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Side Event on Reduced Inequalities (SDG 10)



HIGH-LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Overcoming barriers to reduce inequalities: Policies to leave no one behind and achieve greater equality

July 15, 2019, 7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

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The German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), the Association of German Development and Humanitarian Aid NGOs (VENRO) and the International Labour Organization (ILO) are hosting a side event on Reducing Inequalities within and among countries (SDG 10).

Reducing inequalities (SDG10) is essential for overcoming extreme poverty (SDG 1) and a successful implementation of the 2030 Agenda as a whole. Many countries experience high and increasing inequalities. A reversal of this trend is not in sight. Therefore, it is paramount to take political action towards reaching this central goal of the 2030 Agenda. Strong social protection and redistributive policies significantly reduce inequality within countries. Therefore, it is essential to develop overarching strategies, build universal social protection systems as well as assess and increase redistributive capacities. These measures have to ensure that no one is left behind and equitable access to protection against risks and against poverty for all people is guaranteed.

The panel will discuss the most persistent barriers to a sustained reduction of inequalities and the contribution of fiscal and social protection policies to overcome inequalities worldwide.

Refreshments and snacks will be served.

Please confirm your participation by July 11 to Ms. Johanna Hauf (johanna.hauf@bmz.bund.de), stating your name, position and affiliation.

For further questions, please contact Ms. Johanna Hauf or Ms. Sonja Grigat (s.grigat@venro.org).



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WELCOME

Dr Maria Flachsbarth

Parliamentary State Secretary

German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)

Dr Luise Steinwachs

Deputy Chair

Association of German Development and Humanitarian Aid NGOs (VENRO)

PANEL DISCUSSION

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