





On the occasion of the fifty-sixth session of the Commission for Social Development **H.E. Ms. Katalin Bogyay, Permanent Representative of Hungary to the UN** Cordially invites you to a panel discussion on

The Role of Family Policies in Eradicating Poverty

An evidence and policy-based approach to empowering families

with

H. E. Ms. Katalin Novák Minister of State for Family and Youth Affairs, Ministry of Human Capacities of Hungary

H.E. Ms. Ana Helena Chacón Vice President of the Republic of Costa Rica

H.E. Ms. Joanna Wronecka Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Poland to the UN

Ms. Daniela Bas Director, Division for Social Policy and Development, UN Department of Social Affairs (DESA)

Mr. Ignacio Socías Director of International Relations, International Federation for Family Development (IFFD)

> **Ms. Katalin Kardosné Gyurkó** National Association of Large Families, Hungary

> > Tuesday, January 30th, 2017

13.15-14.30 pm

Conference Room 12, General Assembly Building

RSVP by 24 January (without UN Pass by 19 January): <u>http://bit.ly/2mKh3rV</u>

Concept Note

Several social groups that are in the focus of the Commission on Social Development – youth, families, ageing persons and persons with disabilities – often face additional challenges when it comes to fighting poverty, having access to decent work, and thus economic empowerment and social development.

Women should be given special attention in this regard: paid parental leave and the re-integration of mothers into the labor market, well-designed social benefit systems and quality, personalised and affordable childcare services, among others, are key not only in ensuring women's empowerment, but also the wellbeing of the extended family and the new generation.

The panel discussion will present and discuss social policies, including family policies and best practices that are designed to alleviate poverty and provide better outcomes for all family members, including balancing work and family commitments, valuing unpaid care and domestic work, increasing the participation of parents in the labor market and providing for more options concerning childcare, elderly care and quality education, among others.

