

Forty-Fifth Session of the Commission for Social Development

7 February to 16 February 2007

*Tentative List of side-events (1:15pm to 2:45pm, unless otherwise specified)**

Tuesday 6 February

CIVIL SOCIETY FORUM

1. Conference Room 4

[From 10:00 am to 6:00 pm]

By: The NGO Committee on Social Development, the Fredrich Ebert Foundation and the Division for Social Policy and Development

Wednesday 7 February

2. Conference Room: United Nations Delegates Dining Room (by invitation only)

[From 1 pm to 3 pm]

By: Jointly sponsored by AARP Global Aging Program and the Division for Social Policy

Theme: "Major Developments and Trends in Income Security for Older People"

Speakers: TBA

3. Conference Room: B

By: Division for Social Policy and Development, the NGO Committee on Social Development, United Nations Non-Governmental Liaison Service, Division for Social Policy and Development (NGLS)

Theme: Orientation of NGOs on the Commission for Social Development

Speakers: TBA

4. Conference Room C

By: International Immigrant Foundation jointly with the NGO Committees on Ageing, Family, Migration, and Social Development

Theme: Providing decent work for families: the search for effective practices

Speakers: Speakers: Moderator: Eva Sandis, NGO Committee on the Family; Zahra Nuru, Director and Senior Advisor, USG/HR, UN Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries, and Small Island Developing States; Florence Denmark, Ph.D., NGO Committee on Ageing; Stefanie Jenkins, Convener, Survey Data Collection Group, NGO Committee on Social Development; Joop Theunissen, Senior Social Affairs Officer, Social Perspective on Development Branch, DESA.

Thursday 8 February

5. Conference Room: United Nations Delegates Dining Room (**by invitation only**)
[From 1 pm to 3 pm]

By: Jointly sponsored by AARP Global Aging Program and the Division for Social Policy

Theme: "Major Developments and Trends in Health and Ageing"

Speakers: TBA

6. Conference Room: B

By: S.C.O.V.A (Sudan Council of Voluntary Agencies)

Theme: The art of humanity

Speakers: TBA

7. Conference Room: C

By: Triglav Circle

Theme: Panel discussion on Employment, Purpose and Human Dignity

Speakers: Jacques Baudot, J.Stanley Sanders, Judith Feldman, Richard Falk (To be confirmed)

8. Conference Room: 9

By: Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations

Theme: NGO Briefing

Speakers: Herrmann Kues, Parliamentarian State Secretary Federal Ministry on Family, Ageing, Women and Youth; Tina Moll, NGO Focal in the Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations

9. Conference Room: D

By: HelpAge, UNICEF and Save the Children

Theme: Social Protection and Decent Work for All Ages: How cash transfers unlock potential and deliver effective aid

Speakers: Mike Samson (Economic Policy Reserach Institute); Syliva Beales (Helpage International); Anna Taylor (Save the Children); K. Hagemeyer (ILO) TBA

10. Conference Room: Baha’I Office

By: Bahá’í International Community, Christian Children’s Fund and Global Youth Action Network

Theme: Education: Key to Youth Empowerment

Speakers: Brian O’Toole, Varqa Foundation; Mirellise Vazquez, Christian Children’s Fund; Representative, Global Youth Action Network(TBC)

Friday 9 February

11. Conference Room: United Nations Delegates Dining Room (by invitation only)
[From 1 pm-3 pm]

By: Jointly sponsored by AARP Global Aging Program and the Division for Social Policy

Theme: Major Developments and Trends in The Empowerment of Older Persons - Creating Enabling Environments

Speakers: TBA

12. Conference Room: C

By: Dayemi Complex Bangladesh

Theme: Caucus on Social Development for International Security

Speakers: His Eminency Dr. Hazrat Shah Sufi Mohammad N Alam

13. Conference Room: B

By: Permanent Mission of Finland to the United Nations

Theme: New Consensus on Comprehensive Social Policies for Development

Speakers: The meeting will be opened by Ms Liisa HYSSÄLÄ, Minister of Health and Social Services of Finland; and chaired by Ms Aino-Inkeri HANSSON, Director-General

Monday 12 February

14. Conference Room: 8

By: HelpAge and Global Action on Ageing

Theme: Implementing MIPAA. Citizen perspectives

Speakers: TBA

15. Conference Room: B

By: Division for Social Policy and Development

Theme: Regional social policies

Speakers: Chair: S. Zelenev, Chief Social Integration Branch, Social Policy and Development Division, UN DESA; Speakers: Mr. J.P. Tricard, Head of Unit, DG Employment, European Commission; Bob Deacon, Director Globalism and Social Policy Programme, UK; Vusi Madonsela, Director General Department of Social Development, South Africa; Timo Voipio, Senior Adviser on Social Policy, Finland.

16. Conference Room: C

By: World Human Rights Service Council

Theme: Panel discussion International Gross Violation of Human Rights & To Establish rule of Law

Speakers: Judge. Md. Ataur Rahman, Dr. Zamirul Akhtar, Md. Abdur Rouf Miah, Rotarian Mrs. Halima Begum, Mr. Shamsu Zzaman, Judge. Md. Shamsul Hoque, Mrs. Farhana Parvin, Mr. Mohammad Abdul Wadud

Tuesday 13 February

17. Conference Room: B

By: Social Integration Branch, Division for Social Policy and Development (DSPD), Department for Economic and Social Affairs (DESA)

Theme: Participatory dialogue: towards a stable safe and just society for all

Speakers: Moderator: Sergei Zelenev, Chief, Social Integration Branch, DSPD/DESA; Presenters: Gay Rosenblum-Kumar – Governance and Public Administration Branch DESA; Mr. Chetan Kumar, Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery, UNDP

18. Conference Room: C

By: Global Action on Aging

Theme: Disappearing Pensions in Rich Countries

Speakers: TBA

19. Conference Room: 4

By: AARP-IAHSA

Theme: Multiculturalism: New Consumers, New Provider Responses

Speakers: Professor Naina Patel is founder and director of the Policy Research Institute on Ageing & Ethnicity (PRIAE) TBA; other panelists include Dr. William T. Smith Member, IAHSA Board of Directors, CEO, Aging in America; Line Vreven Director, AARP Global Aging Program; Dr. Gilda A. Glasinovich, United Nations Representative, Technical Adviser on Gender & Immigrant Populations

Wednesday 14 February

20. Conference Room: 8

By: United Nations Non-Governmental Liaison Service, Division for Social Policy and Development (NGLS), and The Permanent Mission of Spain to the United Nations

Theme: Briefing on the + 5 Review of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing – opportunities for NGO participation in the review process in 2007

Speakers: Dr. Alexander Sidorenko, UN Focal Point on Ageing; Mr. Ignacio Robles, Secretary General of IMSERSO (Institute of Older Persons and Social Services; Instituto de Mayores y Servicios Sociales - Spain); Ms. Thelma Key, Director, Chief Emerging Social Issues Division, ESCAP (tbc); Mr. Jose Miguel Guzman, ECLAC (tbc); Helen R. Hamli, International Federation on Ageing (IFA)

21. Conference Room: 9

By: Economic and Social Council of Western Asian, and the Department Economic and Social Affairs

Theme: Building National Social Policies: Progress and Lessons Learnt

Speakers: Chair: J. Scholvinck, Director Social Policy and Development Division, UN DESA; Speakers: Thandika Mkandawire, Director UNRISD; Isabel Ortiz, Senior Inter-regional Advisor, UN DESA; Francois Farah, Chief Social Development, UN ESCWA; Vusi Madonsela, Director General Department of Social Development, South Africa.

22. Conference Room: B

By: Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations

Theme: NGO Briefing

Speakers: Tina Moll, NGO Focal in the Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations

23. Conference Room: C

By: International CURE

Theme: The Importance of People in Prison being Fully employed

Speakers: Dr. Thomas Petersik

24. Conference Room: 3

By: International Disability Alliance (IDA), and the CONGO Subcommittee on Disability Rights

Theme: The UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities: A rights-based approach to development

Speakers: *Moderator:* William Rowland, President, World Blind Union; Martha Lucia Osorno Posada, Board Member, World Federation for the Deaf; UN Special Rapporteur on Disability Sheikha Hissa Al-Thani; Jorge Ballester, Minister Counselor, Permanent Mission of Costa Rica and Vice President of the Bureau of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; Janet Amegatcher, Board Member of the World Network of Users and Survivors of Psychiatry (WNUSP), President of the Pan African Network of Users and Survivors of Psychiatry (PANUSP), and Executive Director of Mind Freedom Ghana

Thursday 15 February

25. Conference Room: B

By: The World Society for the Protection of Animals (WSPA)

Theme: Protecting human livelihoods through animal welfare: towards a universal declaration on animal welfare

Speakers: Larry Winter Roeder, Jr. MS, United Nations Affairs Director WSPA; Justine Smith, Campaigns Manager, WSPA

26. Conference Room: C

By: New Humanity

Theme: Creating Jobs for People with Disabilities and for Hard-to-Employ Populations: Public – Private Cooperation

Speakers: Archbishop Celestino Migliore, Holy See Mission to the United Nations; Massimiliano Costa, Vice President of the Liguria Region of Italy; Dr. Maurizio Cantamessa, CEO – Tassano Consortium; Giacono Linaro, President – Tassano Consortium; Alberto Ferrucci, President -- New Humanity; Paolo Veardo, Counselor for Solidarity within the City, Genoa, Italy