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5th February 2023 11:00 AM to 03:00PM UN Church Center, Floor 2

### THE SPEAKERS

Jean Quinn - Chair of NGO CSocD

Member of the NGO CSocD Bureau (TBC)

Dr. Michael Bröning - Executive Director of Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, NY

Wenyan Yang - Chief of GDSDB, UN DESA

MaryAnn Dantuono, Vice-Chair of NGO CSocD

Lara Hicks - Chair of the Civil Society Forum, NGO CSocD

## **ORIENTATION AND** NETWORKING SESSION

The objective of the Orientation Session is to introduce participants to the Commission's organization of work and the Priority Theme that will shape the debate of its 61st session. The Networking Session will continue as a dynamic way to interact with one another ahead of the official start of the Commission for Social Development. Icebreakers and introductions between participants will be facilitated around the Priority Theme.

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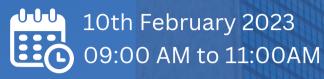
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Olivier de Schutter - UN Special Rapporteur on Extreme Poverty

Dr. Michael Bröning - Executive Director of Friedrich Ebert Stiftung NY

Daniela Bas - Director of Social Inclusion for UN DESA

Li Junhua - Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs

Lara Hicks - Chair of the Civil Society Forum, NGO CSocD

Moderated by MaryAnn Dantuono

### OPENING CEREMONY AND CIVIL SOCIETY FORUM

The opening panel of the Civil Society Forum will convene high-level stakeholders on the priority theme of CSocD61:

"Creating full and productive employment and decent work for all as a way of overcoming inequalities to accelerate the recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic and the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development."







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10th February 2023 11:00 AM to 12:45PM

### THE SPEAKERS

H.E. Amara Sowa - Deputy UN Permanent Representative of Sierra Leone (TBC)

Guillaume Charvon - Co-Founder of "Working and Learning Together Electronics Recycling"

Richa Gupta - SDG Young Leader, UN

Alphonsine Sefu - Youth Representative for the Baha'i International Community

Elizabeth Moshirian - Youth Representative for the Baha'i International Community

Khaled Emam - Executive Director of Justice Call, UN Major Group for Children & Youth

Moderated by Aria Ribieras

## **THEMATIC SESSION Nº1**

Marginalized youth living in poverty often face a range of challenges, including limited access to job opportunities and decent work. Many marginalized vouth are subjected to exploitative working conditions, lack of a living wage, and forced layoffs.

This panel will look at how work should enable youth to live in dignity and be recognized as useful members of society.

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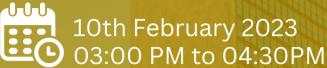
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### **THE SPEAKERS**

H.E Ana Paula Zacarias - Permanent Representative of Portugal to the UN

Dr. Arash Fazli - Asst. Professor, Head of Baha'i Chair for Studies, Dev.

Sharan Leslie Burrow AC - Former General Secretary of the International Trade Union Confederation

Laure Descoubes - Co-Director of the Local Committee for Employment "Zero Long-term **Unemployment Zones**"

Annick Vera - Activist, Poverty & Unemployment

Paul Ladd - Director, United Nations Research Institute for Social Development

Moderated by Lili Nkunzimana

## **THEMATIC SESSION Nº2**

Rethinking the Dominant Economic Paradigm - Ensuring Social Protections and Just Transitions in the World of Work.

The extent to which workers are inadequately protected is the reflection of a system that prioritizes progress at the expense of people. This panel will explore ways of rethinking this dominant economic paradigm and help pave the way for dialogue on creating societies prioritizing social protections.



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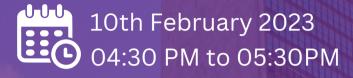
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Dr. Ify Ofong - WorldWIDE Network Nigeria

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## **CLOSING SESSION**

This session will conclude the 2023 Civil Society Forum with reflections shared by the NGO Committee for Social Development leadership, as well as hear from the outcomes of Regional Groups gathered earlier during the Forum. COMMISSION for SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT United Nation: Headquarters, New York

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### **THE GROUPS**

Latin America and the Caribbean

Africa (Francophone)

Asia



The U.S. and North America

Europe

Moderated by Dr Ify Ofong

## **REGIONAL GROUPS**

Moderated by Dr. Ify Ofong, WorldWIDE Network Nigeria. Dr. Ify will facilitate Regional Groups to discuss region-specific issues related to the CSocD61 priority theme. COMMISSION for SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT United Nation: Headquarters, New York

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