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## In memoriam Anders Stig Møller



On the afternoon of 10 April, Anders Stig Møller, the Secretary General of the LO/FTF Council (the development cooperation organisation of the Danish trade union movement), died from a massive cerebral haemorrhage. Anders was busy getting his beautiful sail boat ready for the season. All attempts to save him in the hospital were futile. He was 55 years old.

Anders had a long history of work in the trade union movement when he was first posted in Bangladesh for the LO/FTF Council. After an additional three years in Nicaragua he returned to Denmark to be a consultant for the Central America department. In 2004 he was appointed Secretary General of the LO/FTF Council.

Anders was a dynamic leader who worked incessantly to consolidate and strengthen the LO/FTF Council. During his time the LO/FTF Council gained a reputation as a credible and professional institution. He was also an important player in the world development cooperation and President of the Danish EU-NGO Platform.

Our sympathy goes to his family.

Guy Ryder,  
ITUC General Secretary

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# 1. Development Cooperation Policies

## **CIVIL SOCIETY PERSPECTIVES ON THE FINANCING FOR DEVELOPMENT AGENDA**

The Economic and Social Council held a panel discussion on "Civil Society Perspectives on the Financing for Development Agenda" in preparation for its Special high-level meeting with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (New York, 27 April 2009) on Monday, 20 April 2009. [Read more](#)

On Monday 27 April 2009, the Economic and Social Council held its "Special High-level Meeting with the Bretton Woods Institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development" in New York. The overall theme of the meeting was "Coherence, coordination and cooperation in the context of the implementation of the Monterrey Consensus and the Doha Declaration on Financing for Development."

For more information, please see [ecosoc spring meetings](#)

Please visit the [ffdngo website](#) which has been updated to reflect [these events](#) related to the financial crisis and development.

## **UN CONFERENCE ON THE WORLD FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC CRISIS AND IMPACT ON DEVELOPMENT**

The United Nations Non-Governmental Liaison Service (UN NGLS) has launched a weekly bulletin to inform stakeholders of relevant developments in the lead-up to the UN High-Level Conference (1-3 June 2009), to address the global financial and economic crisis and its impacts on development.

[Read the first issue](#)

Please [click here](#) to read the views of Joseph E. Stiglitz on the global financial crisis.

## **WOMEN'S WORKING GROUP ON FINANCING FOR DEVELOPMENT**

Please read the [Summary of the Women's Working Group on Financing for Development's](#) submission to the UN-NGLS NGO Consultation on the Commission of Experts of the President of the UN General Assembly on Reforms of the International Financial and Monetary System conducted online from 26 January to 13 February 2009.

## **OPINION OF THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE ON THE 'EU-AFRICA STRATEGY'**(2009/C 77/32) [link](#)

## **DEVELOPMENT IN TIMES OF FINANCIAL CRISIS**

The European Commission has just launched an online debate for input on whether development should be a priority during this time of financial crisis.

Contribute to this debate and stress the importance of decent work for development, especially at this time of financial crisis, by [visiting this link](#).

### **EUROPEAN DEVELOPMENT DAYS**

The fourth edition of the European Development Days will be held in Stockholm (Sweden) on 21-23 October 2009. If you want to participate with an exhibition or any other activity you have to register not later than 1 June 2009. (This can be discussed in the workstreams meeting in May in Brussels) [Read more](#). Please keep us informed if you participate.

### **AFRICA-EU STRATEGY - WHAT HAPPENED TO DECENT WORK?**

28 April 2009: ITUC Press release on the meeting of the European Union-Africa Ministerial "Troika" in Luxembourg. [Click here to read more](#).

## **2. Miscellaneous from the network**

The Network has its [own TUDCN webpage](#) on the [ITUC website](#). You will find the latest news on trade union positions, solidarity actions and update information on activities. Please send any relevant information for publication in our next issues to the Network Information Officer at: [luc.vermeersch@ituc-csi.org](mailto:luc.vermeersch@ituc-csi.org).  
(Please respect the deadline of 15 May for sending info for the next issue)

### **REGIONAL WRITERS' WORKSHOP TO PRODUCE STRATEGIES AND ACTION PLANS ADDRESSING ISSUES OF LABOUR MIGRATION, CHILD LABOUR, FORCED LABOUR AND TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS**

A 4-day Regional Writers' Workshop to Produce Strategies and Action Plans Addressing Issues of Labour Migration, Child Labour, Forced Labour and Trafficking in Persons was jointly organised by IIDA/CISL-Italy/ILO-ACTRAV/ITUC-Africa for 16 trade unionists including 5 women participants drawn from COSATU, FEDUSA, NACTU, CONSAWU, MLC, NTUC, NLC, GTUC, GFL, SLLC, COTU-K, and NOTU from 23 to 26 March 2009 at the Panafriic hotel in Nairobi, Kenya.

To read the whole report please [click here](#)

### **DONOR ORGANISATIONS MEET IN SÃO PAULO**

On 26 March 2009, the Trade Union Confederation for the Americas (TUCA) organised a meeting of donor organisations for Latin American trade union organisations (TUCA included). The meeting took place in Sao Paulo (Brazil). [Read more](#) (Spanish only).

## 3. Project Opportunities

### **EU PROJECT FUNDING:**

Open calls for proposals:

Enhancing respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms in countries and regions where they are most at risk (deadline: 29 May 2009)

Promoting social cohesion, employment and decent work, improving labour market information systems (deadline: 4 June 2009)

Education, knowledge and skills : Towards demand-driven Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) systems (deadline: 10 June 2009)

Please also consult the page concerning the country-based calls for proposals.

## 4. Agenda 2009

<u>April/June</u>	<b>Seminar</b> for New EU member states	Central Europe
<u>19-20 May</u>	<b>Working Groups</b> -Trade Union Development Cooperation Effectiveness -Trade Unions as Actors in Development -International Development Policies and Aid Architecture -Final preparation of Stockholm Conference	BRUSSELS
<u>June/September</u>	<b>Seminars</b> Capacity building seminars in the South, in cooperation with ITUC Africa, TUCA and A-P	
<u>13-14 October</u>	<b>Conference</b> -Trade Unions as Development Actors -Prepare Congress ITUC Development Policy -Public event with new Parliament	STOCKHOLM
<u>November/December</u>	<b>Seminar</b> Update seminar for Development Cooperation responsibles from partners	
<u>November/December</u>	<b>Seminar</b> Capacity building seminars in the South, in cooperation with ITUC Africa, TUCA and A-P	

*For a more detailed agenda in 2009-2010-2011, [please click here](#)*