## The Influence of Employment and Social Security Policies on Income Distribution in Post-Crisis Era

## August 28 to September 4, 2016 France & Belgium

#### 28 August 2016

Departure from Beijing (02:05) to Paris CDG Terminal 1 (7:25) 8:00 Bus trip in Paris

12:00 lunch at Opéra Mandarin, 23 Boulevard des Capucines, 75002 Paris 01 47 42 49 56

13:00 Hotel check-in: Hotel Louison, 105 Rue de Vaugirard, 75006 Paris

## 29 August 2016

#### Session 1

10:00-12:00

## **Expertise France**

73 rue de Vaugirard 75006 Paris, FRANCE

## Chair:

- Lead of the Chinese delegation: Mr. Pu Yufei
- Mr Frédéric Sansier, Director of Employment and Social Protection Department, Expertise France

## **Topics:**

- Overall management of Component 1
- Organization of the Policy dialogue and study visit
- Preparation of the High Level Event in September 2016

Lunch: Saveurs de Chine, 18 Rue de L'arrivée, 75015 Paris

Tel: 09 67 22 94 05

## Session 2

14:00-17:00

Ministry of Labour, Employment, Vocational Training and Social Dialogue 10 place des 5-Martyrs-du-Lycée-Buffon 75015 Paris, FRANCE

## **Speakers:**

- Nathalie Nikitenko, Delegate for European and International Affairs, Ministry of Labour and Ministry of Health and Social Affairs
- Olivier Toche, Chief of Service and Jean-Henri Pyronnet Deputy Director
- Hugues de Balatier, Chief of Service and Deputy General Delegate, General Delegation for Employment and Vocational Training

#### **Topics to be discussed:**

- Presentation of the recent Law on Labour (its content, key issues and context) and its outcomes
- Overview of public policies to promote employment with a focus on measures dedicated to vulnerable individuals

## 30 August 2016

Hotel pickup 8:15

#### **Session 3**

09:00-12:00

# Pôle Emploi, National Employment Public Service, 1 avenue du Docteur Gley – 75020 Paris

## **Speakers:**

- Annie Gauvin, Director of International Affairs and Relationships, Public Employment Service of France
- Quentin Duvivier, Chief of Department for cooperation for companies
- Laurence Salter, Chief of Department for Local social action

## **Topics to be discussed:**

- Presentation of the National Employment Public Service and of the European employment perspective
- Strategy to support employment and companies
- Global approach towards employment issues and social vulnerability

Lunch: Scarlett et le Cochon Volant 5 Rue de Romainville, 93260 Les Lilas

### **Session 4**

14:30-17:00

## France Stratégie, 18 Rue de Martignac, 75007 Paris

#### Speakers:

- Jean Pisani-Ferry, Chief Commissioner
- Fabrice Lenglart, Delegate Chief Commissioner
- M. Gautier Maigne, Director of the Society and social policies department.
- M. Vincent Aussilloux, Director of the Economics Department

## **Topics to be discussed:**

- Welcoming, presentation of France Stratégie and presentation of NDRC and the UE cooperation project
- « Impact of the crisis on income distribution and on middle class », Q/A
- Public policies implemented in order to mitigate the crisis effects: feedbacks from the work of the committee for the monitoring and evaluation of the « CICE » (tax credit for competitiveness and employment), Q/A
- Conclusion and photos.

## Travel from Paris (18:55) to Brussels (20:17)

Hotel check-in: Hotel Bloom, Rue Royale 250, 1210 Saint-Josse-ten-Noode

## 31 August 2016

Federal Public Services Social Security of Belgium Kruidtuinlaan 50, 1000 Brussel, Belgium

#### Session 5

09:00-12:00

## **Chair:**

- Mr. Pu Yufei, Lead of the Chinese Delegation, Director General, Department of Employment and Income Distribution, NDRC
- Dr. Koen Vleminckx, Director Belincosoc

## **Topics and Speakers:**

- Changes in income distribution in EU member states since the financial crisis, especially the changes of quantity and income level of middle class
- Ms. Ana Llena-Nozal, Directorate for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs, OECD<sup>1</sup>
- Social Protection as an economic stabilizer
- Dr. Mathias Dolls, Senior Researcher, Centre for European Economic Research, Mannheim<sup>2</sup>

#### Session 6

14:00-18:00

## **Chair:**

- Mr. Pu Yufei, Lead of the Chinese Delegation, Director General, Department of Employment and Income Distribution, NDRC
- Dr. Koen Vleminckx, Director Belincosoc

#### **Topics and Speakers:**

- Impact of the Financial Crisis on the EU labour market
- Mr. Tom Bevers, Chairman of the Employment Committee of the European Union (EMCO)
- Temporary agency employment as a way to deal with fluctuations in the labour market
- Mr. Denis Pennel, Managing Director of the International Confederation of Private Employment Services

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Co-author of the two latest OECD inequality studies, "Divided We Stand" (2011) and "In It Together" (2015). She is currently working on a draft report on inequalities and inclusive growth in selected emerging economies (including China).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Co-author of 'Automatic Stabilizers and Economic Crisis: US vs. Europe' in: Journal of Public Economics 96 (3-4), 279-294

## 1 September 2016

# Federal Public Services Social Security of Belgium Kruidtuinlaan 50, 1000 Brussel, Belgium

#### **Session 7**

09:00-12:00

#### Chair:

- Mr. Pu Yufei, Lead of the Chinese Delegation, Director General, Department of Employment and Income Distribution, NDRC
- Dr. Koen Vleminckx, Director Belincosoc

## **Topics and Speakers:**

- Impact of policies, wage development and employment on poverty among the elderly
- Mr. Gijs Dekkers, Federal Planning Bureau, Belgium
- Recent changes in unemployment benefits and coverage
- Ms. Maria Vaalavuo, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion, European Commission

#### **Session 8**

14:00-18:00

## **Chair:**

- Mr. Pu Yufei, Lead of the Chinese Delegation, Director General, Department of Employment and Income Distribution, NDRC
- Dr. Koen Vleminckx, Director Belincosoc

## **Topics and Speakers:**

- Evolution of poverty and income inequality in Belgium and the impact of the Financial Crisis
- Mr. Rudi Van Dam, Chair of the Indicators' Sub-Group (ISG) of the Social Protection Committee (SPC)
- The role of labour market policy during and after the financial crisis
- Mr. Fons Leroy, Managing Director, VDAB
- European minimum income and poverty

## 2 September 2016

## **Directorate-General Employment of the European Commission**

#### Session 9

9:45-12:00

## Meeting with European Commission – DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion

## **Topics:**

- Perspective and implementation of next-step cooperation with EU in terms of optimizing income distribution and increasing the number of midlle class
- How to effectively combine employment stratgy with the increasing of middle class and the promotion of social stability?
- In the process of adjusting economic structure, how to enhance employment quality and increase workers' income through guaranting and promoting free labour mobility?
- In the process of global captizalization, how to ensure opportunity equity and improve social inclusiveness through eliminating poverty and social marginalization?

9:45 – 10:45: Meeting with Mr. Stefan Olsson, Director for Employment policies, DG Employment, Social Affairs & Inclusion (Rue Joseph II 54, Brussels)

11:00 – 12:00: Meeting with Mr. Michel Servoz, Director-General, DG Employment, Social affairs and Inclusion (Rue Joseph II 27, Brussels)

#### **Travel from Brussels back to Paris**

No.9452 15:13-16:35

## Hotel check-in

Address: Hotel Louison, 105 rue de Vaugirard Paris

## 3 September 2016

## **Departure from Paris back to Beijing**

Flight number: CA934 20:20-12:25(+1)