DAY 1: Tuesday, April 2

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM  Opening Panel, Room 3+4

The main objective of this panel will be to set the context for the two-day discussion. The speakers will (i) take stock of where we are in terms of progress towards SDG 10 – Reducing inequality; (ii) share knowledge about success stories, good practices and challenges; and (iii) identify areas of concern.

**Keynote:** MICHELLE BACHELET, Former President of Chile and United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

**Chair:** MAHMOUD MOHIELDIN, Senior Vice President, World Bank Group

**Panelists:**
- PEDRO CONCEIÇÃO, Director, Human Development Report Office, United Nations Development Programme
- ELLIOTT HARRIS, Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development and Chief Economist, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, United Nations
- CAROLINA SÁNCHEZ-PÁRAMO, Senior Director, Poverty & Equity Global Practice, World Bank

10:30 AM – 10:45 AM  Coffee Break

10:45 AM – 12:15 PM  Session 2: Progress and Challenges: Country Experiences (parallel sessions)

**Parallel Session 2a: Income and Wealth Inequality, Room 15**

This session will shed light on the trends and drivers of income and wealth inequality within individual countries and discuss the progress toward SDG 10.1.

**Panelists:**
- GONZALO HERNANDEZ LICONA, Executive Secretary, National Council for the Evaluation of Social Development Policy (CONEVAL), Mexico
- CHIARA MARIOTTI, Inequality Policy Manager, Oxfam GB
- MARC MORGAN, Research Fellow, World Inequality Lab, Paris School of Economics
- AMBAR NARAYAN, Lead Economist, Poverty & Equity Global Practice, World Bank (Moderator)

**Parallel Session 2b: Inclusion, Room 16**

This session will assess the progress and challenges to reducing inequalities across groups and persistent patterns of discrimination – e.g. women, vulnerable migrants, refugees/IDPs, LGBT, indigenous peoples, rural people, people with disabilities. Speakers will (i) assess the extent and trends in these inequalities; including challenges to their measurement and analysis; (ii) take stock of barriers to reducing these inequalities for particular groups; and (iii) identify needs for intervention toward building inclusion and social cohesion; and eliminating discrimination in laws, policies and social practices.

**Panelists:**
- MONTSHIWA MONTY MONTSHIWA, National Coordinator – Poverty Eradication Coordination Office, Botswana
- SANIA NISHTAR, Chairperson, Benazir Income Support Program & Poverty Alleviation Coordination Council, Pakistan
- FRANCES STEWART, Professor Emeritus of Development Economics, Oxford
- DANIELA BAS, Director, UN-DESA’s Division for Inclusive Social Development (Moderator)
Parallel Session 2c: Inequalities in Opportunities and Outcomes, Room 17

This session will reflect on the key dimensions of inequality of opportunities and outcomes that are most important to address in a country, and the things that are needed to be done to achieve SDG 10.3.

Panelists:

NICOLAS DEPETRIS-CHAUVIN, Assistant Professor of Public Policy, Dubai School of Government and Research Fellow at the Oxford Centre for the Analysis of Resource Rich Economies, Department of Economics, University of Oxford
KEVIN WATKINS, Chief Executive, Save the Children UK
BAMBANG WIDIANTO, Deputy for Human Development and Equality, Office of the Vice President of the Republic of Indonesia
CAROLINA SÁNCHEZ-PÁRAMO, Senior Director, Poverty & Equity Global Practice, World Bank (Moderator)

Parallel Session 2d: Cross-cutting Issue: Institutions and Governance, Room 7+8

This session will assess how institutions and governance can become more effective at reducing inequalities. Speakers will (i) take stock of the main institutional challenges to reducing inequalities in different contexts; and ways to circumvent them (ii) think about how nongovernment actors can contribute to reducing inequalities; and (iii) identify how social contracts may need to evolve to incorporate new actors and fit new realities to reduce inequality.

Panelists:

NELIA BARNARD, Deputy Permanent Representative of the South African Permanent Mission in Geneva
SARAH CLIFFE, Director, Center on International Cooperation, New York University
MARIANO TOMMASI, Professor, Department of Economics, University of San Andrés and Director of the Center of Studies for Human Development, Argentina
JOS VERBEEK, World Bank Special Representative to the WTO and UN (Moderator)

Lunch // Consultation on the Human Development Report 2019: Inequality in Human Development, Room 3+4

The 2019 Human Development Report will focus on the many dimensions of inequality—old and new—that are most important to people’s well-being, and what is behind them. In this context, the Human Development Report Office is convening a lunchtime meeting with global experts to discuss inequality in human development. What does inequality look like today? Do we have the right measures of inequality? How is it changing? And what might this mean for societies worldwide for the rest of the 21st century?

Panelists:

ELLIOTT HARRIS, Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development and Chief Economist, UN DESA
FRANCES STEWART, Professor Emeritus of Development Economics and Director of the Centre for Research on Inequality, Human Security and Ethnicity, University of Oxford
MARTHA CHEN, Lecturer in Public Policy, Harvard Kennedy School; Affiliated Professor, Harvard Graduate School of Design; and Senior Advisor, Women in Informal Employment: Globalizing and Organizing (WIEGO) Network

Opening remarks by PEDRO CONCEIÇÃO, Director of the Human Development Report Office at UNDP
DAY 1: Tuesday, April 2 (continued)

2:00 PM – 3:15 PM  Session 3: Reporting Back and Perspectives of Civil Society, Room 3+4

Reporting back: Facilitator will ask the moderators of each of the four parallel sessions (2a-2d) to give a brief readout from their respective sessions, then invite comments and questions for discussion.

Perspectives of Civil Society: Representatives from select civil society organizations will be invited to give a five-minute talk about how they have worked to reduce inequality in their countries or internationally.

CSOs:
KATE DONALD, Director, Human Rights in Economic and Social Policy Program, Center for Economic and Social Rights
ROSINA POBEE, Sightsavers
JUDITH RANDEL, Co-Founder and Special Advisor, Development Initiatives
INGO RITZ, Director, Global Call to Action Against Poverty
DANIEL PERELL, UN Representative for the Baha’i International Community (Moderator)

3:15 PM – 3:30 PM  Coffee Break

3:30 PM – 5:00 PM  Session 4: Cross-country Inequalities: Progress to Date and Challenges, Room 3+4

This panel session will assess progress and challenges on meeting the SDG 10 targets that focus on reducing inequality among countries. These include regulating financial markets; enhancing representation at global institutions; facilitating safe migration; making trade and technology work for least developed countries (LDCs) and developing countries; increasing official development assistance and foreign direct investment to countries with the greatest needs; and reducing the cost of remittances.

Panelists:
PETER CHOWLA, Economic Affairs Officer, UN-DESA Finance for Sustainable Development
PAMELA COKE-HAMILTON, Director of International Trade & Commodities, UN Conference on Trade and Development
MAYUMI ENDOH, Deputy-Director, OECD Development Co-operation Directorate
JILL HELKE, Director of International Cooperation and Partnerships, International Organization for Migration
Session 5: Policies and Partnerships, Room 3+4

This panel will focus on the implementation of SDG 10 – reducing inequalities; highlighting concrete steps for attaining greater equality and reducing exclusion and discrimination. The speakers will assess the types of policies, partnerships and coordinated actions needed to reduce inequalities moving forward; and share knowledge about success stories and good practices.

Panelists:

SARAH CLIFFE, Director, Center on International Cooperation, New York University
CÉCILE DUFLOT, Executive Director, Oxfam France
BAMBANG WIDIANTO, Deputy for Human Development and Equality, Office of the Vice President of the Republic of Indonesia
NADINE UMUTONI, Permanent Secretary, Rwanda Ministry of Gender and Family Promotion
SHANTANU MUKHERJEE, Chief, Policy and Analysis Branch, Division for Sustainable Development Goals, UN-DESA (Moderator)

Coffee Break

Session 6: Designing and Implementing Successful Policies: Country Experiences (parallel sessions)

Parallel Session 6a: Fiscal Redistribution, Room 15

This session will discuss fiscal, wage and social protection policies that are successful in promoting greater equality and economic and political stability while minimizing tradeoffs, and the impediments to designing and implementing such policies.

Panelists:

PATRICK BELSER, Senior Economist, International Labor Organization
ELLIOTT HARRIS, Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development and Chief Economist, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, United Nations
IMRAAN VALODIA, Dean, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa
CAROLINA SÁNCHEZ-PÁRAMO, Senior Director, Poverty & Equity Global Practice, World Bank (Moderator)

Parallel Session 6b: Human Capital and Elimination of Discrimination, Room 16

This session will put forward policies and actions that will eliminate discrimination and help enable all individuals to achieve their life potential. Speakers will (i) share knowledge of policy designs and engagement strategies that make resources and services more accessible, especially for groups that have been historically marginalized; (ii) share success stories in building new partnerships toward policy implementation; and (iii) identify ways to monitor policy impacts toward building human capital and inclusive behavior.

Panelists:

PARFAIT ELOOUNDOU-ENYEGUE, Professor; Department Chair; Associate Director, Cornell Population Center
JAMELE RIGOLINI, Program Leader for Human Development and Poverty, World Bank
CORNELIA SEPTEMBER, Former South Africa Minister of Human Settlements and Chairperson, Portfolio Committee on Higher Education and Training
PEDRO CONCEIÇÃO, Director, Human Development Report Office, United Nations Development Programme (Moderator)
DAY 2: Wednesday, April 3 (continued)

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM  **Parallel Session 6c: Economic Opportunities, Room 17**
This session will discuss progress in and impediments to designing and implementing effective laws, regulations, and policies to promote economic opportunities that are equitable.

**Panelists:**
- MARTHA CHEN, Lecturer in Public Policy, Harvard University
- VINCENT CHETAIL, Director of the Global Migration Centre and Professor of International Law, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva
- ANDREW SHEPHERD, Director, Chronic Poverty Advisory Network
- MARCO SANCHEZ CANTILLO, Deputy-Director, Agricultural Development Economics, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (Moderator)

12:30 PM – 2:00 PM  Lunch

2:00 PM – 3:30 PM  **Session 6d: Equality Through Empowerment, Room 7+8**
This session will provide examples of how different actors and groups are being empowered to shape policy to promote greater equity considering that tackling inequality is not the same as poverty reduction. Curbing inequality requires addressing disproportionate access to power and resources by elites; bringing transparency to disparities in relative capabilities and opportunities; and countering discrimination and stigma through advocacy and coalition building. Speakers will:
(i) think about ways that non-government actors and different areas of government are being empowered to contribute to reducing inequalities; (ii) discuss innovative partnerships and approaches among civil society, private sector, and governments in reducing inequalities; (iii) identify examples where institutions and social contracts are being adjusted to incorporate new actors and fit new realities; (iv) discuss the role of interactive governance in reducing inequalities.

**Panelists:**
- RACHEL GISSELQUIST, Senior Research Fellow, UNU Wider
- KATJA HUJO, Senior Research Coordinator, United Nations Research Institute for Social Development
- SOCORRO FLORES LIERA, Ambassador, Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations Office in Geneva
- EMELIE WESKI, Vice President, National Council of Swedish Youth Organizations
- TORBEN NILSSON, Senior Global Engagement Specialist, International Fund for Agricultural Development (Moderator)

3:30 PM – 4:00 PM  Coffee Break

4:00 PM – 4:30 PM  **Closing and Main Takeaways**