



## Webinars on Integrating Social Justice Principles into Public Policies and Programmes

### Third Webinar: Wage Policies and their Role in Achieving Social Justice

1 March 2021, 1:00 -3:00 p.m. (Beirut Time)

#### Proposed Agenda

Opening Session	
13:00 – 13:15	<p><b>Welcome Remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ms. Mehrinaz El Awady, Cluster Leader, Gender Justice, Population and Inclusive Development, ESCWA</li> <li>- Ms. Sarah F. Cliffe, Director, Center on International Cooperation, New York University</li> </ul> <p><b>Presentation of the Agenda and Introduction of Participants</b></p>
Session 1: Wage Policies in the Arab Region and their Linkages with Social Justice	
13:15 – 14:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Capital income and wage inequality: Evidence from ESCWA countries</b> <i>Mr. Salim Araji, Economic Affairs Officer, ESCWA (10 minutes)</i></li> <li>- <b>Improving wage policies from a social justice approach/lens</b> <i>Ms. Dina Tannir, Social Affairs Officer, ESCWA (5 minutes)</i></li> <li>- <b>Wage policy and minimum wages in Lebanon</b> <i>Mr. Zuheir Fayyad, Professor and Information Systems Engineer, Ministry of Labour, Lebanon (10 minutes)</i></li> <li>- <b>Open Discussion</b></li> </ul>
Session 2: Impact of COVID-19 on Wages and Examples of Wage Protection Systems	
14:00 – 14:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>The impact of COVID-19 on employment and wages in the Arab region</b> <i>Ms. Aya Jaafar, National Project Coordinator, ILO Regional Office (10 minutes)</i></li> <li>- <b>What COVID-19 has taught us about essential workers</b> <i>Ms. Faiza Shaheen, Inequality and Exclusion Lead, Pathfinders, NYU Center on International Cooperation (15 minutes)</i></li> <li>- <b>Open Discussion</b></li> </ul>
Concluding Remarks	
14:45 – 15:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Overview of ESCWA tools and guides for enhancing capacities in the area of social justice – Forthcoming report on wage policies, workers’ protection and social justice</b> <i>Mr. Oussama Safa, Chief, Social Justice Section</i></li> <li>- <b>Concluding messages</b> <i>Ms. Mehrinaz El Awady, Cluster Leader – Gender Justice, Population and Inclusive Development, ESCWA</i></li> </ul>