58th Session Commission for Social Development
CSocD58

Affordable housing and social protection systems for all
To address homelessness

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Celebrating 25 Years of Social Inclusion
Highlights of the CSocD58

**Opening Session**
10 February 2020
- Under-Secretary-General for UNDESA
- Civil Society Representative
- Youth Representative

**Four High-Level Panels**
1) Priority theme: “Affordable housing and social protection systems for all to address homelessness”
2) Ministerial Forum: WSSD+25
3) Multi-stakeholder Forum on the priority theme: Sharing solutions
4) Interactive dialogue with senior officials of the UN System on the priority theme

The **Civil Society Forum** on the priority theme will be held on 14 February, 10am - 1pm and 3 - 6pm in CR. 4
High-Level Panel on the Priority Theme

• The High-Level Panel on the Priority Theme on “Affordable housing and social protection systems for all to address homelessness” will take place on Monday 10 February from 3pm – 6pm in CR.4.

• It will lead the general debate on the priority theme focusing on:

- Inequality
- Social Protection
- Homelessness
Composition of the High-Level Panel

Keynote speaker

- H.E. Mary McAleese, Former President of Ireland (1997-2011)
- Maimunah Mohd Sharif, Executive Director of United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) (video message)

Panellists

- H. E. Aino-Kaisa Pekonen (Ms.), Minister for Social Affairs and Health of Finland (WEOG)
- Ms. Laura-Maria Crăciunean-Tatu, Associate Professor at the Lucian Blaga University of Sibiu, Romania and Vice-president of the UN Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
- Professor Dennis P. Culhane, Dana and Andrew Stone Chair in Social Policy, University of Pennsylvania, and the former Director of Research at the National Center on Homelessness among Veterans, the US Department of Veterans’ Affairs (2009-2018)
- Ms. Marissa Plouin, Housing Policy Analyst, OECD
- Professor Emeka Obioha, Professor of Sociology in the Department of Social Sciences and Research Chair, Faculty of Humanities, Social Sciences and Law at Walter Sisulu University, South Africa.
- Ms. Jean Quinn, DW, Executive Director of UNAMINA International, and the Co-Chair of the NGO Working Group to End Homelessness

Moderator Dame Louise Casey, DBE CB, appointed as UK Homelessness Czar in 1999, and lead the Troubled Families Programme and Respect Taskforce
Ministerial Forum

- Thematic Focus: “Twenty-five years of the World Summit for Social Development: Addressing emerging societal challenges to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda”, Tuesday, 11 February, 10:00am -1:00pm in CR.4.

- The UN Secretary-General, the President of the GA, the President of ECOSOC have been invited to the opening session of the Ministerial Forum.

- Member States to share national good practices and lessons in promoting social development since the WSSD, engaging in an interactive dialogue with the audience.
Composition of the Panel

Opening Statements
• UN Secretary-General
• The President of the General Assembly
• ECOSOC President

Keynote speaker proposed by the Secretariat
• Mr. Juan Somavia, Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Interregional Policy Cooperation, and the former Director-General of the ILO
• USG/ASG, DESA

Panellists
• H. E. Daniel Arroyo (Mr.), Minister of National Development of the Argentina
• H. E. Aino-Kaisa Pekonen (Ms.), Minister for Social Affairs and Health of Finland
• H. E. Ionut Stroe (Mr.), Minister of Sports and Youth of Romania

Moderator
• Ms. Shery Ahn, Co-anchor, Bloomberg/Newsroom
Multi-stakeholder Forum: Sharing solutions

• Thematic Focus: “Affordable housing and social protection systems for all to address homelessness”, Wednesday, 12 February, 10:00am – 1:00pm in CR. 4.

• Exchange information on challenges and identify opportunities and successful experiences to develop effective policies and strategies.
## Composition of the Panel

### Mayors/local government officials
- **São Paulo, Mr. Bruno Covas**, Mayor or alternately Mr. João Farias, Secretary of Housing at the Municipality
- **Addis Ababa, Mr. Takele Uma Benti**, Mayor of Addis Ababa
- **New York, Mr. Bill de Blasio**, Mayor of New York

### Panellists
- **Dr. Sam Tsemberis**, the Founder and Executive Director of Pathways to Housing, and the faculty of the Department of Psychiatry at Columbia University Medical Center
- **Mr. Chris Gardner**, the author of “Pursuit of Happiness”, entrepreneur, single parent, speaker and philanthropist
- **Ms. Amanda Misiko Andere**, MPA, Chief Executive Officer, Funders Together to End Homelessness
- **Mr. James Abro**, a prolific writer on poverty and homelessness in the United States

### Moderator
- **OBE Mark McGreevy**, Group CEO of DePaul International and the founder of the Institute of Global Homelessness at DePaul University
Interactive dialogue with senior officials of the UN Systems

- Thematic Focus: “Affordable housing and social protection systems for all to address homelessness”, Wednesday, 12 February, 3:00 – 6:00 pm in CR. 4.

- Current trends, good practices, innovative approaches, lessons learned at the regional levels to strengthen UN system support to Member States.
Composition of the Panel

Speakers

- UN Regional Commissions (ECLAC, ECA, UNESCAP, UNESCWA, UNECE)
- UN-Habitat
- ILO
- UNDP
- UNICEF
- UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction
- UN Office on Drugs and Crime

Moderator

- DESA USG/ASG
Secretary-General Reports and Notes

• Social dimensions of the New Partnership for Africa’s Development - E/CN.5/2020/2

• Affordable housing and social protection systems for all to address homelessness - E/CN.5/2020/3

• Modalities for the fourth review and appraisal of the implementation of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002 - E/CN.5/2020/4

• Emerging issues: Twenty-five years of the world summit for social development: Addressing emerging societal challenges to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda - E/CN.5/2020/.

• Nomination of a member of the Board of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development - E/CN.5/2020/6
Accessibility arrangements

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CSocD58 – Expected Outcomes

• Resolution -- Social dimensions of the New Partnership for Africa’s Development

• Resolution -- Priority theme “Affordable housing and social protection systems for all to address homelessness”

• Resolution -- Modalities for the fourth review and appraisal of the implementation of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002

• Resolution -- Persons with Disabilities (to be decided)

• Decision -- Priority theme of the 59th session
CSocD58 Side Events

- We have received notification of more than **60 side-events**, covering a range of relevant topics. All delegations are invited to participate.

- Information on side-events will be posted on the CSocD58 website, accessible through [social.un.org/csocd](http://social.un.org/csocd).
Conclusion of the session

• CSocD59 will open immediately after the official conclusion of the CSocD58, for the purpose of electing its officers.

• The deadline for submission of draft proposals is: Wednesday 12 February at 3:00 PM.
EVERYONE INCLUDED

Celebrating 25 years of championing social inclusion
Thank you

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