# **Electronics Watch Work Conference** *Socially responsible public procurement of ICT hardware through independent factory monitoring* **14 November 2013 - Amsterdam, the Netherlands**

At the Hortus Botanicus (Laranja room)

# **Detailed Programme**

#### 9:00 - 9:20 Welcome

Pauline Overeem of SOMO, Explanation of the day's programme

### 9:20 - 9:40 Round of introduction

Everybody, Who is who?

#### 9:40 – 10:30 Presentation on Electronics Watch

- Jim Cranshaw, People & Planet (UK), Mission, model, services offered to public buyers, Advisory Group Working Groups (30 minutes)
- Q & A (20 minutes)

## 10:30 - 11:30 Presentations on labour issues in electronics production

- Felipe Burgueno, CEREAL (Mexico), Guadalajara electronics industry (20 minutes)
- Rena Lau, Globalization Monitor (Hong Kong), Electronics manufacturing in the Pearl River Delta (20 minutes)
- Q & A (20 minutes)

# 11:30 – 11:45 Break for coffee and tea, at the meeting venue

# 11:45 – 13:00 Presentations on factory investigations, monitoring and improvement

- Pauline Overeem, SOMO (Netherlands), Electronics Watch Monitoring and Reform Programmes (in their current preliminary form) (15 minutes)
- So Sheung, LESN (Hong Kong), Entry point assessment at electronics suppliers in the context of the electronics programme of the Dutch Sustainable Trade Initiative (15 minutes)
- Pui Kwan Liang, SACOM (Hong Kong), Drawing on students and academics for researching labour conditions (15 minutes)
- Kevin Slaten, China Labor Watch (US/China), Researchers posing as workers undercover investigations (15 minutes)
- Q & A (15 minutes)

## **13:00 – 14:00** Lunch, at the meeting venue

# 14:00 – 15:00 Presentations on initiatives on socially responsible public procurement

- Scott Nova of Workers' Rights Consortium WRC (USA), Monitoring labour conditions in garment factories in Asia and Latin America for US universities (15 minutes)
- Bjorn Claeson, Sweatfree Purchasing Consortium (USA), Providing governments with expertise and resources to monitor working conditions and enforce sweatfree standards (15 minutes)
- Kristina Areskog Bjurling, Swedwatch (Sweden), Researching labour conditions in China for Swedish public buyers (15 minutes)
- Q & A (15 minutes)

#### **15:00 – 15.15** Break

## **15:15 – 16.45** Group discussion

Guided discussion on key questions and points that emerge from the discussion:

- What information on human rights issues in the electronics industry do public sector buyers in Europe need in order to have leverage over electronics brands and suppliers via their contractual partners in the context of their SRPP policies and practises?
- What do CSOs in electronics production countries need in terms of access, support, capacity building, training and safety guarantees etc. in order to be able to engage in the monitoring process, provide the required information and be involved in longer-term improvement activities, including unionisation on factory level?
- How can monitoring of conditions and working with leading public buyers be used by European and US advocacy groups in their work campaigning for electronics brands to take responsibility for labour conditions in their supply chains?

**16.45 – 17:00** Wrap-up, Closure

**19:00 – 21.30** Dinner