

# Economic Inequality, Financial Crises and Human Rights

SIDE EVENT AT THE 31<sup>ST</sup> SESSION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL

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## EVENT DETAILS

**9 March**

**14:00-16:00**

**ROOM XXIII • Palais des Nations • Geneva**

## ABOUT THE EVENT

The most vulnerable and marginalized groups in society are the ones who suffer most from economic and financial crises - and the austerity measures often used to counter them. This is because economic inequality goes hand in hand with other inequalities and multiple forms of discrimination, whether by gender, race, age or resident status.

The panellists will discuss how policies and institutions that are grounded in a human rights framework can contribute to reducing inequalities and strengthening resilience.

## PANELLISTS

**Juan Pablo Bohoslavsky**

Independent Expert On Foreign Debt and Human Rights

**Isabel Ortiz**

Director, Social Protection Department, ILO

**Mark Herkenrath**

Director, Alliance Sud

**Richard Wilkinson**

Co-Founder, The Equality Trust (via Skype)

**Stephanie Blankenburg**

UNCTAD

**Ambassador Regina Maria Cordeiro Dunlop**

Permanent Mission of Brazil

*Sandwiches and light refreshments will be served prior to the event*

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