Achieving Social Protection for All Migrant Workers



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Co-Organizers:

Public Services International (PSI)
Global Migration Policy Associates (GMPA)
Building and Wood Workers' International (BWI)

Background

The issue of access and portability of social protection is a challenge, given the changing migration dynamics and evolving policy frameworks. Social protection and social security for migrant workers is subject to various ILO and UN Conventions and thus well established in international law. The key challenge with the legal framework however, is its under-ratification or lack of implementation. In practical terms, social protection needs to be part of a wider and more inclusive debate that takes in a long-term and holistic approach.

The workshop seeks to bring together trade unions, migrants' rights activists and civil society partners to explore the challenges associated with ensuring access and portability of social protection for all migrant workers, with the end in view of building joint strategies and campaigns.

Speakers:

Dr. Nicola Piper, GMPA – "Challenges to Access and Portability of Social Protection for Migrant Workers"

Genevieve Gencianos, PSI – "Defining the Role of Trade Unions and Civil Society in Achieving Social Protection for Migrant Workers"

Jillian Roque, PSLINK (Philippines) – "Social Protection and the Right of Migrants to Information"

Open Discussion