

BRICS Employment Working Group (EWG) Meeting Programme

Durban, South Africa



*THEME: ENSURING DECENT WORK,
DIGNITY AND RESPECT FOR ALL*

26 - 27 September 2023

PROGRAMME

Day 1: Tuesday, 26 September 2023

EWG DAY I	Chair Mr Thobile Lamati, Director-General Dept. Employment and Labour, Republic of South Africa
Political Session	
09:00-09:10	Opening Remarks by Mr Thobile Lamati, Director General
09:10-09:30	Welcome Address by His Worship, Mr Thomas M. Kaunda: Mayor of eThekweni Metropolitan Municipality
09:30-09:35	Message of Support by Ms Riefdah Ajam: Labour Representative
09:35-09:40	Message of Support by Mr Kaizer Moyane: Employer Representative
09:40-09:45	Message of Support by Ms Susan Hayter: International Labour Organisation (ILO)
09:45-09:50	Message of Support by Mr Yukun Zhu: International Social Security Association (ISSA)
09:50-09:55	Message of Support by Dr Locary Hlabanu: African Regional Labour Administration Centre (ARLAC)
09:55-10:15	Cultural event/ video
10:15-10:20	Introduction of Hon. Mr Siboniso Duma by Mr Sipho Ndebele, Acting Deputy Director-General: LP & IR
10:20-11:00	Keynote address by Hon. Mr Siboniso Duma: (MPL) MEC for Economic Development, Tourism & Environmental Affairs
11:00-11:30	Tea Break
11:30-12:00	Presentation on the BRICS Productivity Ecosystem Platform by Mr Jens Dyring-Christensen (Snr Enterprise Specialist), ILO
12:00-12:05	Questions for clarity



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EWG DAY II	Chair Mr Thobile Lamati, Director-General
Political Session	Dept. Employment and Labour, Republic of South Africa
09:00-09:05	Remarks by Mr Thobile Lamati, Director General
09:05-10:05	Social Partners & Cooperation on Multilateral Platforms by Mr Sipho Ndebele, Acting Deputy Director-General: LP & IR Discussion and adoption BRICS Member Countries (7 mins each) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Federal Republic of Brazil</i>• <i>People's Republic of China</i>• <i>Republic of India</i>• <i>Russian Federation</i>• <i>Republic of South Africa</i>
10:05-10:30	Tea Break
10:30-11:30	Presentation of a Joint Political Statement by Mr Siyabonga Hadebe, Labour Attaché Discussion and adoption BRICS Member Countries (7 mins each) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Federal Republic of Brazil</i>• <i>People's Republic of China</i>• <i>Republic of India</i>• <i>Russian Federation</i>• <i>Republic of South Africa</i>



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11:30-12:15	Presentation on the Social Protection Report by the BRICS Research Network (Ms Tendani Ramulongo, Acting Chief Director: Labour Market Policy)
12:15-13:00	Discussion and adoption of Social Protection measures
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	Guest country (5 mins each) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Republic of Malawi</i>
13:00-13:30	Closing session Address by Ms Boitumelo Moloi, Deputy Minister of Employment & Labour Wrap-up by Mr Thobile Lamati, Director-General
13:30-14:30	Lunch Break
14:30	Afternoon briefings to Principals

