



Trade Union Focus on Development

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Special issue: High Level Forum on Aid Effectiveness

4th High Level Forum on Aid Effectiveness & the Busan Civil Society Forum

Only one week is left to the **4th High Level Forum on Aid Effectiveness (HLF4)**. Over 2000 representatives of donor and partner governments, as well as delegates from international institutions, civil society organisations and media from all around the world will meet in Busan, South Korea to discuss how to make aid and development more effective.

Just before the HLF4, civil society organisations united in the BetterAid platform will host the **Busan Civil Society Forum (BCSF)** to prepare together for an effective participation at the High Level Forum.

On top of a delegation of almost 40 trade union representatives from 25 different countries, ITUC contributes to both events with the trade union perspective captured in the key documents ([see below](#)) and by hosting some of the sessions ([see below](#)).

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Trade unions in Busan

With almost 40 delegates, the presence of trade unions at the HLF4 in Busan is by itself a statement of interest and commitment to the international processes on development effectiveness. What does the ITUC expect from both events and what contributions do trade unions make to the both the programmes and the political processes around HLF4 and BCSF?

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TU agenda in Busan

26-27 Nov 2011

Development for a Decent World – Trade union

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BetterAid – a week to Busan

With only a week left to the HLF4, work in BetterAid is gathering speed. CSOs united in the platform issue new statements on private sector, climate finance, aid for trade and aid architecture, which will soon be followed by the reaction to the 4th Draft Outcome Document. A new blog has also been launched, offering the space to CSO to present their views on the issues of development effectiveness.

[Vist the website of BetterAid >>>](#)

Key documents

What to the trade unions call for?

Updated with the most recent advocacy developments, ITUC publishes the final key trade union messages: *Development for a Decent World - key trade unions messages to HLF4*.

[>>> Read “Development for a Decent World” in English // French // Spanish](#)

Key documents

Private sector – in the focus of attention

The role of private sector actors in development has been one of the most important and discussed topics in the run up to Busan. In response to the debates, ITUC has published the trade union statement on the issue: *Private sector in development - trade union statement for HLF4*.

[>>> Read “Private sector in development“ in English // French // Spanish](#)

Key documents

Trade union development effectiveness in practice

The first of *TUDCN Development Papers* presents the vision and values of trade union organisations on Development Effectiveness in a form of Principles and Guidelines, elaborated on a consultative basis by trade union organisation from both the Global North and the Global South.

[>>> Read “TU principles and guidelines for development effectiveness“ in English // French // Spanish](#)

TU agenda in Busan

Development for a Decent World - trade union preparatory meeting for the HLF4 *Workshop at the Busan Civil Society Forum*

preparatory meeting for
HLF4

*A workshop in frame of the
Busan Civil Society Forum*

29th Nov 2011

**Wellington Chibebe, Deputy
General Secretary of the
ITUC, speaking about the
Rights-Based Approaches
At the Thematic Session on
RBA of the 4th High Level
Forum on Aid Effectiveness**

30th November 2011

**Social Dialogue in East
Africa – for Decent Work
and democratic ownership
A debate in frame of the
Knowledge and Innovation
Space at the 4th High Level
Forum on Aid Effectiveness**

Key TU documents

**Development for a Decent
World - key trade unions
messages to HLF4.**
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**Private sector in
development - trade union
statement for HLF4.**
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**Towards a comprehensive
paradigm for decent work
and development
effectiveness – TUDCN
Development Paper 2**
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**Trade union principles and
guidelines on development
effectiveness – TUDCN
Development Paper 1**
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The meeting will focus on the preparation of the trade union delegation to the HLF4 through a detailed briefing, identifying key advocacy issues and strategizing for an effective participation in the HLF4 sessions.

Start at 2pm on 26th November 2011 in room 180 of the Grand Hotel Haeundae, Busan. Registration to the BCSF is required.

TU agenda in Busan

Social Dialogue in East Africa – for Decent Work and democratic ownership

Debate in the Knowledge and Innovation Space of the 4th High Level Forum on Aid Effectiveness

Building upon best practice of the programme in East Africa, the debate will explore the role of Social Dialogue in addressing challenges of economic and social development as well as effective means of supporting this model of democratic ownership in partner countries.

Speakers:

- **Wellington Chibebé**, Deputy General Secretary of the International Trade Union Confederation
- **Caroline Khamati Mugalla**, East Africa Trade Union Congress
- **Henrik Als**, LO-FTF Council, Denmark

Moderation: **Kjeld Jacobsen**, Trade Union Confederation of Americas

The debate will be supported by an ePoster displayed as a part of the official **Knowledge and Innovation Space of the HLF4**.

Start at 12h30 on 30th November 2011 in room 203 of BEXCO Convention Centre, Busan. Accreditation to the HLF4 is required.

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