SIDE EVENT ECOSOC Forum on Financing for Development



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A Global Commitment to Finance Social Protection Floors: Next steps

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In the Addis Ababa Conference on Financing for Development Member States committed to establish a new social compact.

This social compact includes social protection (cash transfers) and social services (such as education, health, water, sanitation and housing).

It contains a commitment to provide nationally appropriated social protection systems and measures for all, including floors. Countries are encouraged to set national spending targets for quality investments in these areas.

The side event aims to stimulate a discussion on providing concrete suggestions on the operationalization of the Addis commitment to a new social compact, with a specific focus on social protection. Participants will discuss and explore coherent funding modalities for providing fiscally sustainable and nationally appropriated social protection floors, in terms of nationally appropriated spending targets and international support, including ODA allocations, as well as new innovative sources of finance.

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