Allied Workers' Association

Ms Jacqueline Mugo, Executive Director, Federation of Kenyan Employers

Ms Molly Namirembe, Youth advocate and SCREAM (Supporting Children's Rights through Education, the Arts and the Media) trainer, Uganda

Ms Tanzila Narbayeva, Deputy Prime Minister of Uzbekistan

Ms Phyllis Kong Wai Yue, Human Rights and Responsible Sourcing Specialist, Ferrero

Segment: [Empowering actors for social change:](#)

Ms Lina Nataly Alvarado Riaño, National Youth Leader of the "100 million for 100 million" campaign, Colombia

Ms Anousheh Karvar, Ministry of Labour, Family and Social Affairs, France & Chair of Alliance 8.7 (tbc)

Ms Marah Khalil, Member of the Children's Podium, Jordan

Mr Benoît Machel, General Secretary, International Federation of Musicians

Mr Anand Singh, Regional Director, Asia-Pacific, Education International

Mr Blaskvo Smilevski, Executive Director, JM International

Time schedule

10:00 Marking the universal ratification of ILO Convention No. 182 (tbc) ILO Director-General, Mr Guy Ryder; Government representatives (tbc)

10:30 – 10:40 Keynote address by Mr Kumi Naidoo

- 10:40 – 12:00 Video Message from the **UN Deputy Secretary- General, Ms Amina Mohammed**; Panel Debate on “*Accelerating action against child labour*”; Announcements from the floor
- 12:00 – 12:40 Segment on “*Empowering actors for social change; Children’s’ messages*”; Live performance; Launch of books “*Tackling Child Labour, 100 years of action*” and SCREAM music module

Possible questions for panellists

What stands between the ratification of child labour conventions and their implementation to ensure compliance both in law and in practice?

What do the technological, environmental and demographic transformations being experienced in the world of work mean for addressing child labour and what are the opportunities and the risks?

What are the top three things we need to do to accelerate and scale up action to achieve SDG target 8.7?