



International Conference  
**Employment in Times of Crisis**

Berlin, May 6, 2010

**Programme**

09.30 h Registration

10.00 h Welcome

**Peter Struck**, Deputy President, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Former Minister of Defense

10.15 h Keynote Speeches:

José Manuel **Salazar-Xirinachs**, Executive Director Employment Sector ILO  
Michael **Sommer**, President, German Trade Union Federation, DGB

Short Discussion

Chair: **Wolfgang Heller**, Director, ILO Berlin Office

11.00 h Tea / Coffee Break

11.30 h **Session I:** Employment and employment policies in times of crisis: Overview of global employment situation and policy responses to mitigate the employment crisis

Presenter: **Raymond Torres**, Director, International Institute for Labour Studies

Co-Presenters/Discussants:

**Ingrid M. Kollist**, Councillor for Labour and Social Affairs, Embassy of the United States of America to Germany

**Elisabeth Neifer-Porsch**, Director General, Division of Labour Market Policy, Federal Ministry for Labour & Social Affairs, Germany

Plenary Discussion

Chair: **Christoph Scherrer**, Professor, University of Kassel, Germany

13.00 h Lunch



14.00 h **Session II:** What works and how does it work? Analyzing different policy approaches and their impact on jobs, wages, working conditions and domestic demand

Presenter: **Matheus Stivali**, Instituto de Pesquisa Económica Aplicada, Brazil

Co-Presenters/Discussants:

**Do-Soon Ahn**, Professor of Economics, University of Seoul, South Korea

**Gustav Horn**, Director, Institut für Makroökonomie & Konjunkturforschung, Germany

**Danuta Wojdat**, NSZZ – Solidarnosc, Poland

Plenary Discussion

Chair: **Manfred Weiss**, Professor, University of Frankfurt, Germany

16.00 h Tea/Coffee Break

16.30 h **Session III:** Looking ahead – Innovative ways out of the employment crisis: from 'green recovery' to sustainable structural change

Presenter: **Michael von Hauff**, Professor, University of Kaiserslautern, Germany

Co-Presenter/Discussant:

**José Manuel Salazar-Xirinachs**, Executive Director Employment Sector ILO

Plenary Discussion

Chair: **Matthias Thorns**, Confederation of German Employers Associations, BDA

17.45 h Concluding Session:

**Renate Hornung-Draus**, CEO, Confederation of German Employers Associations, BDA, Germany

**Matthias Machnig**, Minister for Economic Affairs, Labour & Technology, Freestate of Thuringia, Germany

Short Discussion

Chair: **Hubert René Schillinger**, Co-ordinator, Dialogue on Globalization, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung

18.30 h Reception

Languages: German/English (Simultaneous translation provided)