



Green Jobs – International Labour Organization perspective

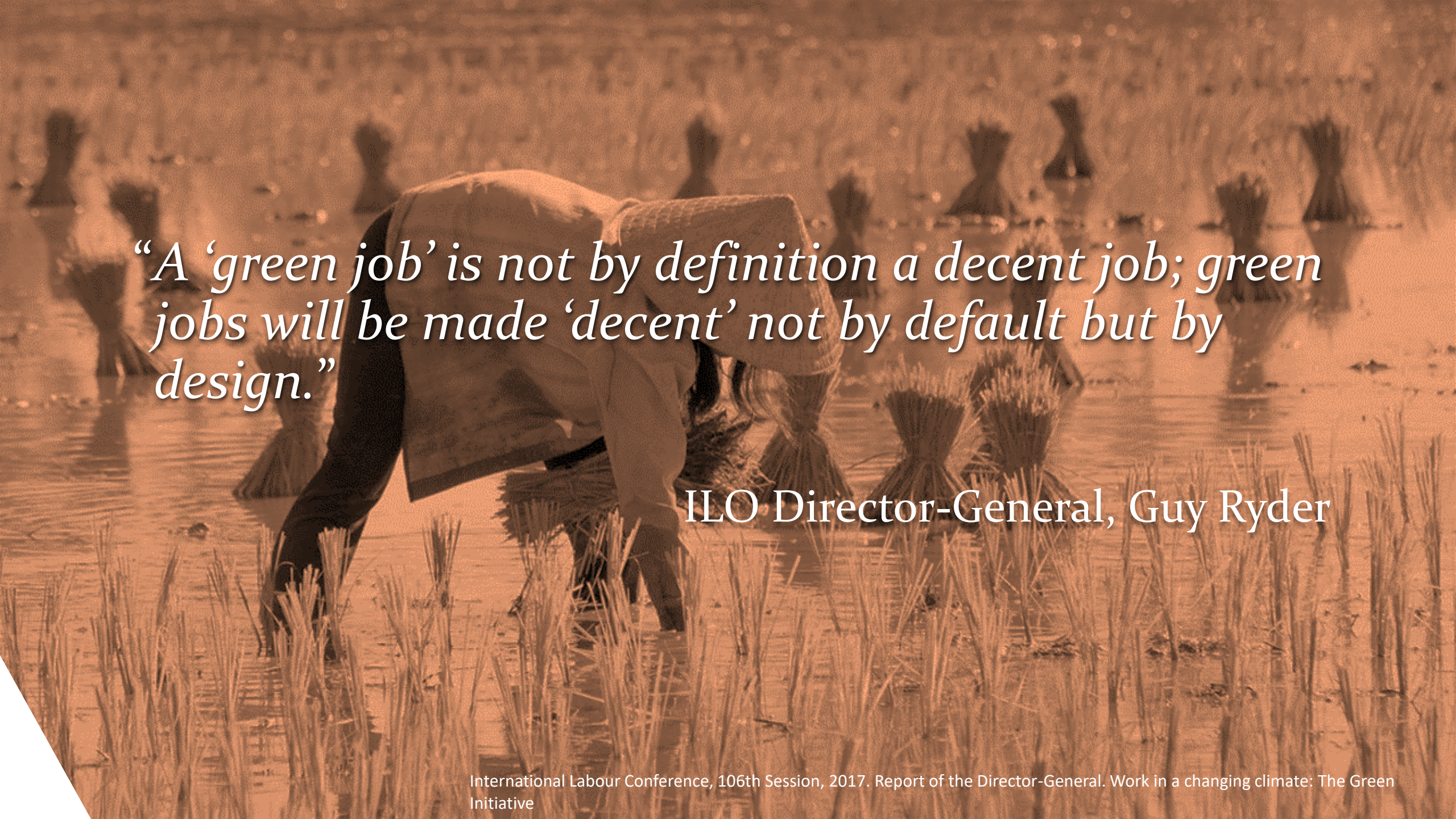
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Environment



Decent work

A person is seen from behind, carrying a large, rectangular bundle on their back. They are walking through a field of harvested rice stalks. The scene is bathed in a warm, golden light, suggesting late afternoon or early morning. The background shows other people and more bundles, creating a sense of a busy agricultural setting.

“A ‘green job’ is not by definition a decent job; green jobs will be made ‘decent’ not by default but by design.”

ILO Director-General, Guy Ryder

Green jobs are decent jobs that contribute to preserve or restore the environment.

Green jobs help:

- Improve energy and raw materials efficiency
- Limit greenhouse gas emissions
- Minimize waste and pollution
- Protect and restore ecosystems
- Support adaptation to the effects of climate change



Decent
Work



Design, set and monitor **international labour standards**, aimed at ensuring economic growth and development are not at the expense of **rights at work**.

Decent
Work



Promote jobs and income opportunities by making employment creation a priority.

Decent
Work



Ensure **access to social protection** for all, to help make sure no one is left behind.

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Foster tripartism and social dialogue, ensuring all world of work actors are 'in the room' to represent everyone's needs



ILO's work on green jobs

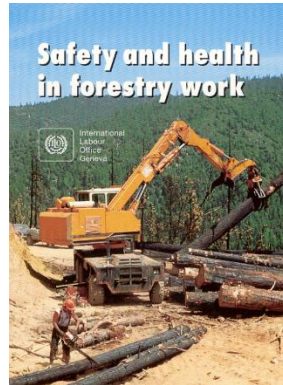


- 2030 Agenda
- Paris Agreement & collaboration with UNFCCC
- Partnership for Action on Green Economy (PAGE)
- Guidelines for a just transition towards environmentally sustainable economies and societies for all
- Green jobs assessments, Just transition, green enterprises, social protection, skills development, policy research...

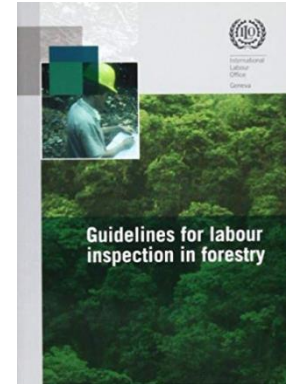
ILO's work on forestry

Two tools developed through meeting of experts:

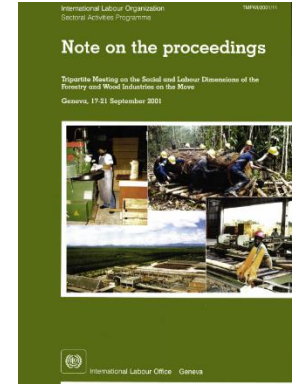
1998 – Code of Practice: Safety and health in forestry work



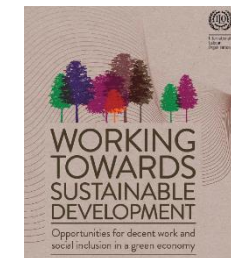
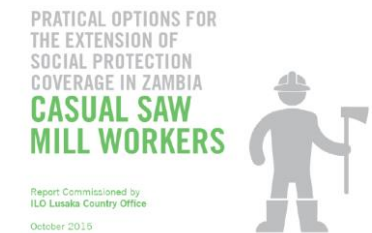
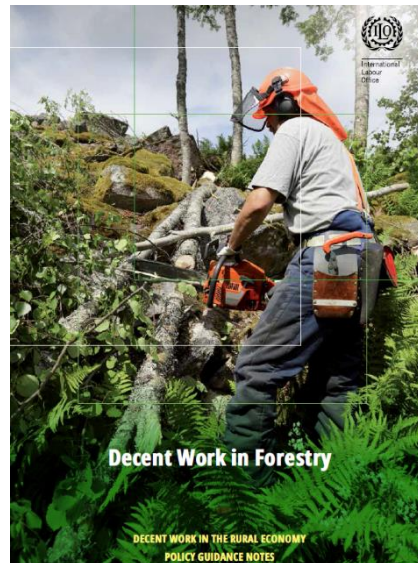
2005 – Guidelines for labour inspection in forestry



2001 – Tripartite Meeting on the Social and Labour Dimensions of the Forestry and Wood Industries on the Move



In May 2019 the ILO is organizing a tripartite Sectoral Meeting on promoting decent work and safety and health in forestry



Potential of green jobs in the future of work



- 18 million more jobs will result from achieving the Paris Agreement's 2°C goal.
- 6 million more jobs will result from embracing the circular economy.
- 1.2 billion jobs depend on a stable and healthy environment.

ILO 2018. World Employment and Social Outlook 2018: Greening with jobs.

Managed well, transitions to environmentally and socially sustainable economies can become a strong driver of job creation, job upgrading, social justice and poverty eradication.

ILC 2013. Conclusions concerning achieving decent work, green jobs and sustainable development

