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Interactive dialogue with senior officials of the UN System on

How to improve mainstreaming of social considerations in development frameworks?

Thursday, 8 February 2024, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., Conference room 4, UNHQ

Concept Note



1. Background

Social development that builds inclusive, resilient and sustainable societies for all provides a foundation for peace and stability. However, sustained social development cannot be effectively pursued through social policies alone. Other related policies, including economic and labour market policies, need to be better integrated and aligned with the social perspective to achieve fair and sustainable social outcomes.

Failure to build peoples' resilience, provide equal opportunities, close gaps in access to basic services and tackle inequalities raises important questions about the nature and effectiveness of current development frameworks. Are current development frameworks fit for purpose? Are countries doing enough? Are development policies working in synergy to achieve the SDGs while ensuring that no one is left behind? Is domestic resource mobilization matching the scale and ambition of the 1995 Copenhagen Declaration and Programme of Action and the 2030 Agenda?

The Commission for Social Development (CSocD) will convene its sixty-second session from 5 to 14 February 2024, with a priority theme of "Fostering social development and social justice through social policies to accelerate progress on the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and to achieve the overarching goal of poverty eradication". On 8 February 2024 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., an interactive dialogue with senior officials from the United Nations system will focus on *How to improve mainstreaming of social considerations in development frameworks?*

2. Objective and structure

The interactive dialogue provides an opportunity for Member States and other stakeholders, including representatives of civil society, to interact with senior officials from the United Nations regional commissions and the International Labour Organization (ILO). The dialogue's main objective is to address policy coherence.

Panellists are invited to structure their 10-minute presentations around recent activities, lessons learned and policy recommendations, on topics ranging from integrating social considerations into broader development frameworks, to strengthen policymaking and coordination at the national, regional and global levels to accelerate implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

The outcome of the discussion will be reflected in the Chair's summary as part of the inputs from the Commission for Social Development to ECOSOC's high-level segment and the 2024 High-Level Political Forum.

Proposed time allocation for the panel discussion

Speaker	Suggested speaking time
<i>Chair</i> : Opening remarks	3 minutes
<i>Moderator</i> : Remarks and introduction	5 minutes
<i>Panellists</i> : Presentations	10 minutes per panellist
<i>Q & A</i> : From the floor	60 minutes
<i>Panellists</i> : Concluding remarks	3 minutes per panellist
<i>Moderator</i> : Summary and conclusion	5 minutes
<i>Chair</i> : Closing	3 minutes