



International Conference on Social Protection and ASEM 2016: Achieving Social Security for All in Asia and Europe

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Venue:	Hotel Ulaanbaatar (centrally located in Ulaanbaatar) www.ubhotel.mn +976-11-320620
Accommodation:	Hotel Ulaanbaatar (invited international guests)
Languages:	English and Mongolian
Participants:	50 - 70 (Guest speakers from Asia and Europe, participants of the AEPF11 People's Forum and AELF10 Labour Forum, representatives from co-operation partners, trade unions, NGOs)

Background

Social Protection Floors (SPF) is one of eleven Global Initiatives of the United Nations adopted in April 2009. The International Labour Organization (ILO) adopted Social Protection Floors Recommendation (No. 202) in June 2012. All member states of the ILO are encouraged to provide to their population (which means not only to their citizens) a universal minimum level of social benefits and services. This includes among others: health care, education, care and nutrition for children and income security for those of working age, older people and those with disabilities.

The potential of SPF to eradicate poverty and to balance economic and social uncertainties has been reaffirmed by its prominent role in the Sustainable Development Goals of the United Nations. To lobby for these goals a Global Coalition for Social Protection Floors was created in summer 2012. Today it consists of more than 80 NGOs and Trade Unions from all parts of the world.

Mongolia is hosting the Asia-Europe meeting (ASEM) of Heads of State on July 15 – 16. Before that two important meetings in the Mongolian capital Ulaanbaatar aim to make social development, solidarity and justice central to the ASEM dialogue agenda: The Asia-Europe Labour Forum (AELF10) consisting of trade union centers and the Asia-Europe People's Forum of social movements, campaigning networks, progressive NGOs and others across Asia and Europe. The Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) will co-operate with AELF10 on its meeting on July 4-5 and also with the AEPF11 through this conference on National Social Protection Floors in all countries and for all people across Asia and Europe.

This international conference on social protection aims for the achievement of better social security for all people in Asia and Europe. Experiences from the global coalition for social protection floors and from the Mongolian national dialogue will be shared. Two panels in regional and sectoral case studies will be organized. Ways forward through forming national coalitions, regional networks and progressive alliances for the social protection of all people across Asia and Europe will be discussed.

How to register your participation?

Will you participate from abroad in the ASEM Labour Forum (AELF10)?

Please forward your application to us through FES Singapore: lukas.bauer@fes-asia.org

All others: please send your application with contact details to Ms. Oyungerel Chogdon (FES Office for Mongolia) and wait for our confirmation: Email: oyun@fesmongol.net

Please note: Accommodation can only be provided for some invited international guest speakers.

Monday 04 July 2016

- Daytime: (optional: Participation in opening and activities of AEPF 11)
- 19.00 hrs Welcome dinner and exchange of international guests with with organisers and co-operation partners

Tuesday 05 July 2016

- 13.00 hrs Lunch of international Guest Speakers together with AELF participants
- 14.00 hrs Conference Inauguration:
Welcome and short introduction by Stefan Chrobot, FES Mongolia
Welcome by President Kh. Amgalanbaatar, CMTU (Mongolia)
Message by Representative of Parliament and Mongolian Red Cross
Message by Noriyuki Suzuki, AELF10 and ITUC Asia Pacific
Message by Tim De Meyer, Director for ILO Office China and Mongolia
Message by Lk. Tur-Od National Coordinator Peoples Forum AEPF 11
- 14.40 hrs Background introduction 1: „Building global coalitions for national social protection floors: Experiences since the creation of the “Global Coalition” in 2012 and perspectives”
By Ms. **Odile Frank** (Representative of the Core Team of the Global Coalition for Social Protection Floors / NGO Forum for Health)
Followed by discussion. Moderation: NN
- 15.30 hrs Background introduction 2: “Social protection floor in Mongolia: Assessment of the outcome of a national dialogue.”
By Ms. **Lkhagvademberel Amgalan**, National Project Manager of ILO/Japan Project on Promoting and Building Social Protection and Employment Services for Vulnerable Groups (*MAPS*)
Followed by discussion. Moderation: NN
- 16.15 hrs
- 16.45 hrs Coffee break
- Sectoral case studies from Asia and Europe
- NN (from Ukraine)
NN (from Netherlands or Germany)
NN (from ILO Cambodia)
NN Association of the Blind, Mongolia
- Moderation: NN

- 18.30 hrs End of the 1st conference day
- 19.00 hrs Informal exchange activity with AELF and AEPF participants

Wednesday 06.July 2016

- 09.00 hrs Assessment and recapitulation of the first day and introduction to the second day
by NN
- 09.15 hrs “Monitoring National Social Protection Policy Implementation: Introduction of the new Social Protection Floor Index”
Presentation by: NN, Member of Study Team
Followed by discussion. Moderation: NN
- 10.15 hrs Short coffee break
- 10.30 National case studies from Asia and Europe

NN (from Korea)
NN (from Vietnam)
NN (from Myanmar)
NN (from Georgia)

Moderation: NN
- 11.30 hrs Mixed group sessions along sectoral and regional experiences on the the way forward: Forming national coalitions, regional networks and progressive alliances for the social protection of all people across Asia and Europe.
- 12.15 hrs Short Presentation of working group results on the way forward
Summary and perspectives
- 12.50 hrs Closing statements by host and cooperation partners
- Afternoon Participation in AEPF activities and closing session.

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