

# invitation **Launch event of the policy paper 'Decent Work'**



January 12th



doors open at 14h30



Residence Palace (room Polak), Brussels

**Access to decent work is a fundamental right.**

The ILO's Decent Work Agenda is based on the recognition that productive employment and decent work are key factors in reducing poverty, increasing welfare and achieving gender equality.

Belgium is committed to the implementation of this Decent Work Agenda and therefore launches a new policy paper on Decent Work during its EU-presidency.

The implementation of this agenda will be based on a strong partnership between the social partners, NGO's, the Belgian bilateral agency (Enabel) and administration (DGD), the Belgian Investment Company (BIO) and the ILO.

The Belgian Minister of Development Cooperation and Major Cities **Caroline Gennez** invites you to the launch of the Belgian strategy paper on Decent Work on 12 January, at 14h30, at Residence Palace, Brussels. The event will explore national and international strategies on forwarding Decent Work in international partnerships.

ILO Director-General Gilbert Hougbo, Belgian Deputy Prime Minister Pierre-Yves Dermagne, UN Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights Olivier De Schutter and ITUC General Secretary Luc Triangle will be amongst those to participate in the discussions.

## **Preliminary timetable:**

**14:30** doors

**15:00** Opening by Minister Gennez

**15:10** Keynote by DG Hougbo

**15:25** Panel discussion on a multi-actor approach to forwarding decent work with Gilbert Hougbo, Olivier De Schutter, Luc Triangle, moderated by Heidy Rombouts

**16:55** Forward look by Belgian Civil Society Platform CPWW/PCTD

**16:05** Closing Speech by Deputy Prime Minister Dermagne

**16:15** Reception

**PS.** Please register via [this link](#).

Sincerely yours

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Minister of Development Cooperation and Major Cities