

**Tripartite Meeting on the Future of Employment
in the Tobacco Sector**Geneva
24-28 February 2003

**Resolution concerning future activities
of the ILO in the tobacco sector**

The Tripartite Meeting on the Future of Employment in the Tobacco Sector,

Having met in Geneva from 24 to 28 February 2003,

Noting that this is the first meeting ever organized by the ILO on the tobacco sector;

Adopts this 28th day of February 2003 the following resolution¹:

The Tripartite Meeting on the Future of Employment in the Tobacco Sector invites the Governing Body of the International Labour Office to:

- (1) Allocate the necessary resources to the ILO programme of sectoral activities in order that activities in the tobacco sector may continue and that expertise on the sector may be enhanced.
- (2) Request the Director-General of the ILO to:
 - (a) continue to carry out research and issue publications on employment and occupational safety and health trends in the tobacco sector and to initiate research on other uses of tobacco;
 - (b) promote in the tobacco growing and processing sectors the ILO's Decent Work Agenda, especially through the adherence to and observance of the principles and rights enshrined in the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and its Follow-up;
 - (c) facilitate social dialogue, through collective bargaining or other available means at appropriate levels, amongst the partners and between these and relevant international organizations, with a view to mitigating the adverse effects on employment levels in the tobacco sector.

¹ This resolution has not yet been examined by the Governing Body of the ILO in accordance with established procedures and therefore cannot be considered as definitive.