

2011 International Social Security Week

Promoting a Global Prevention Culture

Programme



2011 International Social Security Week

Mexico City, April 27-29

The International Social Security Association (ISSA), the Inter-American Conference on Social Security (CISS), the Ibero-American Organization on Social Security (OISS), and the International Labour Organization (ILO) share a common vision of inclusive social protection systems and dynamic social security, and have an extensive common membership in the Americas, including Central, North and South America and the Caribbean. That is why, they have agreed to organize and annually celebrate the Social Security Week in order to promote collaboration and dialogue within the region.

The main goal of establishing the Social Security Week as an annual event is to promote and disseminate the knowledge of social security topics throughout the Americas and the Caribbean. The first Social Security Week will take place in April 27-29, 2011 in Mexico City, thanks to the support of the Mexican Institute of Social Security and Mexico's Institute of Social Safety and Services for State Workers.

For 2011, in particular, the selected topic is prevention, which will be covered from different social security aspects, such as financing, health insurance, working risks insurance, protection for older adults, and education and social security as long-term ingredient for the promotion of civil participation in social protection systems.

We look forward to counting on your distinguished participation and encourage a dynamic exchange of experiences around social security in our countries.

I. Agenda

Wednesday 27

Venue: National Museum of Anthropology and History

Schedule: 8:00 – 16:00

8:00-9:00 Registration

9:00-10:00 Inauguration

The event will allow the exchange of knowledge and experiences between the main institutions and agencies specialized in social security in the regions of the Americas and the Caribbean. The main subject will be the one of prevention, which will be approached from different aspects covered by social security such as financing, health, security and health in the workplace, active aging, globalizing processes and education.

10:00-10:15 Opening Ceremony of the ISSA Liaison Office for North and Central America - Coordination of Regional Program

The regional program for ISSA member organizations from North and Central America, hosted by the ISSSTE, will promote the exchange of experts, information, the organization of regional congresses and forums, development and enhancement of public social security policies with a preventive approach.

10:15-10:30 Coffee Break

10:30-11:00 Welfare State in Spain: Evolution of Social Security

Keynote speech: **Adolfo Jiménez**, Secretary General, Ibero-American Organization of Social Security, Spain.

The first speech of the event will discuss the evolution of the Welfare State in Spain during the last three decades and over the future, considering that Spain constitutes a paradigm regarding the evolution and development of social security systems.

11:00-12:00 New Perspectives on Social Security

Panel:

- **Marta Feitó**, General Director, National Institute of Social Security, Cuba.
- **Minerva Hernández**, Senator, Mexico.
- **Leonardo Rolim Guimaraes**, Secretary of Social Prevision Policy, Ministry of Social Prevision, Brazil.
- **Jesús Villalobos López**, General Director, Institute of Safety and Social Services for State Workers, Mexico.
- **Moderador: Adolfo Jiménez**, Secretary General, Ibero-American Organization of Social Security, Spain.

The panelists will comment on current challenges faced by social security in the region taking Spain's social security as main reference.

12:00-12:30 Coffee Break

12:30-13:00 Health Prevention Programs and their Impact on Social Security Systems in the Americas

Keynote speech: **Rubén Torres**, Coordinator of the Health Public Policy Project and Research, Pan-American Health Organization.

The main objective of the speech will be to present the perspective of the Pan-American Health Organization on the importance of the efficient access to sanitary services in order to provide a combination of promotion, prevention, treatment and rehabilitation, particularly considering the elements contained in its 2010 Annual Report. The importance of the enhancement of the health and social security systems will be highlighted, with a special emphasis in the most efficient methods for public spending management.

13:00-14:00

Panel:

- **Gabriel Manuell Lee**, Medical Director, Institute of Safety and Social Services for State Workers, Mexico.
- **Arturo Herrera Barquero**, Advisor to the Medical Division, Social Security Fund, Costa Rica. To be confirmed.
- **Ernesto Saro Boardman**, President, Health Commission at the Senate, Mexico.
- **Moderator: Santiago Echevarría Zuno**, Director of Medical Benefits, Mexican Institute of Social Security, Mexico.

This panel will work as forum for exposing national programs and

legislations that pursue the enhancement of prevention in the health and social security systems in diverse countries such as Peru, Costa Rica and Mexico.

14:00-16:00 Lunch

Thursday 28

International Day: Health and Safety at Work

Venue: Inter-American Conference on Social Security

Schedule: 9:00 – 16:30

9:00-10:30 Progress and Challenges in Occupational Health and Safety

Keynote speeches:

- **Hans-Horst Konkolewsky**, Secretary General, International Social Security Association, Switzerland.
- **Carlos Santos**, Head of the Ibero-American Strategy for Occupational Safety and Health, Ibero-American Organization of Social Security, Spain.

This session will deal with the progress achieved in the decade and the current and most important challenges concerning occupational safety and health.

10:30-10:45 Coffee Break

10:45-12:15 Perspectives on Putting Occupational Health and Safety in Practice

Keynotes speeches:

- **Cameron Mustard**, President, Institute for Work and Health, Canada.
- **Alejo Fraile**, Director, National Center for the Verification of Machinery, Ministry of Employment and Immigration, Spain.

Panel:

- **Gilberto Quinche**, President, Positiva Company, Colombia.
- **Pedro Cárdenas Olmos**, Manager of Prevention, Chilean Safety Association, Chile.
- **Rafael Rodríguez Cabrera**, Coordinator of Occupational Health, Mexican Institute of Social Security, Mexico.
- **Moderator: Hans-Horst Konkolewsky**, Secretary General, International Social Security Association, Switzerland.

A variety of topics will be discussed, such as inspection services, private advising, occupational safety and health management, policy and national planning. In addition, examples of efficient practices and successful implemented strategies for occupational safety and health will be described.

12:15-12:30 Coffee Break

12:30-13:15 Aging and Social Spending

Keynote speech: **Pieter Vanhuyse**, Senior Researcher and Policy Analyst, European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research, Austria.

In the past two decades, population aging has accelerated in most OECD democracies as a result of ever-longer life expectancies and continuing low fertility rates. This has led many scholars to predict the advent of 'gerontocracies,' as the increasing voting power is alleged to translate into more generous pension spending and, more generally, into ever more pro-elderly biased welfare states. This lecture will assess both claims in some detail. First, it will discuss the effects of population aging on both program size and benefit generosity of public pensions in the OECD. The speech will argue that, far from leading to ever more generous pension benefits, population aging leads to the cutting of smaller slices out of larger cakes: it increases overall pension program spending but decreases the generosity of individual benefits. Second, the speaker will widen the discussion to cover altogether eight separate social spending programs as well as a composite indicator of pro-elderly welfare spending bias. The speech will argue that population aging does a better job of explaining social spending within countries than between countries. That is, as a country grows older, it will, not surprisingly, tend to spend more than it used to do on pensions and more generally it will have a higher pro-elderly bias. But interestingly, older OECD countries do not spend significantly more on pensions than younger countries, nor do they have a stronger pro-elderly bias. To explain such between-country differences, political and institutional factors appear more important than socio-demographic ones.

13:15-15:00 Lunch

15:00-16:30 Programs on Active Aging

Panel:

- **José Carlos Baura**, Head of the Program for Older Adults, Ibero-American Organization of Social Security, Spain.
- **Israel Raymundo Gallardo**, Director of Economic and Social Benefits, Mexican Institute of Social Security, Mexico.
- **Pedro Vásquez-Colmenares**, Director of Economic, Social and Cultural Benefits, Institute of Safety and Social Services for State Workers, Mexico.
- **Bob Gallo**, Illinois State Director, AARP, United States of America.
- **Elisaben Matos**, Executive Director, Labor Risks Administration Bureau, Dominican Republic.
- **Moderador: Jorge D'Angelo**, President, American Commission for Older Adults, Argentina.

Changes in the age structure are a direct consequence of demographic transformations in the region. In the Americas, fertility rates tend to decrease continuously while longevity tends to grow. In this sense, the percentage of older adults increases in relation to the rest of the population. Hence, it is necessary that institutions promote active aging; that is why, in this Panel, international organisms as well as, American institutions will elaborate on the main features of successful programs in this arena.

Friday 29

Venue: Inter-American Conference on Social Security

Schedule: 9:00 – 13:30

9:00-09:45 International Cooperation Mechanisms on Social Security

Keynote speech: **Francisco Jacob**, Vice-Secretary General, Ibero-American Organization of Social Security, Spain.

Migration movements constitute a constant process in the economic globalization process. Under these circumstances, it is necessary to articulate international instruments that guarantee migrant workers' social protection and their families', such as bilateral and multilateral conventions and agreements, which in the Ibero-American context have led to different initiatives, such as the Ibero-American Multilateral Agreement on Social Security.

09:45-10:00 Coffee Break

10:00-11:30 Education and Culture for Social Security

Presentation of the Executive Program "Regional Strategy for Citizenship with Social Security Culture"

- **Miguel Ángel Fernández Pastor**, Director of the Inter-American Center of Social Security Studies, Argentina.

The Executive Program Regional Strategy for a Citizenship with Social Security Culture "Social Security for All" will be presented. This session will analyze the progress achieved through the *Educational Program Regional Strategy for a Citizenship with Social Security Culture "Social Security for All"*, whose main goal is to sensitize and involve the population of Latin American countries, from a young age through adulthood, regarding values and principles on social security.

11:30-11:45 Coffee Break

11:45-13:00 Education and Culture for Social Security

Presentation of Social Security Index

- **Ernesto Murro**, President, Social Prevision Bank, Uruguay.
- **Alfredo Conte-Grand**, Consultant in Social Security, Argentina.
- **Andras Uthoff**, Consultant in Social Security, Chile.
- **Juan Carlos Cortés**, Director, Corporation for the Development of Social Security, Colombia.
- **Efraín Arizmendi**, Head of the Northern Delegation DF, Mexican Institute of Social Security, Mexico.

The Social Security Index and its progress will be presented. This Index will allow the technical measurement of the evolution and progress concerning social security in the region.

13:00-13:30 Closing Session

**2011 International Social Security Week Declaration:
*On a Citizenship with Social Security Culture***

II. Schedule of Parallel Activities:

April 27	16:00-17:00	Guided Visit to Mexico's National Anthropology Museum
April 29	09:30-10:30	Annual Joint Ordinary Meeting of CISS Permanent Committee and CIESS Board of Directors. Open to the members of the Permanent Committee and Board of Directors only.

In addition, there will be four administrative meetings related to the CIESS-IADB Project on Wednesday and Thursday, open to the members of the Executive Committee of this program only:

- Meeting of the Directive Committee of the Educational Program *Regional Strategy for Citizenship with Social Security Culture*
- Meeting of Focal Technical Points of the Educational Program *Regional Strategy for Citizenship with Social Security Culture*
- Meeting of the Academic Committee of the Educational Program *Regional Strategy for Citizenship with Social Security Culture*
- Political and Strategic Commission of the Educational Program *Regional Strategy for Citizenship with Social Security Culture*.

III. Languages, Dress Code and Venues

Languages of the Event:

The official languages of this event will be English and Spanish.

Dress Code:

The dress code for this event is formal. In April, in Mexico City, weather is usually warm and sunny, with slight probability of rain in the evening.

Venues of the Event:

The event will take place at two different venues:

- On Wednesday 27, at the National Museum of Anthropology and History, located in the Polanco neighborhood.
- On Thursday 28 and Friday 29, at the CISS headquarters, located in the San Jeronimo Neighborhood.

The addresses of these venues are:

- **National Museum of Anthropology and History**
Paseo de La Reforma S/N, Polanco, Miguel Hidalgo, México DF.
Teléfono: 5553 6386

Web: www.mna.inah.gob.mx

- **Inter-American Conference on Social Security (CISS)**
Calle San Ramón S/N, San Jerónimo Lídice, Magdalena Contreras, México DF.
Teléfono: 5377-4700
Web: www.ciss.org.mx

IV. Accommodation, Transportation and Lunches

Hotels:

Assistants to the 2011 Social Security Week may stay at the following hotels:

- **CISS Hotel:** Assistants to the event may stay at the CISS hotel, which is an academic residence located within the CISS headquarters. This option is very convenient in terms of proximity. The rates of this hotel are presented in the table below and may be paid in cash only.
- **Camino Real Pedregal Hotel:** In addition to the CISS Hotel, participants may stay at the Camino Real Pedregal Hotel, which is 10 minutes away from CISS headquarters by car. This hotel offers preferential rates for the participants of the event, which are presented in the table below and may be paid either in cash or credit card.
- **Pedregal Palace Hotel:** This hotel is also 10 minutes away from CISS headquarters and offers preferential rates for participants, which may be paid in cash or credit card.

Note: Under any circumstance, the Inter-American Conference on Social Security, or any other of the organizing international organizations, assumes responsibility for hotel reservations. **Every participant shall take responsibility of his/(her own hotel reservation).** Interested participants in staying at one of these hotels may contact the Organizing Committee of the event: ss2011@ciss.org.mx.

Hotel	Rate per Night Single Room (MX Pesos)	Rate per Night Double Room (MX Pesos)	Breakfast Not Included (MX Pesos)
CISS	\$693.00	\$404.00	\$160.00
Camino Real Pedregal	\$1,660.00 + Tax	\$1,660.00 + Tax	Menu
Pedregal Palace	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	Included

The addresses of these hotels are:

- **CISS Hotel**
Calle San Ramón S/N, San Jerónimo Lídice, Magdalena Contreras, México DF.
Teléfono: +52-55-5377-4700
- **Camino Real Pedregal Hotel**

Periférico Sur No. 3647, Héroes de Padierna, Magdalena Contreras, México DF.
Teléfono: +52-55-5449-3650
Fax: +52-55-5449-3658
Web: <http://www.caminoreal.com/Micrositio/index.php?id=4>

- **Pedregal Palace Hotel**

Periférico Sur No. 3487, Héroes de Padierna, Magdalena Contreras, México DF.
Teléfono: +52-55- 5681-1290
Web: www.bestday.com.mx/pedregal

Transportation:

Airport – Hotel – Airport:

The participants that are international delegates of some of the organization that will participate in the event may have access to transportation airport-hotel-airport, provided that they send their flights information in due time to ss2011@ciss.org.mx.

Hotel – Venue:

Considering that the 2011 Social Security Week will take place in two different venues, participants staying in the aforementioned hotels may use transportation offered by the Organizing Committee free of charge, between the CISS and the National Museum of Anthropology for the first day, and between the hotels and the CISS for the second and third days.

Lunches and Travel Expenses:

During the event, lunches will be offered on Wednesday 27 and Thursday 28, at the corresponding venue. In addition, coffee and snacks will be offered during the entire event. Participants will have to pay for their own breakfasts and dinners.

Every participant shall cover his/her own travel expenses, including accommodation, ticket and food. Registration to the event has no cost.

V. Registration and Contact

In order to register for the event and confirm your participation, please send us back the registration form attached to ss2011@ciss.org.mx, by April, 15, 2011. The registration form may also be downloaded from CISS website: www.ciss.org.mx

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