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# WELCOME TO THE MEETING

By Thomas Schwarz, MMI Network

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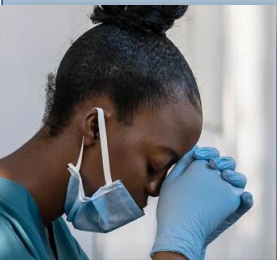
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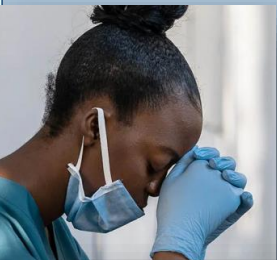


# INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

By Thomas Schwarz, MMI Network

Health and care workers as a “human resource”?  
Health and care workers to “be protected”?

To allow health and care workers to advance their cause:  
What guidance and (new) legal instruments?  
What international solidarity and support?



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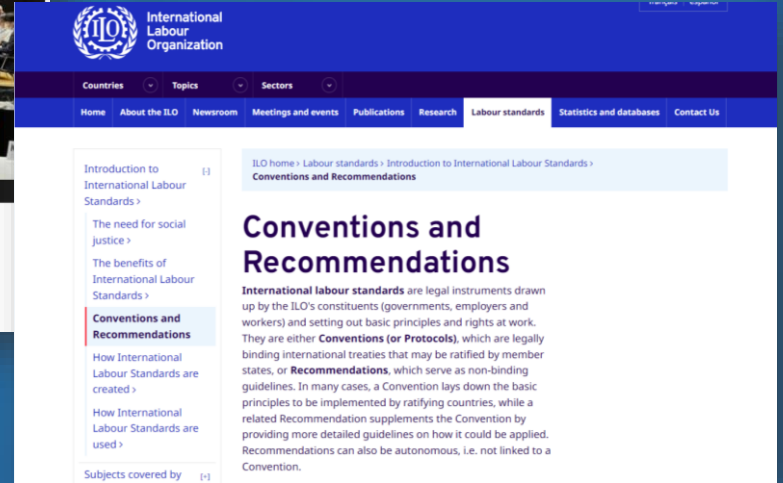
Time to move from “technical advice”  
to new/stronger international legal norms?







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## Conventions and Recommendations

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## EXPERT ROUNDTABLE WITH:

- **Baba Aye**, Public Services International
- **Eric Friedman**, Georgetown University
- **Jim Campbell**, World Health Organization
- **Maren Hopfe**, International Labour Organization
- **Michelle Acorn**, International Council of Nurses
- **Musa Lumumba El-Nasoor**, Ugandan Young Doctors Association
- **Osahon Enabulele**, World Medical Association
- **Soosmita Sinha**, Health Law Institute
- **Sopiko Japaridze**, PHM, Solidarity Network Workers Center Georgia





## YOU ARE THE EXPERTS, RIGHT?

“I am a medical doctor in...”

“I was a nurse.”

“I am community health worker in...”

Please write a sentence in the chat, in your language, if you are an expert by your own lived experience (any time in your life). Thank you!



## OUTLOOK TO THE OPEN DEBATE

How do you assess the initiatives, proposals and perspectives to better care for the health and care workers presented and discussed by the expert panel?

Do they fit with your reality, your expectations?  
Will they make a difference? Or what is to be done?

**When the debate is opened:** Raise your hand to speak  
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## Programme

- 15.30 Welcome and introduction
- 15.38 Welcome message by special guest  
Viroj Tangcharoensathien, INB Vice-Chair
- 15.40 Invited experts introducing themselves
- 15.45 Expert roundtable
- 16.25 Open debate

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## Expert roundtable, step 1: Health workers experiences, realities, demands and action at national level, and expectations regarding international solidarity and support

- **Musa Lumumba El-Nasoor**  
Member, Ugandan Young Doctors Association
- **Sopiko Japaridze**  
Solidarity Network Workers Center Georgia  
People's Health Movement

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## Expert roundtable, step 2: How are realities and demands of health and care workers taken up by unions and professional associations. How to link between the national and international?

- **Baba Aye**  
Health and Social Sector Officer, Public Services International
- **Michelle Acorn**  
Chief Nurse, International Council of Nurses
- **Osahon Enabulele**  
President, World Medical Association

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Expert roundtable, step 3:

**Where to focus the work of ILO and WHO: Provide technical guidance to the three parties (governments, employers, workers' representatives) or go for better/stronger regulation at national or international level?**

- **Jim Campbell**  
Director Health Workforce, World Health Organization
- **Maren Hopfe**  
Sectoral Policies Department, International Labour Organization

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International Labour Organization

Introduction to International Labour Standards >

The need for social justice >

The benefits of International Labour Standards >

**Conventions and Recommendations**

How International Labour Standards are created >

How International Labour Standards are used >

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Expert roundtable, step 4:  
**How do you assess the set of international legal instruments in this field and the technical guidance provided by WHO and ILO to member states: What is missing, how to fill the gaps?**

- **Eric Friedman**  
Global health justice scholar, O'Neill Institute, Georgetown University
- **Soosmita Sinha**  
Founder & President, Health Law Institute

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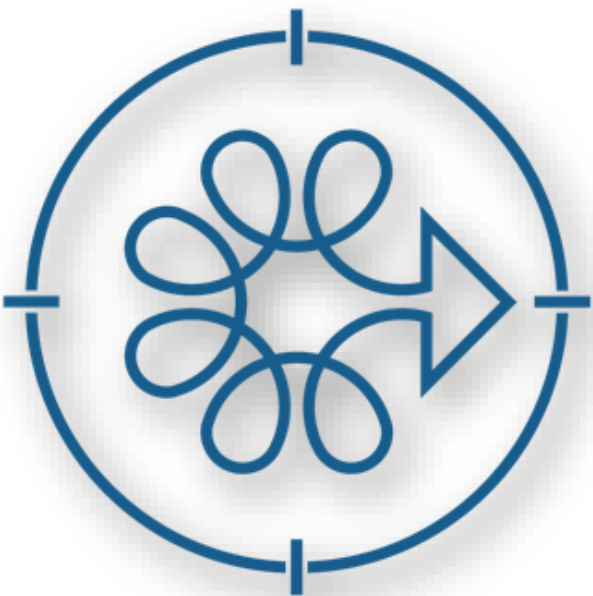
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