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COMMISSION FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT (60TH SESSION)

LIST OF OPENING SPEAKERS AND PANELLISTS

Opening session

Monday, 7 February 2022, 10:00am to 11:00am
(General Assembly Hall)

- **H.E. Ms. Maria del Carmen Squeff**, Chair of the sixtieth session of the Commission for Social Development
- **H.E. Mr. Abdulla Shahid**, President of the General Assembly
- **H.E. Mr. Collen Vixen Kelapile**, President of the Economic and Social Council
- **Ms. Amina Mohammed**, Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations
- **Mr. Liu Zhenmin**, Under-Secretary-General, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA)
- **Ms. Maria-Laura Fornella-Oehninger** and **Ms. Monica Jahangir-Chowdhury**, Co-Chairs of the NGO Committee on Social Development
- **Ms. Lynrose Jane D. Genon**, Youth Representative, Member of the Executive Council of Young Women+ Leaders for Peace-Philippines

**High-level panel discussion on the priority theme
“Inclusive and resilient recovery from COVID-19 for sustainable livelihoods, well-being and dignity for all: eradicating poverty and hunger in all its forms and dimensions to achieve the 2030 Agenda”**

Monday, 7 February 2022 (3:00pm – 5:00pm)
Virtual

Keynote Speaker

Mr. Qu Dongyu, Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)

Panellists

H.E. Mr. Julián Domínguez, Minister of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries of Argentina

H.E. Mrs. María Juliana Ruíz Sandoval, First Lady of Colombia

Mr. Abdullah Hadda, Director of programming and social development at the Ministry of National Solidarity, the Family and the Status of Women of Algeria

Ms. Mikiko Otani, Chair of the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child

Ms. Maryann Broxton, Co-director of the Multidimensional Aspects of Poverty (MAP) research, ATD Fourth World, USA

Moderator

H.E. Ms. María del Carmen Squeff, Chair of the 60th session of the Commission for Social Development

**Ministerial Forum on the priority theme
“Strengthening multilateralism to deliver well-being and dignity for all by addressing
food insecurity and the eradication of poverty, including through the promotion of
sustainable food systems”**

Tuesday, 8 February 2022 (10:00am – 12:00pm)
Virtual

Panellists

H.E. Mrs. Dina Boluarte, Vice-President and Minister of Development and Social Inclusion of **Peru**

H.E. Ms. Hanna Sarkkinen, Minister of Social Affairs and Health of **Finland**

H.E. Ms. Williametta E. Saydee-Tarr, Minister of Gender, Children and Social Protection of **Liberia**

H.E. Ms. Ariunzaya Ayush, Minister for Labour and Social Protection of **Mongolia**

H.E. Ms. Mariam bint Ali bin Nasser Al-Misnad, Minister of Social Affairs and the Family of the State of **Qatar**

H. E. Mr. Sahil Babayev is the Minister of Labour and Social Protection of the Population of the Republic of **Azerbaijan**

H.E. Mr. Kentaro Uesugi, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs of **Japan**

Moderator

H.E. Ms. María del Carmen Squeff, Chair of the 60th session of the Commission for Social Development

High-level Panel Discussion on Emerging Issues
“National policies and measures implemented by Member States to combat hunger and poverty in times of the COVID-19 pandemic and beyond: Challenges to get on track towards the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda”

Wednesday, 9 February 2022 (10:00am– 12:00pm)
Virtual

Panellists

H.E., Ms. Marisol Merquel, President of the National Council for the Coordination of Social Policies, Argentina

H.E., Mr. Stephan Cueni, Ambassador and Vice-director of the Federal Social Insurance Office, Switzerland

Mr. Mohamed Kanoun, Expert at the National Institute of Agronomic Research of Algeria

Ms. Megumi Muto, Vice President, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)

Mr. Stephen Devereux, Research Fellow and Founding Director of the ‘Center for Social Protection’ at the Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex

Moderator

Prof. Rolph van der Hoeven, member of the United Nations Committee for Development Policy and Professor of Employment and Development Economics (Emeritus) at the International Institute of Social Studies, Erasmus University, Netherlands

Panel Discussion: Interactive Dialogue with senior officials of the UN Systems on the priority theme

Wednesday, 9 February 2022 (3:00pm – 5:00pm)
Virtual

Panellists

Mr. Mario Cimoli, Deputy Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)

Mr. Mounir Tabet, Deputy Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)

Mr. Máximo Torero, Chief Economist, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)

Ms. Åsa Regnér, Deputy Executive Director for Policy, Programme, Civil Society and Intergovernmental Support, United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women)

Ms. Shahra Razavi, Director of the Social Protection Department, International Labour Organization (ILO)

Moderator

Ms. Maria-Francesca Spatolisano, Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-Agency Affairs, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA)

Multi-stakeholder Forum on the priority theme

Thursday, 10 February 2022 (10:00am – 12:00pm)
Virtual

Keynote Speaker

H.E. Ms. Hanna Sarkkinen, Minister of Social Affairs and Health of **Finland**

Panellists

Ms. Sharan Burrow, General Secretary of the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)

Ms. Esther Penunia, Secretary General of the Asian Farmers' Association for Sustainable Rural Development (AFA)

Mr. Ariel Guarco, President of the International Cooperative Alliance

Ms. Elsa Marie D'Silva, President of Red Dot Foundation Global

Mr. Juan Carr, Social Entrepreneur and the Founder of Red Solidaria (social organization)

Moderator

Ms. Rose Ngugi, Executive Director of the Kenya Institute for Public Policy Research and Analysis (KIPPRA)