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CSocD Side Event:

Innovations for Inequality Reducing Social Protection Policies in Europe and Africa

Thursday 14 Feb
13:15 - 14:30

Conference room 12
United Nations HQ

*Entry from the corridor
between the book store and
the Vienna café*

Register by Thursday, 31 January to require an event ticket: https://www.lyyti.in/CsocD57_Finland

This Side Event will bring together experts from Africa, Europe and the UN to discuss recent innovations in equality enhancing social protection. What lessons could be learned for capacity development and policy making at national continental and global levels?

Equality enhancing social protection and labour market policies promote social mobility and opportunities for all to improve their lives. Reduction of inequalities thus decreases social conflicts and creates positive trust in the government, making it easier to respond to changing ecological, economic and social situations.

We will discuss how to progressively streamline fragmented social protection programmes into nationally appropriate social protection systems that cover all people throughout the life cycle. Specific experiences will be shared from African countries' efforts in developing multi-disciplinary social protection curricula for pre- and in-service training. These kinds of capacity development efforts are essential for the sustainability of social protection systems, and have been a focus area of the EU Social Protection Systems Programme / Finland. All are welcome!

Dr. Timo Voipio, Chief Expert, THL (Government of Finland's National Institute for Health and Welfare), EU Social Protection Systems Programme (EU-SPS)

Mr. Stanfield Michelo, Master Trainer, African Regional Social Protection Leadership Curriculum TRANSFORM, and former Director of Social Welfare Department, Government of Zambia

Dr. Päivi Mattila-Wiro, Head, Government Key Programme on Career opportunities for people with partial work ability

Adv. Bience Gawanas, UN Under Secretary General, UN Office of the Special Adviser on Africa

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