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Under the modern conditions, population of many regions of the World faces challenges in ensuring dignity and equality which are common to all, as well as in the organization of social protection answering the purposes of sustainable development.

Solution of the problems of demographic development, provision of decent work in the interests of economic growth and achieving sustainable well-being, arrangement of social protection according to international norms and regulations and national standards are designed to ensure addressing the problems defined in the resolution adopted in September 25th, 2015, by the United Nations Summit on Sustainable Development “Transforming our world: the 2030The Agenda for Sustainable Development”.

Social issues in the European countries are very similar, but the solutions are different depending on their national social protection models. ILO Recommendations 202 On National Floors of Social Protection of June 14th, 2012, contains the guiding principles that must be taken into account when working out basic social guarantees on a nationwide scale. National protection floors are becoming not only an important tool for preventing and reducing the incidence of poverty, inequality, social isolation and social vulnerability, but also a way of ensuring human dignity, reaching equal opportunities of social well-being.

Developing nationwide models of social protection of population in the context of sustainable development is becoming a priority of the agenda of international cooperation. The international conference “**Human well-being, social cohesion and sustainable development: the quest for the responses to contemporary challenges**” became a platform for sharing experience, comparing approaches to tackling the challenges of society on regional, national and international levels.

The results of the conference allow to compare best practices in solving social protection tasks and evaluate the importance of their wide dissemination with due regard to national peculiarities.

The conference participants express their commitment to the activities aimed to respond the goals of sustainable development, such as:

- End poverty in all its forms everywhere
- Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages
- Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all
- Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls

- Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all
- Reduce inequality within and among countries
- Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable
- Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns
- Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels
- Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development.

Realizing that all efforts on achievement of the goals of sustainable development will be is the cornerstone by the coordinated strategy in sustainable development which are carried out on the basis of the principle of national responsibility supported by complex national funding mechanisms, conference participants recognize the importance of the international cooperation, value of joint consultations and researches, accumulation of intellectual and institutional capacity for finding of ways of the joint solution of the general tasks. The role of the organizations of civil society in the solution of these problems is indisputable.

The conference participants consider appropriate to develop cooperation in the following directions:

Combining the efforts of governments, civil society, the private sector, research and educational personnel in the development, examination and testing of technologies for sustainable development, including:

- ✓ aging society;
 - ✓ strengthening of families and intergenerational solidarity;
 - ✓ migration policy;
 - ✓ social support for vulnerable groups of population
- Development of joint international mechanisms of informational, organizational support for ensuring gender equality, promotion of widespread and equal participation of women and men, as well as persons with disabilities, in the activities in labor market.
 - Assistance as to formation of international partnership and strengthening the potential opportunities in the sphere of monitoring and managing the implementation of sustainable development issues and development of social protection.
 - Ensuring access to open, comprehensive and transparent information on social protection issues for all interested parties, creation of mechanisms as to provision of reliable information on the implementation of social policies of various states;
 - Studying and distributing as to nationwide experience in the sphere of solving the problem of “transforming workplaces for the purposes of poverty eradication”.
 - Promoting the use of science, technology and innovations in order to support of sustainable development and to implement social protection programs.
 - Implementation of international and cross-country programs for training of social protection system staff, collaborative development of curricula and programs for familiarization with the best social practices.

The issue of Social Protection Floors is a key element of consistent, comprehensive and human rights-oriented social development policy focused on the protection the people against risks and vulnerabilities, as well as ensuring their well-being throughout the life span.

The participants of the conference express confidence that the International Conference has made a certain contribution in comparing approaches to solving the tasks of sustainable development facing the society and strengthening social welfare at the regional, national and international levels and has made some progress in finding answers to the challenges of our time. The conference participants emphasize the importance of a comprehensive vision of the development process, consistency in implementing decisions, recognizing the value and dignity of each and every one, and the importance of finding the most effective and people-centered solutions, in the interests of both present and future generations.