UN Representation Team New York prepares for 2015 Commission on Social Development

The New York delegation has submitted a statement on behalf of IFSW in preparation for the 53rd Session of the Commission for Social Development (CSocD) which will take place from 4 to 13 February 2015 at UN Headquarters in New York.

Since the World Summit for Social Development in Copenhagen in 1995, the Commission Social Development has been the key UN body in charge of the follow up and implementation of the Copenhagen Declaration and Programme of Action. Since 2006, the Commission has taken up key social development themes as part of its follow up to the outcome of the Copenhagen Summit. The 2015 Priority Theme of the session is "Rethinking and strengthening social development in the contemporary world". The 53rd Session will be chaired by Ms. Simona-Mirela Miculescu who is the Permanent Representative of Romania to the United Nations. IFSW was honored to have Ms. Miculescu as a distinguished panel speaker at the Social Work Day at The UN held in April 2014.

The IFSW statement cites the first report of the Global Agenda for Social Work & Social Development. Several lessons learned in the area of social and economic equalities were highlighted as a background for the recommendations made to the 46 member states to be participating in the CSoCD. The statement has been translated into the six official UN languages.

Links to IFSW statement: العربية, 中文, English, Français, Русский, Español