Global Labour University

Alumni Workshop
“Decent Work”

22 – 27 March 2009

Programme

DATE: Sunday, March 22 (arrival) until Friday, 27 March (departure) 2009
Conference Venue: Plum Pudding, 12 Chiselhurst Drive, Auckland Park, Johannesburg

Sunday, 22 March 2009:
1800 Registration & reception dinner (Hofmeyr House, Wits University) Speaker: Mr Zwelinzima Vavi (Cosatu) (tbc)
Welcoming remarks: Prof Yunus Ballim (Deputy V-C); Prof Tawana Kupe (Dean: Humanities) and Prof Eric Worby (Head: School of Social Sciences)

Monday, 23 March 2009:
Chairperson: Prof Edward Webster
09h00 Opening Remarks (Prof Devan Pillay and Prof Christoph Scherrer)
09h30 Panel discussion on the ‘Decent Work’ concept
Speakers: Mr Kwasi Adu-Amankwah (ITUC); Neva Makgetla (President’s Office)
11h00 Tea
Chairperson: Seeraj Mohammed
11h30 Alumni Presentation & Discussion
What can Trade Unions do about Decent Work Using Public Procurement? (Joel Odigie, Eustace James)
13h00 Lunch
Chairperson: Harald Kroeck
14h00 “Decent Work and Care – Part 1” (Prof. Christel Eckart)
Alumni Presentation & Discussion:
HIV/AIDS in the Workplace (Zuzanna Muskat-Gorska)
15h30 Tea
16h00 GLU evaluation with Kassel & Wits Alumni (Mike Waghorne)

Tuesday, 24 March 2009:
Morning Chairperson: Prof Devan Pillay
09h00 Decent Work and the Representational Gap
Speakers: Vic Van Vuuren (ILO); Prof Edward Webster / Ms Christine Bischoff / Ms Janet Munakamwe
11h00 Tea
11h30 Panel Discussion:
Men on the side of the road (Peter Kratz)
Women in the Informal Economy Group (Chris Bonner)
Guaranteed public work (Kate Philip)
13h00 Lunch
Chairperson: Dr Noor Nieftagodien
14h00 “Social Security” (Prof. Martin Kronauer)
15h30 Tea
16h00 Alumni Presentation & Discussion (Chairperson: Dale Forbes):
The role of trade unions in Job Creation: a case study of the Job creation trust (Ntwala Mwilima)

Wednesday, 25 March 2009:
Morning Chairperson: Dr Michelle Williams
09h00 “Decent Work and Care – Part 2” (Prof. Christel Eckart)
11h00 Tea
11h30 “Post-Colonial perspectives on Child Labour” – Part 1 (Dr Christine Loew)
12h45 Lunch / LIAS training session for current students (Harald Kroeck)
13h45 Excursion to the Fashion District, Johannesburg CBD
17h30 Movie: Slumdog Millionaire (Senate House Basement)
Thursday, 26 March 2009:
Morning Chairperson: Prof Roger Southall
09h00 Current state of the research project: “Trade Unions and Global lobbying - Policy advocacy at national level” (Prof Christoph Scherrer, Donna McGuire)
11h00 Tea
11h30 “Decent Work: Critical Reflections” (Prof Devan Pillay)
13h00 Lunch
14h00 “Post-Colonial perspectives on Child Labour” – Part 2 (Dr Christine Loew)
15h30 Tea
16h00 Alumni Presentations & Discussion (Chairperson: Alfred Angula):
   1. FIFA World Cup 2006 in Germany and the opportunities for union action and revitalization (Donna McGuire)
   2. Can a Construction Boom Create New Sources of power For Trade Unions? (Crispen Chinguno)
19h00 Farewell Dinner (Restaurant Ciros, 4th Avenue 17, Parktown)

Friday, 27 March 2009:
Chairperson: Prof Christoph Scherrer
09h00 Feedback session / Further development of the African Sub-Saharan network
11h00 Tea
11h30 Further cooperation of FES with Sub-Saharan network (Axel Schmidt, FES)
12h30 Farewell Lunch

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