ILO contribution to the Report of the Secretary General

As a follow up to these conclusions the ILO is building the capacity of its constituents to develop strategies and engage in effective social dialogue to promote decent work and enable a just transition to a sustainable future of work in the sector. In this respect, the ILO is updating the 2013 guidance on addressing child labour in the sector with a view to provide recent insights into the nature, scope, causes, contributing factors and consequences of child labour as well as guidance and examples of good practices on how this challenge can be addressed in a systemic and sustainable way. The ILO is also working on a new Code of Practice on Safety and Health in aquaculture that will be discussed and adopted at a forthcoming Meeting of Experts at the end of 2025. The code will promote awareness and effective management and control of the of the hazards and risks associated with aquaculture aiming to prevent occupational accidents and diseases and improve the working environment. It will encourage cooperation among tripartite constituents and other stakeholders to enhance occupational safety and health, fostering positive attitudes in the sector.

At country level the ILO is working towards the promotion of resilient, inclusive and sustainable supply chains in the aquaculture sector in selected countries sch as the <u>Philippines</u>. In Latin America and the Caribbean, the ILO is advancing decent work in the aquaculture sector through promoting cooperative development among small scale fish farmers. In August 2023, in collaboration with UNIDO, the ILO organized a

Start.Coop tools to the aquaculture sector and in December 2023, the ILO supported national training workshops in Peru and in Ecuador, with a view to adopt the tools at the national level and to institutionalize the use of the two tools in the sector. This would contribute to the strengthening of aquaculture cooperatives to advance decent work, promote formalization, and improve productivity.

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