



Permanent Mission
of Belgium to the
United Nations



International
Labour
Organization



Permanent Mission
of Brazil to the
United Nations

High-Level Ministerial Panel

Thursday, 26 September - 10:00am - 11:45am - UN Headquarters, Room 9 (CB)



Speakers will include:

H.E. Mr. Jean-Pascal Labille, Minister for Development Cooperation of Belgium
Mr Guy Ryder, Director-General of the International Labour Organization
Mr Romulo Paes, Director of the Rio+ World Centre for Sustainable Development

Social protection policies have proven to be effective measures to accelerate the achievements of the MDGs, address poverty and inequalities and to boost sustainable development. Well-designed social protection floors can have a transformative role in contributing to long-term inclusive growth while also enhancing resilience against economic and social crises.

Today, only one in five people in the world is covered by adequate social protection systems. The lack of social protection will remain a major challenge beyond 2015, compounded by instability and cyclical fluctuations in the global economy, as well as structural changes—demographic trends, labour markets, climate change, and the transition to a more environmentally friendly development path. The failure to address the social protection gaps could worsen inequalities and have a negative impact on the social and political conditions conducive to economic growth. This event will showcase innovative approaches to tackle inequalities and promote inclusive growth through effective and sustainable social protection policies.

Please RSVP to newyork@ilo.org to confirm your participation.

Contacts:

James Canonge
canonge@ilo.org

Kathelijne Cooreman
kathelijne.cooreman@diplobel.fed.be