**Concept note for conducting Side event in Social Forum 2023**

**Session On**

**Contribution of Social Science (thoughts), Social techniques (interactions) and social innovation (solution) for the poor and marginalized to the enjoyment of Human Rights**

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**Summary:** The concept of this side event is to discuss the aspects of socially developed science, technology and innovation beside the automated & lab tested science technology & innovations. The one hour session will feature a combination of drama or demonstration, paper presentation, panel discussion & open discussion. Our goal is to shed light on these issues, ensuring that no aspect is overlooked.

**Background:** In response to concerns about the impact of globalization on the enjoyment of economic, social and cultural rights, the concept of the Social Forum was discussed in 1997. This year, the social forum focused on the contribution of science, technology and innovation to the promotion of human rights, including the context of post –pandemic recovery.

**Introduction:** The term ‘science, technology and innovation’ often evoke the idea of the combination of progress with automation of the society. The 15th social forum acknowledges both positive and negative aspects of this concept. Besides these views, the social aspects of these issues also important to cover-up in such social platform.

**Proposition:** The aspect of science, technology and innovation in social sense that, actually do not uplifting human development in the sense of automation. They also profoundly affect the society in terms of social progress, in distinct dimension.

The term social science, social techniques and social innovations take place in common, wide ranged and in the period of human history.. And now we have reached in an expected alignment of those social thoughts. Therefore,

**Key issues:** In lights of concern related to the impact of globalization we should critically discuss how much social thoughts of human society as science, social interactions as techniques, and creating, implementing new solutions as innovation addressed social issues (economic, social and cultural rights) and improved the quality of life for individuals and communities.

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**Methodology:**

**November 3rd 2023**,

**Geneva time** **14:00-15:00h. BD time 6:00-7:00 PM**

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| **Step** | **Time**  **(1 hour)** | **Topics** | **Methods** | **Remarks on facilitation** |
| 1 | 5 minutes | Introduction on the event | Speech | Ziaul Hoque Mukta of VUCP, if he participates from remote OHCHR can decide in discussion with us. |
| 2.1 | 5 minutes | Eye opening | Drama/demonstration | A team can prepare through quick online rehearsal among the registered off line participant before the forum events. OHCHR can help to organize this. |
| 2.2 | 10 minutes | Key note paper presentation | Power point | Ziaul Hoque Mukta Chairperson  Voice for UN Convention on the Poor (VUCP) online or remote |
| 3 | 20 minutes | Panel discussion :  Social Science (thoughts in terms of political economic & social theories )  Social techniques (interactions in terms of knowledge, governance, commerce & social norms )  Social innovation (solution as HR instruments, development principles, planning & implementation) | 3 separate discussant will give their overview on 3 separate issues. | The discussant may select by OHCHR in discussion with us. |
| 4 | 15 minutes | Open discussion and shearing ideas and views | Individual presentation | As step 1 |
| 5 | 5 minutes | Sum-up and conclusion | Speech | As step 1 |

**Conclusion:** This concept of the side event will highlight the basic area aligned with the Social Forum mandate, paving the way for more in-depth discussions in separate events across various forums in the future.

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Note: This can be improved further if there is any suggestion from OHCHR.