

**GENERATION SAFE & HEALTHY**

International Labour Organization

28 April 2018  
World Day  
For Safety and Health at Work

12 June 2018  
World Day  
Against Child Labour

Pan American Health Organization

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**World Day for Safety and Health at Work 2018**  
**Generation Safe & Healthy**

## INTRODUCTION

The International Labor Office (ILO) declared April 28 World Day for Safety and Health at Work. Each year this date is observed in commemoration of the workers who suffered injuries, diseases or fatalities; and to celebrate those that were effectively prevented. At the same time, it aims to promoting prevention of occupational injuries and diseases. Since 2003 this celebration has taken place involving all stakeholders at global, regional and national levels with a multipartite approach and by means of social dialogue. In some countries, it has been extended to be a whole week celebration.

This year, the World Day for Safety and Health at Work (SafeDay) and the World Day Against Child Labour (WDAKL) are coming together in a joint campaign to improve the safety and health of young workers and end child labour. The Pan American Health Organization PAHO joins once again in 2018, to celebrate this date by joining efforts with the ILO. Together with the Organization of American States/ OAS, we will explore the problems and solutions for addressing the main topic of this celebration for the Region: *Generation Safe and Healthy*.

The 541 million young workers (15-24 years old) - which includes 37 million children in hazardous child labour - account for more than 15 per cent of the world's labour force and suffer up to a 40 per cent higher rate of non-fatal occupational injuries than adult workers older than 25. Many factors can increase youth vulnerability to OSH risks, such as their physical and psychological stage of development, lack of work experience and lack of training, limited awareness of work-related hazards and a lack of bargaining power that can lead young workers to accept dangerous tasks or jobs with poor working conditions.

Recognizing the need in addressing these challenges and improving safety and health for young workers, and to promote decent youth employment; we decided to bring a second virtual webinar aiming to create awareness about this problem, and to provide support and empower workers individually and collectively.

As part of the activities of the celebration of  
**The World Day for Safety and Health at Work 2018,**  
The Workers' Health team of the Health Promotion and Social Determinants Unit PS/FPL,  
invites you to the:  
**Second Virtual Webinar:**  
**“Generation Safe and Healthy”**

**OBJECTIVE:** Review the impact of youth unemployment, and the actions that Member States are carrying out to control, prevent and address these problems in their countries.

**DATE:** Tuesday 31 July 2018

**TIME:** 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Room C

**Virtual links:**

English: <https://bit.ly/2KS2u3W>

Spanish: <https://bit.ly/2li9KAc>

**AGENDA**

- 10:00 a.m. **Opening Remarks**  
Gerry Eijkemans  
*Unit Chief, Health Promotion and Social Determinants (FPL/PS)*  
María Claudia Camacho  
*Chief of Labor and Employment, Department of Human Development, Education and Employment, SEDI/OAS*
- 10:15 a.m. **Youth and Employment in Latin America and the Caribbean**  
Guillermo Derma  
*Regional Specialist in Youth Employment and Labor Migration, ILO*
- 10:45 a.m. **Panama Experience: Actions to reduce the impact of youth unemployment**  
Mercedes de la Cruz  
*Program Coordinator of Pro-Joven*
- 11:15 a.m. **Chile Experience: The National Service of Training and Employment: Learning and Challenges in training for employment**  
Gaston Cerda  
*Chief for the Continuity of Studies, Department for the training of people/ SENCE*
- 11:45 a.m. **Questions and Answers**
- 11:55 a.m. **Summary and Closing Remarks**  
Julietta Rodriguez Guzman  
*Regional advisor on Workers' Health and Consumers' health (FPL/PS)*  
María Claudia Camacho  
*Chief of Labor and Employment, Department of Human Development, Education and Employment, SEDI/OAS*