



# SOCIAL DIALOGUE IN THE SDG ERA

## THEMATIC DISCUSSION ON: FORMALISING INFORMAL WORK

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ROOM CC6, OECD CONFERENCE CENTRE, PARIS

TIME 14.00-17.30

### INTRODUCTION

The formalisation of informal work is central to the achievement of the SDGs, especially with regard to Goals 1, 5, 8 and 10. Cooperation among employers, workers and national authorities is essential to implement a transformative agenda conducive to formalisation.

The Trade Union Development Cooperation Network (TUDCN) and the International Labour Organisation (ILO) have conducted evidence-based research to analyse the impact of social dialogue on the formalisation process. The analysis focussed on various aspects of the formalisation process, including the extension of rights and decent working conditions, of social protection coverage and of minimum living wages to workers in the informal economy.

This research looks into specific experiences of social dialogue in Costa Rica, Argentina, Kenya and the Philippines. These countries have undertaken processes that go from the elaboration of a national strategy for the formalisation of the informal economy, in Costa Rica, to more sectoral approaches, such as the formalisation of domestic work, in the Philippines. The research also reviews the role of collective bargaining in the formalisation process, in Kenya and Argentina.

We will present the outcomes of the research, inviting interested actors to share their analysis and experience. The discussion will be guided by the following questions:

- 1) What are the challenges for social dialogue in the context of formalisation?
- 2) What are the elements that need to be strengthened for an effective social dialogue?
- 3) How can national and international actors foster collaboration with social partners?

Conclusions will be drawn to contribute to future policymaking processes and approaches.



## DISCUSSION OUTLINE

***Preliminary Introduction:***  
***Mamadou Diallo, ITUC Deputy Secretary General***

***Moderated Panel by Caroline O'Reilly, Social Dialogue and Tripartism Unit, ILO***

***PRESENTING THE EVIDENCE AND ANALYSING THE CHALLENGES***

***Trade unionists from Argentina, Costa Rica and the Philippines***

**Coffee break 15.30-16.00**

***Programmed Interventions***

***CONTRIBUTIONS ON HOW TO FOSTER COLLABORATION WITH SOCIAL PARTNERS***

***Mario Pezzini, Director OECD Development Centre***  
***Garance PINEAU, Conseillère diplomatique, Ministre du Travail, France***  
***Claudia Serrano, Ambassador, Permanent Representation of Chile to the OECD***  
***Stefano Signore, Head of Unit Employment and Migration, European Commission***

***Open Debate and Conclusions***  
***Mamadou Diallo, ITUC Deputy Secretary General***

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