

INFORMALITY AND INCOME INSECURITY:

Is Basic Income a Universal Solution?



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14:00-16:00

Room XII, Palais des Nations

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Is a universal (or unconditional) basic income (UBI) an effective way for states to meet their social protection commitments in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development? Is it a utopian vision within reach of only the richest countries, or as several pilot schemes have shown, a realistic option for developed and developing countries alike to reduce poverty and increase social justice?

The upcoming Swiss popular vote on the introduction of a UBI gives UNRISD the opportunity to explore these issues with a panel of experts familiar with key experiences from countries in the Global North and the Global South.

SPEAKERS

DIDIER GEORGES

Mission of Haiti to the UN (via Skype)

PÄIVI KAIRAMO

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RALPH KUNDIG

President, Bien CH

PATRICIA SCHULZ

Member, UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

GUY STANDING

Professor, School of Oriental and African Studies; Co-President, Basic Income Earth Network (BIEN)

THOMAS VOLLMER

Head of Section for Old-Age, Generations and Society; Federal Social Insurance Office (OFAS); Federal Department of Home Affairs, Switzerland

MODERATOR

PAUL LADD

UNRISD Director

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