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WORK AND EMPLOYMENT IN THE TRANSITION TOWARDS THE DIGITAL ECONOMY

Are long-standing approaches of labour market and employment policy appropriate to respond to new challenges?

PARIS, 13 JANUARY 2016

11:00

Welcome and opening remarks

John Evans, General Secretary, TUAC

11:15 -13:00

Session 1: Work and employment in the digital economy: Is growing economic insecurity inevitable – what are the choices?

Chair: *Bill Spriggs*, Chief Economist, AFL-CIO

(i) ILO project on the *Future of Work*; *Raymond Torres*, Director of the ILO Research Department

(ii) Trade union responses to the challenges of the digital economy; *Philip Jennings*, General Secretary, UNI Global Union

O P E N D E B A T E

13:00 – 14:30

Lunch

14:30 – 16:00

Session 2: Have liberal labour market regimes and structural reform policies made labour markets more resilient and inclusive? Lessons from responses to the crisis

Chair: *Cinzia del Rio*, Head of the International Department, UIL (Unione Italiana del Lavoro)

US: What happened to the great US job engine? *Josh Bivens*, Research and Policy Director at the Economic Policy Institute (EPI), Washington D. C.

Spain: Labour market reforms – The road back to employment – or to more unemployment? *Prof. Albert Recio*, Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona (UAB)

Germany: The German ‘employment miracle’ – Resilience through rigidity, or through policy interaction and institutional complementarities?

Andrew Watt, Macroeconomic Policy Institute (IMK), Düsseldorf

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16:00 – 16:15

Coffee break

16:15 – 17:50

Session 3: New trends, old asymmetries – How to modernize and strengthen labour market institutions

Lessons and perspectives for a reassessment of the 2006 OECD Jobs Strategy

Chair: *David Coats*, Research Fellow, the Smith Institute, London

Marlies Stubits-Weidinger, Ambassador of Austria to the OECD

Stefano Scarpetta, Director, Employment, Labour and Social Affairs, OECD

Raymond Torres, ILO

Hassan Yussuff, President, Canadian Labour Congress (CLC)

17:50 – 18:00

Closing remarks: John Evans

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