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International Day for the Eradication of Poverty



The ECOSOC President at the Eradication of Poverty celebration (17 Oct)

On 17 October, the President of ECOSOC attended a ceremony commemorating the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty. She [recognized](#) that more than 700 million people live in extreme poverty, and that extreme working poverty remains widespread. “Ending poverty in all of its forms and dimensions, everywhere, is at the center of the 2030 Development Agenda, set out in the very first of the Sustainable Development Goals,” the President of ECOSOC said. Ambassador King also stressed that the commitment of the international community to eliminating poverty is high, as reaffirmed by the General Assembly in proclaiming the *Third United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (2018-2027)*. “We firmly believe that to find effective

approaches to ending poverty, those experiencing it must have a seat at the table and be given tools to empower themselves and participate fully,” she stated. In that context, Ambassador King called on all stakeholders to participate in the High-level Political Forum and ECOSOC processes in 2019. She also stated, “I am optimistic that by working together, we will continue to strengthen the meaningful participation of those living in poverty and, in doing so, will bring to life the promise of the 2030 Agenda to leave no one behind”.

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