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## Workshop on Leaving No One Behind: Inequality and Social Protection in North and Central Asia

20 August 2019, Issyk-Kul, Kyrgyzstan

Tentative Programme	
08:30–09:00	Registration of participants
09:00–09:30	<b>Opening Session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcoming remarks by Mr. Nikolay Pomoshchnikov, Officer-in-Charge, Subregional Office for North and Central Asia, ESCAP</li> <li>• Opening remarks by H.E. Ms. Aliza Soltonbekova, Deputy Minister of Labour and Social Protection, Kyrgyzstan</li> <li>• Overview of the workshop by Mr. Patrik Andersson, Chief, Sustainable Socioeconomic Transformation Section, Social Development Division, ESCAP</li> </ul>
09:30–10:30	<b>Session 1: How can we measure inequality of opportunity?</b> <i>This session will discuss new ways for measuring inequality of opportunity, using examples from North and Central Asian (NCA) countries.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation by Ms. Ermina Sokou, Social Affairs Officer, Social Development Division, ESCAP</li> <li>• Open discussion</li> </ul>
10:30–10:45	<b>Coffee break</b>
10:45–12:00	<b>Session 2: Who are the furthest behind?</b> <i>This session will discuss new ways for identifying population groups being left behind and how their situation has changed over time, using examples from NCA countries.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation by Mr. Patrik Andersson, ESCAP</li> <li>• Open discussion</li> </ul>
12:00–13:00	<b>Lunch</b>
13:00–14:00	<b>Session 3: Why are people being left behind and what could be done?</b> <i>This session will consist of group discussions where participants are asked to prioritize five key policy measures, including social protection, that would be critical to ensuring that all population groups benefit from mainstream development gains.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation by each group</li> </ul>
14:00–15:30	<b>Session 4: Social protection – good practices at the country level</b> <i>This session will discuss the role social protection can play in reducing poverty and inequality by making sure that no one is left behind. After a short overview</i>

	<p><i>presentation, policymakers will share their national social protection programmes through a Gallery Walk.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation by Ms. Ermina Sokou, ESCAP</li> <li>• Gallery Walk (simultaneous country presentations)</li> </ul>
15:30–15:45	<b>Coffee break</b>
15:30–16:45	<p><b>Session 4: Supporting country efforts in Leaving No One Behind</b></p> <p><i>This session will encourage discussion among participants on what support they expect from UNCTs and ESCAP on LNOB. UNCT representatives from participating countries will have the opportunity to also present how they support governments on LNOB and/ or on social protection.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation by Ms. Gulsana Turusbekova, Social Policy Specialist, UNICEF, Kyrgyzstan</li> <li>• Presentation by [TBC]</li> <li>• Presentation by [TBC]</li> </ul> <p>Moderation by Mr. Nikolay Pomoshchnikov, ESCAP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Open discussion</li> </ul>
16:45–17:00	<p><b>Closing Session</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Summary of the day and transitioning to the FORUM, ESCAP</li> <li>• Closing remarks by Mr. Patrik Andersson, ESCAP</li> </ul>