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Seminar Social rights in the digital age: challenges and opportunities

Strasbourg, 9 December 2021, 09:15-13:30 Council of Europe, Palais room 9

09:00 - Arrival

09:15 - Welcome and introduction

 Ambassador Jean-Cédric Janssens de Bisthoven, Permanent Representative of Belgium to the Council of Europe

09:20 - Keynote Speech - framing of the subject

 Ms. Mélanie Schmitt, Professor in Social Law, Research Unit UMR 7354 DRES, Strasbourg University and Mr. Marco Rocca, Researcher CNRS, Research Unit UMR 7354 DRES, Strasbourg University

09:45-11:00 - Roundtable 1 on the challenges of digital technology in relation to social rights

<u>Moderator</u>: *Mr. Joseph Faber,* Chairman of the Governmental Committee of the European Social Charter and the European Code of Social Security

Panel members:

- Mr. Stefan Gran, Senior Policy Advisor, European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC) (visio)
- Mr. Luis Rodrigo Morales, Senior Adviser, International Organisation of Employers (IOE) (visio)
- Ms. Teresa Maria de Moura Anjinho, Deputy Ombudswoman of Portugal (visio)

11:00-11:15 - Break

11:15-13:00 - Roundtable 2 on the response of international organisations

Moderator: Mr. Patrick Penninckx, Head of Information Society Department, Council of Europe

Panel members:

- *Mr. Guiseppe Palmisano*, General Rapporteur of the European Committee of Social Rights (ESCR)
- Mr. Max Uebe, Head of Unit Future of Work and Youth Employment, European Commission (visio)
- Ms. Rita Skrebiskiene, President of the European Platform for Social Cohesion (PECS)
- Mr. Tim De Meyer, Senior Advisor on Standards Policy, International Labour Office (ILO) (visio)

13:00 - Concluding remarks

- *Mr. Joost Korte,* Director General Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion, European Commission (visio)
- Mr. Christophe Poirel, Director Human Rights, Council of Europe