

**STATEMENT BY WORKERS AND TRADE UNIONS**  
**Presented by Yahya Msangi**

**Chair and distinguished delegates,**

**I am delivering this statement on behalf of Workers and Trade Unions Major Group,**

We actors in the world of work follow with interest the work of this adhoc group because we believe that the work of this group may result into both negative and positive impacts on the well-being of workers and their families.

We therefore would like to remind this group of the need to take into account the following 2 issues:

- The possibility of loss of jobs which may contribute to further social unrest particularly in developing countries where there are large numbers of unemployed youths causing civil unrest.
- The possibility of creating jobs - but the objective should be to create Greener and Decent Jobs particularly to women and other vulnerable groups.

**Chair,**

Since finance is key to the success of our efforts let me briefly present the concerns of workers and Trade Unions on this item.

We appeal to distinguished experts who are present in this meeting to avoid common mistakes that we have witnessed in other existing financial mechanisms. Some of these mistakes include the failure to source funds from the industry, the inaccessibility of funds to some stakeholders particularly CSOs, the excessive allocation of funds to activities aimed at creating enabling environment instead of allocating funds to solve the real problem, lack of a long term sustainability plan of the fund and the lack of predictable contributions.

**Chair,**

We confirm our active engagement during this 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting and we look forward to constructive discussions and concrete outcomes.

I THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION