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The ILO, IMF and Government of the Republic of Zambia are jointly organizing a high-level policy dialogue under the theme:

“Towards a New Growth Strategy for Employment, Decent Work and Development in Zambia”

Dates: 21-22 May 2012

Venue: New Government Complex in Lusaka, Zambia.

LUSAKA/ADDIS ABABA/GENEVA (ILO News) - The International Labour Organization (ILO) and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) will convene a two-day national conference on promoting job-rich growth in Zambia, in collaboration with the Ministry of Finance and National Planning and the Ministry of Information, Broadcasting and Labour.

The conference will be held under the theme “Towards a new growth strategy for employment, decent work and development in Zambia” and will bring together participants representing the workers movement in Zambia, employers’ organisations, key Government line Ministries, the private sector, civil society, academia, youth and other stakeholders to discuss policy options necessary to stimulate job rich growth in the Zambian economy.

His honour the Vice President, Dr. Guy Scott will deliver a key note address during the opening of the National Conference.

The conference in Zambia is part of a three-country effort, which includes Bulgaria and the Dominican Republic. The initiative aims at enhancing tripartite social dialogue around the policy issue of employment creation. The participating institutions will present their respective analyses and policy considerations, which could help generate more and better employment opportunities as well as promote sustainable growth and development.

Note to correspondents:

- ✓ Journalists interested in covering the conference, please visit www.ilo.org/lusaka for the conference back ground paper and programme.
- ✓ Interviews and photo ops can be scheduled via the ILO office in Lusaka on +260 (1) 252 779, banda@ilo.org
- ✓ For background information about the conference, please visit: www.ilo.org/africa and www.imf.org