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Focus

Trade Union meeting ahead of the 3rd meeting of the High Level Panel on Post 2015 Development, 28-30 January, Monrovia, Liberia

Civil Society Organizations met from 28-30 January in Monrovia, Liberia ahead of the 3rd meeting of the High Level Panel on Post 2015 Development (HLP). The ITUC was part of a small trade union delegation, which included representatives from the East African Trade Union Confederation (EATUC), the Zambia Congress of Trade Unions (ZCTU) and Education International (EI).

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Policies

First meeting of the Steering Committee of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation

The Steering Committee of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation (post Busan process) met for the first time in London on December 5-6 2012.

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Policy Dialogue on Aid for Trade held January 16-17 at the OECD Center

The event itself was comprised of trade ministers, senior civil servants, academics, think tanks and a few members of civil society and was for the most part an echo chamber to discuss the success of aid for trade.

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News from the network

TUDCN General Meeting Paris 14-15 November 2012 - Report

Over 40 representatives of trade unions and solidarity support organisations gathered on the 14th and 15th of November 2012 in Paris to discuss the future of the Trade Union Development Cooperation Network, which is entering its third phase with new funding from the European Commission foreseen to start next year which will enable the network not only to continue, but expand the scope of its work. The participants reflected on the results of the network's activities over the last years and discussed the plans for engagement and possible structural adjustments.

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CUT creates Institute of Cooperation

CUT officially launched the Institute of Cooperation on December. The Institute's objectives, based on resolutions from the last CUT National Congress and guidelines from CUT's Strategic Planning unit and Department of International Relations, include the promotion and coordination of projects in partnership with trade union bodies from other countries, in particular from Latin America, the Caribbean and Africa.

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CGTM-Mauritania is developing its strategic plan

During its last meeting held on Wednesday 9 January 2013, the Executive Committee of the General Confederation of Mauritanian Workers (CGTM) appointed three of its members, namely, BA Aly Moctar Head of the "Education and training" department; NIANG Mamoudou, Head of "External Relations, Cooperation and Migration" and Mohamed Lehbib CHERIF Head of the "Social Affairs" department to draft a strategic planning document which will be the subject of in-depth discussions during a validation workshop on the 17, 18 and 19 of January bringing together members from the CGTM national office from Nouakchott and the neighbouring regions.

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Sri Lanka: a worker center offers a model for aiding migrant workers

The Migrant Services Center, a Solidarity Center partner, is assisting migrant workers and their families in Sri Lanka while championing structural change through the legislative and government processes.

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Seminar "The European future of development cooperation (2014-2020) - the European Parliament

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Upcoming events

Inequalities Consultation High-level Leadership meeting

19/20 February, Copenhagen, Denmark

Post-2015 High Level Panel Meeting "Global Partnerships"

25/27 March, Bali, Indonesia

OECD Global Forum on Development

4/5 April, Paris, France

Nordic Dutch SSO GUF ITUC meeting

15/17 April, Sangerup, Denmark

decides”

The Seminar took place in Aranjuez on the 2 and 3 December 2012. Its objective was to hold discussions on the new Development Cooperation Instrument (DCI) within the framework of the Union's Cooperation policy.

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The Conferences on development in France

The Conferences on development and international solidarity stem from a commitment made by the President of the Republic during the presidential electoral campaign. Their objective is a wide-ranging debate on French development policy.

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News from the platforms**All you want to know about the post-2015 development agenda**

In 2015 Millennium Development Goals will expire. UN has launched a process of elaborating the post-2015 development framework that will replace the MDGs. The new framework is likely to be a new set of development goals, but their focus, scope and accountability mechanisms are still to be defined. UN, as well as some of the governments and CSO platforms will organise wide range of consultations that will feed in various ways into the official process, leading to the UN MDG Summit in September 2013.

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TUDCN General Meeting

17/19 April, Slangerup, Denmark

UNCTAD Public Symposium.

The economic dimension of the post-2015 development agenda : in search of a new approach

24/25 June, Geneva, Switzerland

Publications**A Feminist Perspective On The Busan 4th High Level Forum On Aid Effectiveness And Its Outcomes**

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Investing in the Business of Development: Bilateral Donor Approaches to Engaging the Private Sector

Shannon Kindornay (North-South Institute) / Fraser Reilly-King (Canadian Council for International Co-operation)

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How do we help? The free market in development Aid

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