

SEMINAR ON YOUTH EMPLOYMENT

INTER-AMERICAN NETWORK FOR LABOR ADMINISTRATION (RIAL)

Agenda

Venue:

Hotel Guanabara Palace – Ballroom, 5th floor

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DAY 1 – May 20, 2008

8:00 – 9:00 **Registration of Participants**

9:00 – 9:30 **Opening Session**

- Charlotte Ponticelli, Deputy Under Secretary for International Affairs, United States Department of Labor
- Ezequiel Souza, Secretary for Public Employment Policies, Ministry of Labor and Employment of Brasil
- Maria Claudia Camacho, RIAL Coordinator and Specialist of the Department of Social Development and Employment, OAS

9:30 – 10:45 **1º Panel – Decent Work and Youth: main challenges and perspectives on the context of globalization and hemispheric development**

Moderator: Anna Beatriz Waehneltdt, Head of the National Centre for Distance Learning, National Commercial Training Service (Serviço Nacional de Aprendizagem Comercial, SENAC)

Panelists (20 minutes each):

- Márcio Pochman, President of the Applied Economic Research Institute (IPEA)
- Charlotte Ponticelli, Deputy Under Secretary for International Affairs, United States Department of Labor
- Lais Abramo, Director of the International Labor Organization (ILO) Office in Brazil

Q&A session (15 minutes)

10:45 – 11:00 **Break**

11:00 – 12:30 **2º Panel –Encouraging partnerships aiming at decent and productive employment generation for youth: strategies, experiences and results**

Moderator: Marcelo Neri, Head of the Center on Social Policies, Getulio Vargas Foundation of Rio de Janeiro

Panelists (12 minutes each):

- Renato Ludwig, Labor and Employment Policies for Youth Department, Ministry of Labor and Employment of Brazil
- Ann Higdon, President of Improved Solutions for Urban Systems, ISUS
- Jefferson Coriteac, Representative of COSATE, Secretary for Youth Policies of Forza Sindical, Brazil
- Jorge García de Alba Diaz de Sandi, CEATAL Representative, President of the Commission for Entrepreneurial Development and Incubators, Mexico's Employer Confederation (COPARMEX)

Debate (45 minutes)

12:30 – 14:00 **Lunch**

14:00 – 16:00 **3^o Panel – Developing and encouraging comprehensive policies, strategies and services**

Moderator: Gregg Weltz, Chief of the Division of Youth Services of the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) at United States Department of Labor

Panelists (12 minutes each):

- Maria Jose Vieira Feres, National Coordinator of Pro-Jovem, National Secretariat for Youth of Brazil
- Clara Inés Restrepo, Deputy Director “Entra 21 Program”, International Youth Foundation
- Ignacio Canales, National Director, Chilecalifica - government partnership between Ministries of Labor, Economics and SENCE
- Norma Añaños, Executive Director of the Center for Labor Training and Development Services (Centro de Servicios para la Capacitación Laboral y el Desarrollo, CAPLAB) of Peru

Debate (1 hour)

16:00 – 16:15 **Break**

16:15 – 17:30 *Continuation of 3^o Panel*

Debate

DAY 2– May 21, 2008

8:30 – 11:00 **4^o Panel – Youth entrepreneurship: creating alternative means for productive and decent work**

Moderator: Gustavo Nonato, Advisor of the Department of Micro, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (MSMEs), Ministry of Development, Industry and Trade of Brazil

Panelists (12 minutes each):

- Camilo Montes, Director of the National Training for Work System, National Training Service (SENA) of Colombia
- Federico Ludueña, Coordinator of the Program “Youth with more and better jobs”, Employment Secretariat, Ministry of Labor, Employment and Social Security of Argentina
- Tulio Severo, Representative in Brazil of the Young Americas Business Trust (YABT), Organization of American States (OAS)

- Aldain Reid, President, Young Entrepreneurs Association of Jamaica (YEA)

Debate (1 hour and 30 min)

11:00 – 11:15 **Break**

11:15 – 13:30 **5º Panel – Labor market inclusion strategies for disconnected youth**

Moderator: Marcia Arieira, Senior Social Development Specialist, Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)

Panelists (12 minutes each):

- Giovanni Harvey, Subsecretariat for the Promotion of Racial Equality Policies (SEPPIR/PR) of the President's Office of Brazil
- Richard Ramos, Executive Director, Latino Coalition for Faith and Community Initiatives
- Asha Williams, Youth Coordinator of the program "Partnership in Opportunities for Employment through Technology in the Americas – POETA", Trust for the Americas-OAS
- Father José Maria Moratalla, Director, Polígono Industrial Don Bosco in El Salvador

Debate (1 hour and 30 min)

13:30 – 15:00 **Lunch**

15:00 – 16:00 **Presentation of summary of discussions and lessons learned**

Moderators of the various sessions will present summary of discussions and lessons learned

Final comments on the conclusions and ideas on how to move forward this topic in the IACML:

- Charlotte Ponticelli, Deputy Under Secretary for International Affairs, United States Department of Labor
- Mario Barbosa, Special Advisor for international affairs of the Ministry of Labor and Employment of Brazil
- María Claudia Camacho, RIAL Coordinator and Specialist of the Department of Social Development and Employment, OAS

Debate

16:00 – 17:00 **Closing Session**

- Jorge Paulo Magdaleno Filho, Executive Director of Fundacentro
- María Claudia Camacho, RIAL Coordinator and Specialist of the Department of Social Development and Employment, OAS
- Jane Richards, International Economist of the United States Department of Labor
- Carlos Lupi, Minister of Labor and Employment of Brazil