

Join GFDD/Funglode in partnership with the NGO Committee for Social Development and the NGO Committee on Financing for Development, for a panel discussion during the 54th session of the Commission for Social Development

Financing Tools for Reducing Social Inequalities

FREE EVENT



Speakers

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Date: Thursday February 4, 2016

Time: 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm

Location: Conference Room E, United Nations Headquarters, New York, NY, 10017

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Financing Tools for Reducing Social Inequalities, a CSocD 54 Side Event

In July 2015, world leaders at the Third International Conference on Financing for Development in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia reached an agreement to provide a global framework for financing sustainable development, including important policy commitments relating to infrastructure, social protection and technology.

Two months later, following years of consultations and negotiations, UN Member States formally adopted the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, embracing ambitious goals on global priorities including ending poverty and hunger, reducing social inequality, tackling climate change, and preserving the planet's natural resources.

Finally, in December, after weeks of tireless negotiations at the United Nations climate change conference (COP21) the 195 Parties to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change pledged to curb emissions, strengthen resilience and join to take common climate actions. This outcome aims to prevent loss and damage for those that are most vulnerable to climate impacts, and enable financial support for developing countries for adaptation and mitigation measures.

One thing is clear, adequate financing will be required to achieve these ambitious agendas. But there is growing recognition that financing must be leveraged in ways that will reduce global inequalities, which cripple participation in decision-making processes, lead to higher levels of social isolation, undermine economic vitality, and distort perceptions of human capacity.

A central question to be addressed, then, is how the Addis Ababa Action Agenda can serve as an instrument to reduce inequalities and encourage a people-centered approach to strengthening social development and care for the future of our planet?

Join the NGO Committees on Financing for Development and Social Development at the United Nations during the 54th Session of the Commission for Social Development (CSocD54) on Thursday, February 4, 2016 from 1:15pm to 2:30pm at Conference Room E for an interactive debate with high-level representatives from the United Nations, Member State delegates and civil society experts, as we look to understand how each stakeholder in the development arena can use the tools of financing for development to help overcome the challenges ahead and make this bold agenda a reality.

