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THIRD EI/PSI SEXUAL DIVERSITY FORUM 2011

Cape Town International Convention Centre CICC

1 Lower Long St., Cape Town 8000, South Africa

CTICC Meeting block 1.40

Preliminary Programme

July 18-19, 2011

DAY ONE: Sunday 17 July

Registration

Early registration will be available on Sunday between 16:00 - 18:00 at the Strand Tower Hotel, Corner Strand & Loop Street, Cape Town, Western Cape (room to be display).

DAY TWO: Monday 18 July

Theme: Addressing inequalities differently: the way forward for LGBT workers rights

8:30

Registration

CTICC Meeting block 1.40

9:30

Opening Plenary and opening remarks

Co-chairs: Bob Chase (EI) and Junéia Batista (PSI)

Co-chairs provide background and objectives of the meeting

Welcome by

Fred van Leeuwen, EI General Secretary

Peter Waldorf, PSI General Secretary

Greetings from EI and PSI member organizations in South Africa

Dorcus Sekabate, Vice President for Gender SADTU

Glenda Boyes, Vice President NAPTOSA

Pieter J. Coetzee, Provincial Secretary SAOU Western Cape

Sheila Barsel, Health and Education Officer, NEHAWU

10:30

Building our future for social justice

Key note address by Zackie Achmat, Chairperson Equal Education (EE), and Treatment Action Campaign (TAC) (South Africa)

11:00 - 11:30

Refreshment break



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11:30 - 12:30

Panel 1: Looking back and looking forward: review of outcomes

Strategies to further LGBT rights; working methods; brainstorming on critical priorities and areas to address through recommendations

By LGBT steering Committee members and active unions

- How sexual orientation became a trade union issue
- Actions demanding dignity – LGBT rights are human rights
- Tackling multiple forms of discrimination: lessons learned

Facilitator: Marilies Rettig, CTF-FCE Canada (tbc)

12:30 – 14:00

Lunch break

14:00 – 15:30

Workshop Session I

- (a) Trade unionist organizing for LGBT rights by UNISON
- (b) Education and transgender by UCU (tbc)
- (c) The potential strength of diversity policy and its traps for LGBT policy by Nettie Groeneveld and Michael Odjik, ABVAKAVO, NL

15:30 – 16:00

Refreshment break

16:00 - 16:45

Plenary Session - Report from workshops

18:00 – 19:00

Reception

DAY THREE: Tuesday 19 July 2011

Theme: Addressing inequalities differently: the ways forward for LGBT workers rights

9:00 – 9:15

Plenary Session

Co-chairs: Bob Chase (EI/NEA) and Junéia Batista (PSI/FETAM)

Summary of Day One

Introduction of the agenda of the day

9:15 – 10:30

The ways forward and challenges after the UN resolution

Key note speaker

Mr. P. D. Montwedi, Chief Director, Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs (tbc)

Department of International Relations and Cooperation, South Africa

Followed by interactive discussion

10:30 - 11:00

Refreshment break



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11:00 - 12:30

Panel 2: Building a global platform for LGBT human rights

Moderated by PSI

- (a) Different lens, same view? Regional experiences in asserting LGBT workers' rights - Fatima da Silva, CNTE Brazil
- (b) Trade union solidarity. Interventions on networking across borders
- (c) Building bridges - trade union and civil society organisations working together -Phumi Mtetwa, LGEP South Africa

12:30 – 14:00

Lunch break

14:00 – 15:30

Workshop Session II

- (a) Safe schools initiatives on training by NEA, USA
- (b) Priority joint action plan: balancing resources and agendas by EI/PSI representatives
- (c) Global Unions Quality Public Services (QPS) Campaign: working together for equality

15:30 – 16:00

Refreshment break

16:00 - 17:30

Closing Plenary Session

Report from workshops
Summary of possible recommendations
Commitments towards the Fourth EI/PSI Sexual Diversity Forum
Meeting wrap-up and adjourn