



**Fifty First Session of the Commission for Social Development
6 to 15 February 2013**

Tentative List of Side-Events
*(1:15pm to 2:30pm, unless otherwise specified)**

Wednesday 6 February

1. Conference Room: B, NLB

Organizers: Permanent Mission of Finland to the United Nations

Theme:

Speakers:

2. Conference Room: C, NLB

Organizers: International Presentation Association of the Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Theme: Grass Root Voices Do Have Choices, Human Rights + Participation = Empowerment

Speakers: 1. One Member State (tbc) 2. Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (to be finalized) 3. Dina Potter, International Presentation Association of the Sisters of the Presentation 4. Voices from Grass Root - ATD Fourth World / International Presentation Association 5. Nicholas Lusiani, Senior Researcher, Center for Economic and Social Rights- Moderator

3. Conference Room: E, NLB

Organizers: UNDESA Division for Sustainable Development (DSD)

Theme: Green jobs: creating opportunities for youth employment

Speakers: Director, DSD/DESA Representative of ILO

4. Conference Room: 6, NLB

Organizers: Joint UNECA/AU

Theme: The African Common Position on the Human Rights of Older Persons in Africa

Speakers:

5. Conference Room: 7, NLB

Organizers: Permanent Mission of Brazil

Theme: Brazil without Extreme Poverty Plan

Speakers: Representative of the Brazilian Ministry of Social Development and Fight against Hunger

Thursday 7 February

6. Conference Room: B, NLB – 1pm to 3.30pm

Organizers: DESA-DSPD and Club Madrid

Theme:

Speakers:

7. Conference Room: Bahá'í Offices, 866 United Nations Plaza, Suite 120, New York

Organizers: Bahá'í International Community

Theme: Empowerment: Of whom? By what means? Towards what ends?

Speakers: 1. Mrs. Sewa Lamsal Adhikari Minister Plenipotentiary, Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal to the United Nations

2. H.E. Mr. Carlos Enrique García González Ambassador, Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of El Salvador to the United Nations

3. (Moderator) Mr. Ming Hwee Chong, Representative, Bahá'í International Community

Friday 8 February

8. Conference Room: B, NLB

Organizers: ILO and NGO sub-Committee for poverty eradication

Theme: Social Protection Floor - Implementation of ILO Recommendation 202 - A Tool towards Empowerment

Speakers:

9. Conference Room: C, NLB

Organizers: Government of Finland/National Institute for Health and Welfare (THL) in collaboration with HelpAge International and UNFPA

Theme: Sustainable ageing policies for our changing world in the post 2015 era

Chair: Mr. Jose Miguel Guzman / UNFPA,

Speakers: Mr. Ronald Wiman, National Institute for Health and Welfare, Finland

Ms. Isabella Aboderin, African Population and Health Research Center

Mr. Richard Morgan, Special advisor to the SG on Post 2015 for the UN

Ms. Sylvia Beales, HelpAgeInternational

Ms. Vappu Taipale, Occupy Your Own Age – NGO

10. Conference Room: E, NLB

Organizers: International Movement ATD Fourth World

Theme: Promoting Empowerment through the Guiding Principles on Extreme Poverty and Human Rights

Speakers: Magdalena Sepúlveda Carmona, Special Rapporteur on Extreme Poverty and Human Rights (video) • Representative of the Permanent Mission of Peru to the United Nations • Permanent Mission of France to the United Nations • Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (tbc) • Niko Lusiani, Center for Economic and Social Rights (tbc)

Monday 11 February

11. Conference Room: A, NLB

Organizers: INPEA on behalf of the Global Alliance for the Rights of Older Persons

Theme: Successful NGO Advocacy for Ageing in the Post 2015 Social Development Agenda: Knowing where, when and how

Speakers: Susan Somers, INPEA Jim Collins, NGO Committee on Ageing, NY Global Alliance Representatives

12. Conference Room: B, NLB 3pm-4pm

Organizers: Permanent Mission of Spain to the United Nations

Theme: Inter-Agency Work on Youth, Employment and Migration Issues

Speakers:

13. Conference Room: B, NLB

Organizers: UNDESA-DSPD/TCU

Theme: Briefing on Technical Cooperation on Social Policy for Member States

Speakers: Oleg Serezhin, DSPD/DESA, Robert Venne, DSPD/DESA

14. Conference Room: C, NLB

Organizers: Loretto Community

Theme: Policy Space through Domestic Resource Mobilization - a Key to Empowerment for Sustainable Development

Speakers: Sarah Cook, Director, United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD) -Bhumika Muchhala, Third World Network (tbc)

15. Conference Room: D, NLB

Organizers: UNDESA-DSPD

Theme: Empowering people: The role of cooperatives

Speakers:

Tuesday 12 February

16. Conference Room: 4, NLB

Organizers: DSPD and United Nations Regional Commissions

Theme: Inputs to the GA High-level Meeting on Disability and Development

Speakers:

17. Conference Room: B, NLB

Organizers: International Federation for Family Development (IFFD)

Theme: Towards 2014 - Promoting empowerment of families

Speakers: Ignacio Socias (Family Watch) Renata Kaczmarek (UN family) Cristina Napolitano (Family Enrichment NY) Waiting for personalities response

18. Conference Room: C, NLB

Organizers: Sisters of Charity Federation, Rainforest Alliance, Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues and Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur

Theme: Local Learning, Global Impact: Contributing to a Healthy and Prosperous Planet

Speakers: Maria Ghiso, Rainforest Alliance tbd, UNESCO Student, Rainforest Alliance School Program

19. Conference Room: D, NLB

Organizers: UN-Habitat

Theme: Youth 21 towards Youth Empowerment

Speakers: Doug Ragan, Ravi Karkara, Joao Felipe Scarpelini, Nicola Shepherd, Arvinn Eikeland Gadgil, Youth Delegate

Wednesday 13 February

20. Conference Room: A, LB

Organizers: International Association of Economic and Social Councils and similar institutions (AICESIS)

Theme: What are the new problems and what role can the organized civil society play in promoting youth employment and socio-professional integration

Speakers: Hanifa Mezoui, Permanent Representative, AICESIS International Association of Economic and Social Council and Similar Institutions (IGO in Observer status with ECOSOC)

21. Conference Room: B, NLB

Organizers: International Council of Psychologists, Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues, for the NGO Committee on Migration

Theme: Promoting the Human Development and Contributions of International Migrants through Social and Economic Inclusion and Participation

Speakers: Anne Grobet, United Nations Operations, Invited Maria Pia Belloni, World Association of Early Childhood Education, Invited Corann Okorodudu, Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues & Chair, Psychology Coalition at the UN

22. Conference Room: C, NLB

Organizers: European Union of Public Relations

Theme: NGOs International Conference

Speakers: Alessandro Pettenuzzo

23. Conference Room: C, NLB – 3pm to 5pm

Organizers: NGO Committee for Social Development

Theme: NGO Committee Meeting

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24. Conference Room: A, NLB – 3pm to 5pm

Organizers: International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (IUAES)

Theme: Empowering Youth in order to promote their mental wellbeing

Speakers: Roger Hart, Director, Center for Human Environments, CUNY Graduate Center, New York City; Laura Vural, Director of Education and Audiovisual Arts,, Harlem's Children's Zone, New York City; Martha Bragin, Professor of Global Social Work and Practice with Immigrants and Refugees, Hunter College.

25. Conference Room: B, NLB

Organizers: ACTION DE SENSIBILISATION SUR LES NOUVELLES TECHNOLOGIES DE L'INFORMATION ET DE LA COMMUNICATION - ASNTIC

Theme: L'apport des Technologies de l'Information (Mobile) à l'éradication de la pauvreté, à la création d'emploi direct et indirect en République Démocratique du Congo, perspectives d'avenir

Speakers: Engineer FUNDI Serge, CEO ASNTIC AMURI Désiré, CEO CODASYL DR Congo
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26. Conference Room: C, NLB

Organizers: Society of Catholic Medical Missionaries

Theme: Women empowerment through decent job as maisons and Carpenters

Speakers: Ms. Radhika Prakash and Teresa Mathew of India c/o Catholic Medical Missionaries and a representative from the Mission of Brazil

27. Conference Room: D, NLB

Organizers: International Council of Psychologists

Theme: Barriers Confronting Older Persons and Families

Speakers: Chair, Florence Denmark, International Council of Psychologists Sergei Zelenev, Executive Director and Special Representative to the UN of the international Council on Social Welfare (ICSW) Walter Reichman, Ph.D., International Association of Applied Psychology Mary Mayer, International Federation on Ageing Bahira Trask, Ph.D.,

University of Delaware Discussant: Janet Sigal, Ph.D., American Psychological Association

Friday 15 February

28. Conference Room: A, NLB

Organizers: Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues & the following ECOSOC-accredited NGO members of the Psychology Coalition at the UN: Association for Trauma Outreach and Prevention, American Psychological Association, International Council of Psychologists, International Association of Applied Psychology, World Council for Psychotherapy

Theme: Promoting Resilience, Health and Empowerment for Social Development: A Psychosocial Perspective

Speakers: 1) George Bonano, Ph.D., Professor of Psychology & Education & Professor of Clinical Psychology, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York 2) Werner Obermeyer, Senior External Relations Officer, World Health Organization Office at the UN, New York INVITED 3) Beth Shinn, Ph.D., Professor and Chair, Department of Human and Organizational Development, Vanderbilt University 4) Wade Picktren, Ph.D., Director of the Center for Faculty Excellence, Ithaca College, Ithaca, New York

29. Conference Room: B, NLB

Organizers: Holy See Mission

Theme: The Family - A Resource of the Society

Speakers: H.E. Archbishop Vincenzo Paglia, President of the Pontifical Council for the Family, and H.E. Archbishop Francis Chullikatt, Permanent Representative of the Holy See to the United Nations.

30. Conference Room: C, NLB

Organizers: International Federation of Women Lawyers & International Federation of Women in Legal Careers

Theme: Employment and Entrepreneurship for Women in Post Conflict Situations

Speakers: Denise Scotto, Esq. International Federation of Women Lawyers and International Federation of Women in Legal Careers; June Willenz, World Veteran Federation; UN Women Representative (Anne Marie Goetz); Global Network of Women Peace builders Representative

31. Conference Room: E, NLB

Organizers: Salesian Missions

Theme: Empowering people living with HIV by eliminating discrimination

Speakers: Adrian Guzman, Positive Justice Project, HIV-Specific Laws and Policies and How to Empower PLWHA to Overcome Resultant Social Exclusion Eric Sawyer, UNAIDS, Overcoming Stigma and Discrimination: the Road to Empowerment Micheal Ighodaro, PLWHA, activist, Nigerian National, Empowering Oneself to Combat Discrimination and Social Exclusion Moderator: Thomas Brennan, Salesian Missions