



**FUTURE OF WORK
FOR AFRICAN YOUTH**

**CONFERENCE
7 FEB 2019, GENEVA**



Programme

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8.30am

Registration and welcome coffee

Arrival of participants in conference room and livestream platform

9.00am

Welcome note from ILO and SDC

Deborah Greenfield, Deputy Director-General for Policy, ILO

Sangheon Lee, Director of the EMPLOYMENT Department, ILO

Manuel Sager, Director-General of SDC

9.20am

Part 1: The situation of work for youth in Africa – what do we know?

Opening speech: Facts and figures

Niall O'Higgins, Senior Research Specialist, EMPLOYMENT Department, ILO and Sarah Akwei-Marfo, Global Initiative on Decent Jobs, EMPLOYMENT Department, ILO

9.40am

Interview: A changing world of work

Maria Marta Travieso, NORMES Department, ILO and Maria Prieto, EMPLOYMENT Department, ILO

10.00am

Interview: Decent employment for Youth in Africa

Moustapha Kamal Gueye, Coordinator, Green Jobs ENTERPRISE Department; Valeria Esquivel, Employment Policies and Gender Specialist EMPLOYMENT Department; Susana Puerto, Senior Youth Employment Specialist EMPLOYMENT Department, Juan Chacaltana, Senior Employment Specialist, EMPLOYMENT Department – ILO

10.30am

Health break

11.00am

Part 2: Harnessing the potential of African youth

Market place for innovative initiatives engaging youth in Africa:

Social Entrepreneurship. Lynsey Ferrell, Change Leader, Ashoka

Global Initiative for Decent Jobs for Youth- through a Gender lens: Susana Puerto, ILO

Evolution of employment services: Jacqui Ford, CEO, Federation of African Professional Staffing Organization (APSO)

Vocational and skills development. Roeland Monasch, CEO, Aflatoun International

Large scale job creation in Nigeria & South Africa: Ukinebo Dare, Head of EdoJobs; Tashmia Ismail-Saville, CEO, Yes4youth

Technologies: Dr. Eric Otenyo, Professor, Northern Arizona University

Digitalization and Internet: Evelyn Namara, Global Community Engagement Manager, Internet society

Green Jobs for African Youth: Kamal Gueye, ILO

12.30pm

Lunch

2.00pm

Part 3: Voices from the young African workforce

Storytelling and Discussion with:

Wala Kasmi, Founder and CEO, Youth Decides, Tunisia

Solomon King, Founder, Fundi Bots, Uganda

Rotimi Olawale, JRFarms, Nigeria

3.00pm

Part 4: The future of work for youth in Africa onwards

Keynote speech

Gilles Yabi, Founder, WATHI

3.30pm

World café group discussions on opportunities and challenges in the future of work for youth in Africa

4.45pm

Wrap up

5.15pm

Closing remarks by ILO/SDC

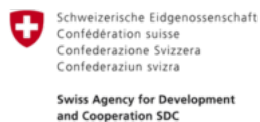
Thomas Gass, Vice-Director and Head of the South Cooperation Department SDC, Ambassador

Sukti Dasgupta, Branch Chief EMPLAB, EMPLOYMENT Department, ILO

5.30pm

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