Resolution No. 1

BALI DECLARATION

The 17th ITUC-AP Regional General Council Meeting in Nadi, Fiji, 31 July - 1 August 2019:

NOTES

that the survey carried by the ITUC-AP aims to measure the impact and the implementation process of the Bali Declaration, which was adopted at the 16th Asia and the Pacific Regional Meeting (APRM) of the International Labour Organization (ILO) held in Bali, Indonesia on 9 December 2019:

REITERATES

labour governance, particularly in the form of tripartism and social dialogue, must be improved as this is a key to achieving priorities of the Declaration. To this end, a stable political climate must be created where the autonomy and independence of trade unions and employers' organisations are fully respected in compliance with Conventions 87 and 98;

HIGHLIGHTS

that there is a lack of initiatives taken by the Government in terms of implementation of policies based on the priorities set by the Bali Declaration;

that there has not been sufficient follow-up action by the ILO;

the ITUC-AP survey report on Bali Declaration will be used by the ITUC-AP to inform ILO and suggest ways to improve ILO interventions in order that the priorities as outlined in the Declaration are fully implemented before the next APRM scheduled to be held in 2020;

RECOMMENDS

that specific strategy must be developed for selected priorities, including a campaign for the ratification of fundamental Conventions, particularly Conventions 87 and 98;

CALLS FOR

the establishment of a joint task force made up of the ILO Regional Office, the ACTRAV and the ITUC-AP with a view to developing strategies with effective allocation of ILO resources;

REQUESTS

the ILO Governing Body for an intensive discussion in its next meeting in November 2019 on the implementation of the Bali Declaration in order that appropriate measures are taken in the next few months to effectively implement the Declaration before the next APRM in 2020;

DEMANDS

International Labour Office to further strengthen its cooperation in order to promote the publicity and importance of the Declaration in the programmes and activities of the ILO, the ITUC-AP, Governments and the unions; and

the ACTRAV to further improve its role for capacity building programmes for unions to develop their capacity to organise, conduct collective bargaining effectively and participate in establishing and implementing process of economic, social and labour policies, including those identified as national priorities by the Declaration. Capacity building programmes on International Labour Standards and ILO supervisory mechanism must be strengthened.