High-level Conference on the Future of Work



"Challenges, Risks and Opportunities"

March 9th 2021



Programme



PROGRAMME

(10:00 - 17:30 CET)

10:00 – 10:15 Opening of the virtual conference room

10:15 Welcome speech by the Prime-Minister of Portugal, António Costa

10:30-11:15 Opening speeches

Director-General International Labour Organization, Guy Ryder

Commissioner for Jobs and Social Rights, Nicolas Schmit

Minister of Labour, Solidarity, and Social Security of Portugal, Ana Mendes Godinho

11:15-12:30 Session I - "Working remotely: An overview of trends, opportunities, challenges and risks"

Chair: Secretary of State of Labour and Vocational Training of Portugal, Miguel Cabrita
Introduction: Head of Unit Employment Eurofound, Irene Mandl
Speakers:

Chair of the Employment Committee, Ilze Zvidrina

Director Employment, Labour and Social Affairs OECD, Stefano Scarpetta (tbc)

Coordinators of the Green Paper on the Future of Work in Portugal, Teresa Coelho Moreira e Guilherme Dray

Deputy Director-General for Policy, ILO, Martha Newton



12:30-13:30 Session II - "Connecting and disconnecting and work-life balance"

Chair: President of the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC), Christa Schweng

Introduction: Research manager Eurofound, Tina Weber

Speakers:

Director of the WORKQUALITY Department, ILO, Manuela Tomei

Member of the European Parliament, Alex Agius Saliba

EESC Rapporteur on Challenges of Teleworking, Carlos Manuel Trindade

European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE) Director, Carlien Scheele

13:30-14:30 - Lunch break

14:30-15:45 Session III - "Access to Social protection, representation and workers" involvement processes, social dialogue and collective bargaining in new forms of work"

Chair: Deputy General Secretary of the European Trade Union Confederation, Esther Lynch

Introduction: Director of COLABOR, Manuel Carvalho da Silva

Speakers:

Chair of the Social Protection Committee, Peter Lelie

Director of the Social Affairs Department of BusinessEurope, Maxime Cerutti

President of CEEMET, Rainer Ludwig

Director of the Governance and Tripartism Department, ILO, Vera Paquete-Perdigão

Minister of Labour and Social Economy of Spain, Yolanda Díaz Pérez



15:45-16:45 Session IV - "Labour market regulation, effectiveness of legal rights and obligations and Safety and Health at work"

Chair: Director DG for Employment and Labour Relations of Portugal, Ana Olim

Introduction: Head of Unit Working Life of Eurofound, Barbara Gerstenberger Speakers:

Chief of Labour Administration, Labour Inspection and Occupational Safety and Health Branch, ILO, Joaquim Pintado Nunes

Head of Prevention and Research Unit of the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work (EU-OSHA), William Cockburn

Coordinator of the Skills and Employment team of the Joint Research Centre, Enrique Fernández Macías

Executive Director of the European Labour Authority, Cosmin Boiangiu

16:45 – 17:00: Concluding Remarks

Director-General Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion, Joost Korte

17:00 – 17:30: Closing session

Federal Minister of Labour and Social Affairs of Germany, Hubertus Heil

Minister of Labour, Family, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities of Slovenia, Janez Cigler Kralj

Minister of Labour, Solidarity, and Social Security of Portugal, Ana Mendes Godinho

^{*} Due to limitations caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Conference will take place in a remote mode.