

**Date: October 7, 2008, Tuesday**  
**Venue: National Bureau of Statistics of RM, 8<sup>th</sup> floor**

**Objectives** of the Seminar:

- to discuss the concepts of social inclusion and linkages between social inclusion, human development, the rights-based approach to social issues, and the "poverty reduction" approach;
- to increase the understanding and awareness of the links between the UN and EU frameworks for addressing inequality, poverty and social exclusion in a multi-national context (i.e. the MDGs and the EU Social Inclusion Process)
- to provide opportunity to exchange good practices and lessons learnt by other countries

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| <b>08:30-09:00</b> | Registration of participants   |  |
| <b>09:00-09:10</b> | Opening: Top management of NBS   | Facilitator: <b>Vladimir Golovatiuc</b> , general director, NBS  |
| <b>09:10-10:00</b> | <p><b>Session 1. Social inclusion concepts</b></p> <p>Key-subjects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Policy agenda of Moldova –the current status of Moldova with regard to EC alignments in the area of social inclusion; extent to what SI is currently being a part of the national policies; SI as a part of the EC neighborhood agreement.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Social Inclusion aspects of the National Development Strategy (Natalia Catrinescu)</li> <li>○ Action plan for Implementation of the National Development Strategy (Ministry of Social Protection and Family)</li> <li>○ Brainstorming of missing elements of Social Inclusion</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Social inclusion concepts and linkages with UN concepts (HD, poverty reduction, HRBA)</li> <li>• EU social inclusion agenda and related instruments and requirements.</li> </ul> <p><i>Result:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Common understanding of social inclusion concepts and similarities/differences to the EU Social Inclusion Process.</li> <li>- Understanding of position of the Social Inclusion issues in current Policy agenda of Moldova and identification of missing elements</li> </ul> | <p><i>Facilitator:</i> <b>Oleg Cara</b>, vice general director, NBS</p> <p><i>Rapporteurs:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Natalia. Catrinescu</b>, head of Division for Coordination of Policies and External Assistance, Government Office of RM</li> <li>• <b>Susanne Milcher</b>, Social Inclusion and Poverty Reduction Specialist, UNDP, Europe and the CIS, Bratislava Regional Centre</li> </ul> |

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| <p><b>10:00-10:30</b></p>   | <p><b>Session 2. Social inclusion and policy development</b><br/> Key-subjects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Social inclusion in New Member States and Candidate Countries (JIM process and EU requirements, content and extent of involvement and contribution of UNDP)</li> <li>• Social inclusion in national development plans</li> <li>• Monitoring of social inclusion in NDP implementation</li> </ul> <p><i>Results:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Improved understanding of the EU Social Inclusion Process and requirements</li> <li>- Knowledge of lessons learnt and experience from social inclusion projects developed in the region.</li> </ul> <p>Debates on the topic.</p>                              | <p><i>Facilitator:</i> <b>Mihail Peleah</b>, Research Assistant, UNDP, Europe and the CIS, Bratislava Regional Centre</p> <p><i>Rapporteur:</i><br/> <b>Susanne Milcher</b>, Social Inclusion and Poverty Reduction Specialist, UNDP, Europe and the CIS, Bratislava Regional Centre</p>   |
| <p><b>10:30-10:50</b></p>   | <p>Coffee-break</p>   |  |
| <p><b>10:50-11:40</b></p>   | <p><b>Session 3, part 1. Social inclusion measurements</b><br/> Key-subjects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EU-SILC and Laeken indicators <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ HBS vs EU-SILC survey</li> <li>◦ Absolute vs relative poverty line</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Quality of Life Surveys</li> <li>• Multiple deprivation</li> <li>• Tools of SI measurement</li> </ul>   | <p><i>Facilitator:</i> <b>Susanne Milcher</b>, Social Inclusion and Poverty Reduction Specialist, UNDP, Europe and the CIS, Bratislava Regional Centre</p> <p>Rapporteur:<br/> <b>Mihail Peleah</b>, Research Assistant, UNDP, Europe and the CIS, Bratislava Regional Centre</p>  |
| <p><b>11:40-13:00</b></p>   | <p>Lunch</p>  |  |
| <p><b>13:00-15:00</b></p> <p><i>13:00-13:20</i></p> <p><i>13:20-13:40</i></p> <p><i>13:40-14:10</i></p> <p><i>14:10-14:40</i></p> <p><i>14:40-15:00</i></p> | <p><b>Session 3, part 2. Social inclusion measurements</b><br/> Key-subjects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Study-cases of Social inclusion measurements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Monitoring of Social inclusion in <b>Romania</b></li> <li>◦ Quality of life – experiences from <b>Croatia</b></li> <li>◦ Multiple deprivation – <b>Macedonia</b></li> <li>◦ Social inclusion measurements and policy development - the case of <b>Poland</b></li> <li>◦ Multiple deprivation – case of <b>Moldova</b></li> <li>◦ Statistical indicators produced by NBS - case of <b>Moldova</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><i>Result:</i> information on measurement approaches in the region exchanged.</p> <p>Debates on the topic.</p> | <p>Facilitator: <b>Vladimir Golovatiuc</b>, general director, NBS</p> <p>Rapporteurs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Andree Cambir</b>, Director, Division of Living Standards Statistics, National Institute of Statistics, Romania</li> <li>• <b>Lidia Japoc, Program Manager</b>, UNDP Croatia</li> <li>• <b>Mihail Peleah</b>, Research Assistant, UNDP, Europe and the CIS, Bratislava Regional Centre</li> <li>• <b>Rodica Nicoară</b>, Vice Head, Division of Analysis, Monitoring and Evaluation of Policies, Ministry of Economy and Trade RM</li> <li>• <b>Maria Vremiş</b>, Director, Department for Information, Monitoring and Management Systems, Moldova Social Investment Fund</li> <li>• <b>Ala Negruța</b>, Head of Social Statistics and Living Standards Division, NBS</li> <li>• <b>Elena Vâtcărău</b>, Head of Labour Force and Demography Statistics Division</li> </ul> |

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| <b>15:00-15:20</b> | Coffee Break   |  |
| <b>15:20-16:00</b> | <p><b>Session 4. Brainstorming on measurement approaches for vulnerable groups.</b></p> <p>Key-subjects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Data collection tools in Moldova—how we could use them for social inclusion information?</li> <li>• Vulnerable groups in Moldova</li> </ul> <p><i>Result:</i> Knowledge of lessons learnt and experience from social inclusion projects and measurement of VGs developed in Moldova and participating countries.</p> | <p><i>Facilitator:</i> <b>Mihail Peleah</b>, Research Assistant, UNDP, Europe and the CIS, Bratislava Regional Centre</p> <p><i>Co-facilitator:</i> <b>Ala Negruta</b>, Head of Social Statistics and Living Standards Division, NBS</p> |
| <b>16:00-16:20</b> | General conclusion of the four sessions and closing.   | Facilitator: <b>Vladimir Golovatiuc</b> , general director, NBS  |