



Sub-regional Advisory Committee (SUBRAC) meeting

March 8 – 9, 2014 | Garraway Hotel, Commonwealth of Dominica

9:15 am

Draft Agenda

Saturday March 8

1. Call to order, welcome and introductions

- Welcome from Titular members, Dominica PSU, Regional Secretary, Sub-regional secretary
- Adoption of agenda
- Introductions and announcements

2. Minutes of the 2013 meeting

- Adoption and confirmation of minutes

3. Matters arising (*items not otherwise covered in the agenda*)

4. Priorities in the subregion – actions, proposals and follow-up (2013 – 2014) with linkages to IA regional priorities and actions

- Profile and key issues
- Activities and campaigns
- Sectoral focus
- Challenges and Lessons learnt
- Next steps

5. Collective Bargaining in times of crisis

Examples from selected affiliates/territories highlighting:

- The challenges
- The strategy and tactics used by both the governments and unions
- The results
- The lesson learnt
- Suggestions on how unions need to proceed in the future (do we need a different model)

6. Influencing policy: consultation, social dialogue, advocacy

- Engaging with IFIs and regional banks: Framework guidelines for public sector unions
- Promoting Caribbean focus and strategies on key issues: (Human and trade union rights; Trade agreements; Tax justice; Climate justice and green jobs; Migration and development)

7. Report from SUBWOC meeting

IWD activity organised by DPSU Women's Group/Committee (*DPSU to advise on the details*)

Sunday March 9

Report from SUBWOC meeting (if item not completed on Day 1)

8. **Re-restructuring national economies and the role of public service sector unions**
Exploring the role, function and effectiveness of oversight committees and the impact unions can have – the Jamaica case
9. **Trade union renewal: trade union self-reform and growth strategies**
Position paper and proposals from working group
10. **Items from partner organisations (the ILO and Global Unions)**
 - ILC 2014 and the Route of Shame
 - ILO Regional Conference, Lima
 - ITUC/TUCA campaigns and activities
 - Linking the work of the GUFs to PSI's priorities and work in the sub-region
11. **IAMRECON 2015**
Proposals from the Regional Office
12. **Budget matters and the restructuring of PSI in the Inter-American Region**
Report and proposals from the Regional Office
13. **The new dynamics for approval of projects in PSI: a global view and proposals**
Report and proposals from the Regional Office
14. **Proposals arising from the SUBRACs and activities in the PSI Regional Work Plan: report and proposals for 2014**
15. **End of meeting**

Young workers' caucus

Young activists attending the sub-regional meetings may caucus in preparation for the meetings. They decide when and where.

The main aim of these caucuses is to consolidate the positions of the young worker representatives on the items to be discussed during the meetings.

February 6, 2014