EIGHTH SESSION OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL (IGC)
of the « MANAGEMENT OF SOCIAL TRANSFORMATIONS » (MOST)
PROGRAMME

UNESCO, Paris – Fontenoy, Room IV
16 – 18 July 2007

AGENDA AND TIMETABLE

CHAIR: H.E. Mr Zola Skweyiya, President of the MOST Programme
      Minister of Social Development, South Africa

Monday 16 July 2007

9:00-9:45 Welcome and registration

10:00 Welcoming Words to the Eighth Session:
      Mr Koïchiro Matsuura, Director-General of UNESCO

10:15 Mr Johan Schölvinck, Director, Division for Social Policy and Development, UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs

10:30 Mr Gudmund Hernes, President, International Social Science Council (ISSC)

10:45 Opening of the Eighth IGC Session by the President of the IGC, H. E. Mr Zola S. Skweyiya, Minister of Social Development, South Africa (Introduced by Mr Pierre Sané, Assistant Director-General, Social and Human Sciences, UNESCO)

11:00 Adoption of the Agenda
      Election of the Drafting Group

11:10 Coffee Break

      Christina von Furstenberg, Secretary, MOST Programme
11:40 Comments by IGC Bureau and SAC Members: IGC President and Vice-Presidents, Scientific Advisory Committee Members

12:00 Discussion

H.E. Hon. Maina Kamanda, M.P. Minister of Gender, Sports, Culture and Social Services, the Government of Kenya

12:25 MOST Tool for intersectoral, inter-agency and multilateral cooperation:
Outline on methodology and applications of the MOST Online Policy Research Service
Prof. Nazli Choucri, President of the MOST SAC Committee

12:35 Cooperation with the UNESCO Forum on Higher Education, Research and Knowledge:
Mr. Georges Haddad, Director ED/HE

12:45 Discussion

13:00 Lunch

15:00 MOST Regional Fora of Ministers of Social Development
- What works; why?
- What does not work; why?
Introduction by ADG/SHS, Mr Pierre Sané

15:15 Interregional Ministerial Roundtable on Social Development
Research for Social Development Policies / Research-Policy linkages:
- National and regional priority setting and evaluation;
- Institutional linkages: what needs to be done.

Morocco: H.E. Mr Abderrahim Harouchi, Minister of Social Development, Family and Solidarity;
Pakistan: H.E. Mr Daniyal Aziz, Federal Minister, Chairman, National Reconstruction Bureau
Uganda: H.E. Mrs Syda Bbumba, Minister of Gender, Labour and Social Development
Greece: H.E. Mr Vassilios N. Magginas, Minister of Employment and Social Protection

16:15 Coffee break
16.30 Interregional Ministerial Roundtable on Social Development (continued)

*Argentina:* H.E. Mrs Alicia Kirchner, Minister of Social Development

*South Africa:* H.E. Mr Zola S. Skweyiya, Minister of Social Development

*Ecuador:* H.E. Ms Jeanette Sanchez, Minister of Social Development;

*Malaysia:* H.E. Mrs Dato’Sri Shahrizat Abdul Jalil, Minister of Women, Family and Community Development

*UNDESA:* Mr Johan Schölvinck, UNDESA: Comments

Moderator: ADG/SHS, Mr Pierre Sané

17:45 Discussion (Especially comments from researchers)

18:30 Reception at the UNESCO Restaurant, Fontenoy, 7th floor
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9:00   Meeting of the Bureau

10:00  Report on the International Forum on the Social Science – Policy Nexus (Buenos Aires, Córdoba, Rosario and Montevideo)
H.E. Mr Daniel Filmus, Minister of Education, Science and Technology
Government of Argentina

10:15  Partners’ viewpoint:
Mr Peter Utting, Deputy Director, UNRISD

10:25  Report on Spin-off Event:
Population and Development in Africa – Research and Policy Dialogue for Action
Mafikeng, South Africa, 5-8 March 2007
Representative of South-African Government

10:35  Discussion

10:50  Coffee Break

11:05  Outlook on UNU-MOST cooperation
Prof. Luk van Langenhove, Director,
United Nations University Centre for Regional Integration Studies (UNU-CRIS), Brugge, Belgium

Discussion

11:25  MOST Research-Policy Nexus at National Level
Presentation of Israel Experience:
Bridging between the world of Social Research, Public Decision-Making and Policy Setting: the role of Chief Scientists in Government Ministries
Prof. Abraham Freidman, Israel SHS Chairperson

11:40  Presentation of Moroccan Model of Research-Policy Cooperation
Mr Najib Bensbia, Chief of Cabinet
Ministry of Social Development, Family and Solidarity, the Government of the Kingdom of Morocco

11:55  Recommendations of the MOST National Liaison Committee Evaluation, Prof. Dumitru Chitoran, MOST NLC Evaluator
Former Vice-Rector, University of Bucharest, Romania

12:10  Discussion
12:30  Presentation of the Review Committee’s Report on the Review of UNESCO’s Science Sectors; and Executive Board Decision
Mr Marcio Barbosa, Deputy Director-General of UNESCO and Chair of the Review Committee

Discussion

13:00  Lunch Break

15.00  UNESCO’s Medium Term Strategy (34 C/4);
UNESCO’s Programme and Budget 2008-09 (34 C/5)
and Intersectoral Platforms
Mr Cheikh N'Diaye, Bureau of Strategic Planning
ADG/SHS Mr P. Sané
Representative of ADG/SC

Discussion

15:45  Coffee Break

16:00  Roundtable of Ministers of Social Development
Sri Lanka: H.E. Mr Douglas Devananda, Minister for Social Services and Social Welfare
Venezuela: H.E. Mrs Lic. Yadira Hidalgo, Vice-Minister of Social Protection, M.P.
Egypt: H.E. Mr Aly Mosselhy, Minister of Social Cohesion
Dominican Republic: H.E. Mr Dore Cabral, Secretary of State, Director of Information, Analysis and Strategic Programming of the President’s Office
Islamic Republic of Iran: H.E. Dr. Hojattollah Ayoubi, Deputy Minister of Interior for Social and Council Affairs, Chairperson, Iranian MOST NLC
St Lucia: H.E. Mr Lenard Montoute, Minister of Social Transformation, Human Services, Family Affairs, Youth and Sports
Montenegro: H.E. Mr Predrag Sekulic, Minister of Culture, Sports and Media
Senegal: H.E. Mrs Fatou Taya Ndiaye, Minister of National Solidarity
Brazil: H.E. Ms Laura da Veiga, Secretary of State for Evaluation and Information Management
Syrian Arab Republic: H.E. Dr. Adnan Homidan, Vice-Minister of Social Affairs and Labour

Moderator: Mr Pierre Sané, ADG/SHS

18:30  IGC Bureau and Drafting Group Meeting:
Emerging Draft Recommendations
**Wednesday 18 July 2007**

9:30  Meeting of the Bureau and the Drafting Group  
     Free morning for other participants

14:30  Meeting of the Bureau

15:00  **Pleaneary discussion on the Draft Report and Recommendations for the 34th Session of the General Conference**

16:30  Adoption of Recommendations

18:00  Closure of the 8th IGC Session by IGC President and ADG/SHS