



Round table on
**European Social Charter – 60th anniversary and
25 years of Russian membership of the Council of
Europe**

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8.45-9.15	Arrival of participants of the Round Table at the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection of the Russian Federation, <i>Il'inka street 21, Moscow</i>
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9.30-10.00	Opening of the Round table <u>Russian Federation – 25 years of Council of Europe membership</u>
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Moderator: to be determined

- Representative of the Council of Europe [tbc]
- Minister/Deputy Minister of Labour and Social Protection [tbc].
- Representative of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs [tbd]
- Valery FADEEV, Advisor to the President of the Russian Federation, the Chairman of the Presidential Council for Promoting the Development of Civil Society and Human Rights.

PART I. <u>A longstanding partnership between the Russian Federation and the European Social Charter</u>

Moderator: to be determined

10.00-10.50	Brief presentation on the European Social Charter and the ongoing reform process
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- Karin LUKAS, the President of the European Committee of Social Rights
- Julie GOMIS, Representative of the Governmental Committee of the European Social Charter and the European Code of Social Security [tbc].
- Representative of national authorities [tbd] (*very brief history of preparation of RF's ratification of the Charter, its experience so far and its view of the reform process*)
- Questions and answers.

10.50-11.20	Coffee break and networking
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11.20-12.45	Implementation of the European Social Charter provisions in the Russian Federation: achievements and challenges
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- Ekaterina TORKUNOVA, member of the European Committee of Social Rights
- Representative of the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection [tbd] (*implementation of social rights and Charter monitoring outcomes in the RF*)
- Representative of the Presidential Council for Promoting the Development of Civil Society and Human Rights [tbd] (*implementation of social rights in the RF*)
- Questions and answers.

12.45-14.00	Lunch break
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14.00-14.45	A longstanding partnership between the Russian Federation and the European Social Charter: towards new commitments?
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- Giuseppe PALMISANO, the former President of the ECSR, the General rapporteur of the European Committee of Social Rights (via videoconference)
- Representative of the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection [tbd]
- Questions and answers.

PART II. <u>Partnerships in good democratic governance</u>

Moderator: to be determined

14.45-15.15	Role of the Presidential Council for Promoting the Development of Civil Society and Human Rights in ensuring compliance with the case law of the ECSR on social matters: achievements and problematic issues
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- Representative of the Presidential Administration [tbd]
- Representative of the Presidential Council for Promoting the Development of Civil Society and Human Rights [tbd]
- Questions and answers.

15.15-15.45	Coffee break and networking
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15.45-16.45	The role of NHRIs, civil society and the social partners (trade unions and employers) in promoting the European Social Charter
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- Representative of the Confederation of Labour in Russia [tbd]
- Stefan CLAUWAERT, ETUC Senior Legal and Human Rights Advisor, European Trade Union Confederation (via videoconference)
- Representative of a non-governmental organisation [tbd]
- Representative of National Human Rights Institutions [tbd]
- Questions and answers.

16.45-17.30	Closing remarks and conclusions
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- Karin LUKAS, the President of the European Committee of Social Rights
- Representative of the Presidential Council for Promoting the Development of Civil Society and Human rights [tbc]

- Representative of national authorities [tbc].