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## Provisional Agenda

### ACCELERATING GLOBAL ACTIONS FOR A WORLD WITHOUT POVERTY: GAPS, CHALLENGES AND PROGRESS

#### Inter-agency Expert Group Meeting on Implementation of the Third United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (2018-2027)

Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) Headquarters • Rome  
Iraq Room

4 – 6 March 2020

#### DAY 1 – Wednesday 4 March 2020

8:30 - 9:00	Registration
<b>Opening Session</b>	<b>Welcome and Introductory Statements: Achievements during the past Decades for the Eradication of Poverty and New Challenges</b>
9:20 – 9:50	<p><u>Facilitator</u>: <b>Ms. Meron Sherif</b>, DISD/ DESA</p> <p>Welcome message from <b>Ms. Daniela Bas</b>, Director, Division for Inclusive Social Development (DISD)/ Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA)</p> <p>Welcome message from <b>Mr. Laurent Thomas</b>, Deputy Director General – Operations, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)</p> <p>Welcome message from <b>Ms. Sara Savastano</b>, Director, Research and Impact Assessment Division, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)</p>
9:50 – 10:10	<b>BREAK</b>
10:10 – 10:30	<p><u>Facilitator</u>: <b>Ms. Daniela Kalikoski</b>, FAO</p> <p><b>Keynote speech</b>: <b>Mr. Stephen Pursey</b>, Policy Consultant – <i>Promoting policy coherence and system-wide actions for a world without poverty: gaps, challenges and progress for the UN system</i></p>
<b>Session 1</b>	<b>Setting the stage: poverty, employment, inequality and climate change</b>
10:30 – 11:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Presentation: <b>Mr. Andrew Shepherd</b> (Skype), Overseas Development Institute (ODI)– <i>Gaps, Challenges and progress in eradicating poverty: making the decade one of action and delivery</i></li> </ul>

11:00 – 11:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Presentation: <b>Mr. Rene Castro</b>, Assistant Director General, FAO – <i>Combating rural extreme poverty in the context of a changing climate</i></li> <li>▪ Presentation: <b>Mr. Aurelio Parisotto</b>, ILO – <i>Accelerating global progress to create decent employment</i></li> </ul> <p>Interactive Discussion</p>
11:30 – 11:50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Presentation: <b>Mr. Parfait Eloundou-Enyegue</b>, Cornell University – <i>Accelerating global progress to combat inequality</i></li> <li>▪ Presentation: <b>Mr. Jesus Crespo Cuaresma</b>, Vienna University of Economics and Business – <i>Assessing present and future global poverty: prospects and challenges for achieving SDG1</i></li> </ul>
11:50 – 12:10	Interactive Discussion
<b>Session 2</b>	<b>Understanding the issue: data and analysis requirements</b>
12:10 – 12:40	<p><u>Facilitator:</u> <b>Ms. Alexandra Yuster</b>, UNICEF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Presentation: <b>Ms. Sabina Alkire</b>, OPHI, Oxford – <i>What does the Global MPI tell us about gaps, challenges and progress in eradicating poverty?</i></li> <li>▪ Presentation: <b>Mr. Pali Lehohla</b>, Pan African Institute for Evidence - PIE – <i>Challenges and opportunities in strengthening national capacities on data collection and analysis to achieve evidence-based decisions for poverty eradication</i></li> </ul>
12:40 – 13:00	Interactive Discussion
13:00 – 14:00	<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>
<b>Session 3</b>	<b>Accelerating global actions for a world without poverty: country experiences</b>
14:00 – 14:40	<p><u>Facilitator:</u> <b>Ms. Ana Paula de la O Campos</b>, FAO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Presentation: <b>Mr. Dario Mejia</b>, National Indigenous Organization of Colombia – <i>Accelerating global actions for a world without poverty: the experience of Colombia</i></li> <li>▪ Presentation: <b>Ms. Dina Armanious Hanna</b>, Cairo University – <i>Accelerating global actions for a world without poverty: the experience of Egypt</i></li> <li>▪ Presentation: <b>Mr. Nango Dembele</b>, Michigan State University - <i>Accelerating global actions for a world without poverty: the experience of Mali</i></li> <li>▪ Presentation: <b>Dr. Sania Nishtar</b>, Government of Pakistan – <i>Accelerating global actions for a world without poverty: the experience of Pakistan</i></li> </ul>
14:40 – 15:20	Interactive Discussion
15:20 – 15:35	<b>BREAK</b>
<b>Session 4</b>	<b>Structural transformation, productive employment and the future of work in the context of a changing global scenario</b>
15:35 – 16:35	<p><u>Facilitator:</u> <b>Mr. Khalid Abu-Ismael</b>, ESCWA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Presentation: <b>Ms. Ayumi Fujino</b>, UNIDO – <i>Promoting Inclusive and sustainable industrial development</i></li> <li>▪ Presentation: <b>Mr. Patrick Osakwe</b>, UNCTAD – <i>Building productive capacities and transforming economies to achieve sustained and inclusive development</i></li> </ul>

- Presentation: **Ms. Amber Barth**, ILO – *Greening with Jobs: Opportunities for a transformational shift to achieve decent work and poverty eradication*
- Presentation: **Mr. Francisco Carranza**, FAO – *Ensuring access to productive resources, including land and water to reduce inequalities*

16:35 – 17:15

Interactive Discussion

17:15

Close

## DAY 2 – Thursday 5 March 2020

### Session 5

#### Expanding social protection systems to underpin poverty-reducing development and economic inclusion

9:00 – 9:45

Facilitator: **Mr. Stephen Pursey**, Policy Consultant

- Presentation: **Mr. Simone Cecchini**, ECLAC – *Social protection systems, poverty eradication and labour inclusion: Lessons from Latin America and the Caribbean*
- Presentation: **Ms. Alexandra Yuster**, UNICEF – *The Universal Child Grant initiative and reducing child poverty and its long-term consequences*
- Presentation: **Ms. Natalia Winder Rossi**, FAO – *Social Protection for Rural areas: what does it look like and what is needed?*

9:45– 10:20

Interactive Discussion

### Session 6

#### Human capability development: addressing the non-income forms of poverty

10:20– 10:50

Facilitator: **Ms. Sabina Alkire**, OPHI, Oxford

- Presentation: **Mr. Mansour Ndiaye**, UNDP – *Promoting integrated approaches and policy frameworks to address multidimensional poverty*
- Presentation: **Mr. Michael Herrmann**, UNFPA – *Harnessing the demographic dividend to eradicate poverty*
- Presentation: **Ms. Rohini Pande** (Skype), Harvard John F. Kennedy School of Government – *Tackling poverty in middle-income countries: challenges and opportunities posed by global mega trends*

10:50 – 11:15

Interactive Discussion

11:15 – 11:35

**BREAK**

### Session 7

#### The future of food and sustainable agriculture

11:35 – 12:20

Facilitator: **Mr. Nango Dembele**, Michigan State University

- Presentation: **Mr. Benjamin Davis**, FAO – *FAO's experience in eradicating rural extreme poverty and ending hunger: multisectoral policies for leaving no one behind in rural areas.*
- Presentation: **Ms. Ndaya Beltchika**, IFAD – *Leveraging food systems for inclusive rural transformation*
- Presentation: **Ms. Katrina Kosec**, IFPRI – *Strengthening rural institutions and governance for rural poverty eradication*

12:20 – 13:00

Interactive Discussion

13:00 – 14:00 **LUNCH BREAK**

**Session 8** **Structural constraints: Reducing inequalities and social exclusion**

14:00 – 14:30 Facilitator: **Mr. Parfait Eloundou-Enyegue**, Cornell University

- Presentation: **Mr. Venge Nyirongo**, UNWOMEN – *Tackling discriminatory labour practices, labour market segmentation and gender wage gaps*
- Presentation: **Mr. John Crowley** (Skype), UNESCO – *Addressing education and inequality to promote social inclusion*

14:30 – 14:50 **BREAK**

14:50 – 16:05 Interactive Discussion

**Session 9** **Eradicating Rural Poverty to Implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**

Facilitators: **Ms. Daniela Bas**, Director, DISD/DESA, **Mr. Benjamin Davis**, Strategic Programme Leader, FAO

- 16:05 – 16:20
- **Ms. Ana Paula de la O Campos**, FAO – *Outline for the Secretary-General's report on Eradicating Rural Poverty to Implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development*

16:20 – 17:00 Interactive Discussion

17:00 Close

**DAY 3 – Friday 6 March 2020**

9:00 – 9:20 Facilitator: **Ms. Margarita Astrálaga**, IFAD

**Keynote speech:** **Ms. Edidah L. Ampaire** (Skype), International Development Research Centre (IDRC) – *Challenges ahead: climate change in the context of weak institutions*

**Session 10** **Addressing climate change and the intensification of natural hazards**

- 9:20 – 10:05
- Presentation: **Ms. Kerstin Stendahl**, UNEP – *Strengthening the global response to the threat of climate change, sustainable development, and efforts to eradicate poverty*
  - Presentation: **Ms. Shipra Narang Suri**, UN - Habitat – *Climate change, sustainable urban development and poverty eradication*
  - Presentation: **Ms. Mariana Estrada**, FAO – *Effect of climate change in indigenous food systems*

10:05 – 10:25 Interactive Discussion

**Session 11** **Fighting poverty in fragile and humanitarian contexts**

10:25 – 11:25 Facilitator: **Dr. Sania Nishtar**, Government of Pakistan

- Presentation: **Ms. Annika Sandlund**, UNHCR – *Addressing the vulnerabilities of migrants, refugees and internally displaced persons and meeting their particular needs*

- Presentation: **Ms. S. Paola Alvarez**, IOM – *Poverty eradication through safe, humane and orderly migration/ Poverty eradication through safe migration, skills development and enhanced job placement*
- Presentation: **Ms. Alice Chen**, WFP – *Addressing food security in fragile and humanitarian contexts*
- Presentation: **Mr. Khalid Abu-Ismael**, ESCWA – *The impact of conflict and refugee crises on poverty in the Middle East and North Africa*

11:25 – 11:45

**BREAK**

11:45 – 12:25

Interactive discussion

## Closing Session

## Conclusion and the Way Forward

12:25 – 13:00

Facilitator: **Ms. Daniela Bas**, Director, DISD/DESA

12:25 – 12:45

Summary of key policy messages: **Ms. Hantamalala Rafalimanana**, DISD/DESA

12:45 – 12:55

Closing remarks and the way forward: **Mr. Benjamin Davis**, Strategic Programme Leader, FAO

12:55 – 13:00

Closing of the meeting: **Ms. Daniela Bas**, Director, DISD/DESA