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Stakeholders Conference

“Framing cooperation for social rights development in the Republic of Moldova”

Agenda

24 November 2020

Room 6 Palais de l'Europe - videoconference via KUDO
(Working languages: English / Romanian)

Background

Social rights are core European values enshrined in a number of formal commitments undertaken by the Council of Europe Member States, including the Republic of Moldova. Respect for and the promotion of social rights are essential in attaining sustainable democracy. One of the priority areas for co-operation between the Council of Europe and the Republic of Moldova under the Council of Europe-Republic of Moldova Action Plan for 2017-2020 (CoE- Republic of Moldova Action Plan) adopted by the Committee of Ministers (CM) at its 1276st meeting on 1 February 2017, is ensuring the social rights.

In recent years number of legislative and policy measures have been taken by the Moldovan authorities to enhance social rights protection in the country and address number of issues (employment, discrimination, healthcare, etc.).

The Council of Europe, within the framework of the Project “**Framing cooperation for social rights development in the Republic of Moldova**” had launched a needs assessment to assess the current situation in the area of social rights and define the most pressing issues and needs where Moldova would need further cooperation with the Council of Europe.

With the current situation and travel restrictions in place due to the Covid-19, this mission was conducted by electronic means between August-September 2020. 13 meetings were held with public and local authorities, civil society organisations and international partners. The draft report was sent out for written consultations to the beneficiaries which will be finalised following the written comments, as well as the results of the stakeholder conference.

Objectives

The objective of the stakeholder conference is to identify and discuss with the Moldovan stakeholders current key issues for the development of social rights in the Republic of Moldova, with a view of attaining sustainable democracy and protecting human rights. The conference will provide an opportunity to outline priority areas and agree on possible further co-operation between the Council of Europe and the Republic of Moldova for the enhancement of the social rights in line with European standards. The discussions will be focused particularly on (but not limited to) **employment, training and equal opportunities** (group 1), **health, social security and social protection** (group 2), **labour rights** (group 3), and **children, families and migrants** (group 4) vis-à-vis relevant articles of the European Social Charter.

Format

Online event at the KUDO platform.

Link to the event: <https://vmeeting.coe.int/ad/221114105827>

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For smartphone and tablet users: Kudo Live application and ID (221114105827)

Simultaneous ENG-ROM-ENG interpretation is provided.

09:30 – 10:00 (Chisinau Time)	Registration of the participants /checking the connection
08:30 – 09:00 (Paris Time)	
10:00 – 10:30 (Chisinau Time)	Welcome addresses and opening remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Jan Malinowski, Head of European Social Charter Department, DGI, Council of Europe (tbc) • Mr William Massolin, Head of the Council of Europe Office in Chisinau • Representative of the Ministry of Health, Labour and Social Protection of the Republic of Moldova <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Mrs. Nelea Rusu, State Secretary -Mrs. Djulieta Popescu, State Secretary • Representative of the Ministry of Education <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Natalia GRIU, State Secretary
09:00 – 09:30 (Paris Time)	
10:30-10:45 (Chisinau Time)	Presentation of the needs assessment report Moderator: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Margarita Galstyan, Project Manager, Department of the European Social Charter, Council of Europe
09:30 – 09:45 (Paris Time)	
10:45- 11:30 (Chisinau Time)	<u>Workshop 1: Employment, training and equal opportunities</u> Presentation of the Findings and Recommendations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Olivier de Schutter</i> <u>Interventions by key speakers:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representative of the Ministry of Health, Labour and Social Protection <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Mrs. Anna Gherganova, Head of Department employment and migration regulation policy
09:45 – 10:30 (Paris Time)	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representative of the Council for Preventing and Eliminating Discrimination and Ensuring Equality - <i>Yan Feldman, President of the Council/Olga Bulmaga, Chief of the staff</i> • Discussions
11:30-12:15 (Chisinau Time) 10:30 – 11:15 (Paris Time)	<p><u>Workshop 2: Health, social security and social protection</u></p> <p>Presentation of the Findings and Recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Olivier de Schutter</i> <p><u>Interventions by key speakers:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representative of the Ministry of Health, Labour and Social Protection -<i>Mrs. Tatiana Zatić, Head of Department Primary Health Care, Emergency and Community health care policy</i> -<i>Mrs. Diana Cebotaru, Head of Department social and medical insurance policies policy</i> • Representative of the Ombudsperson Office -<i>Mihail Cotoroba, People`s Advocate (Ombudsman)</i> • Discussions
12:15-14:00 (Chisinau Time) 11:15-13:00 (Paris Time)	BREAK
14:00-14:45 (Chisinau Time)	<p><u>Workshop 3: Labour rights</u></p> <p>Presentation of the Findings and Recommendations:</p>

<p>13:00 – 13:45 (Paris Time)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Olivier de Schutter</i> <p><u>Interventions by key speakers:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representative of the Ministry of Health, Labour and Social Protection <i>-Mr. Alexandru Ghețu, Head of Department policy in the field of labour relations and social partnership</i> • Representative of the Parliamentary Committee for social protection, health and family <i>-Mr. Liviu VOVC, Secretary of the Parliamentary Committee for Social Protection, Health and Family (PACE Member)</i> • Discussions
<p>14:45-15:30 (Chisinau Time)</p> <p>13:45 – 14:30 (Paris Time)</p>	<p><u>Workshop 4: Children, families and migrants</u></p> <p>Presentation of the Findings and Recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Olivier de Schutter</i> <p><u>Interventions by key speakers:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representative of the Ministry of Health, Labour and Social Protection <i>-Mr. Alexandru Ghețu, Head of Department policy in the field of labour relations and social partnership</i> <i>-Mrs. Anastasia Gruzin, Head of Department Protection of the Rights of the Child and Families with Children Policy</i> • Representative of Ministry of Education (tbc) • Representative of the Parliamentary Committee for Human Rights and Interethnic Relations <i>-Ms. Doina GHERMAN-President of the Parliamentary Commission (PACE Member)</i>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussions
15:30 – 16:00 (Chisinau Time)	Conclusions and final remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Mr Jan Malinowski</i>, <i>Head of European Social Charter Department, DGI, Council of Europe</i>
14:30 – 15:00 (Paris Time)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representative of the Ministry of Health, Labour and Social Protection of the Republic of Moldova <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -<i>Mrs. Nelea Rusu, State Secretary</i> -<i>Mrs. Djulieta Popescu, State Secretary</i>