Social work's possible contributions to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Social Action on the international Stage

Conference Japan - 2022

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IFSW UN Commissioner (volunteer position) Social Work practitioner in Switzerland as CEO of WoBe AG (Area: housing, mental and physical disabilities, aging and care farming)



International Federation of Social Worker (IFSW)

- More than 140 national associations and over 5 Million Social Workers
- Commissions (education, human rights, ethics, indigenous peoples and United Nations)



IFSW UN Commission

- 22 members (in 11 time zones)
- 6 headquarters and offices
- Topis vary include housing, SDGs, children, women, older people climate change, health, social protection, refugees, drugs and many more.





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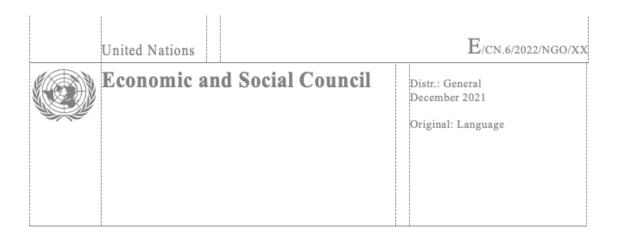
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Examples of our work









Commission on the Status of Women Sixty-sixth session 14-25 March 2022 Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century"

Statement submitted by the International Federation of Social Workers, a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council*

IFSW STATEMENT ON THE DRAFT CONVENTION ON THE RIGHT TO DEVELOPMENT

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Current topics at the UN, Geneva

Resolution on the right for a healthy nature (Human Rights Council 48/13/2021

Conference of Parties (COP26)

Our Common Agenda

Resolution for the Rights of Older People

Policy Paper of **IFSW:** SW and the UN **SDGs**



Relevance of the SDGs for Social Work

"...IFSW affirms and supports the UN's Sustainable Development Goals, recognizing their momentum and the opportunities they create to foster social, economic and ecological transformational change globally."

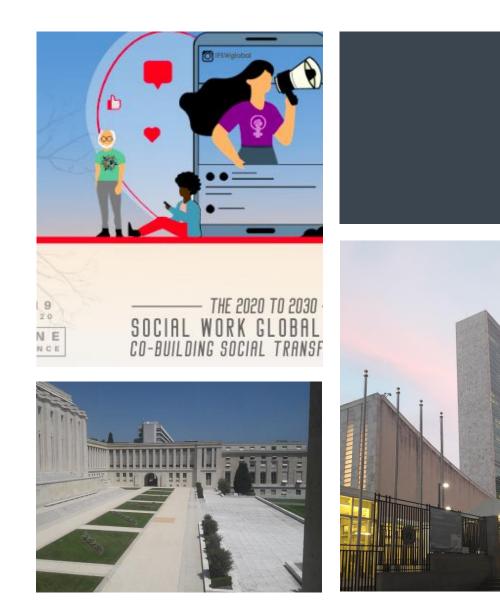


"...IFSW knows that the social work profession can and shall be a strong and recognised partner.»

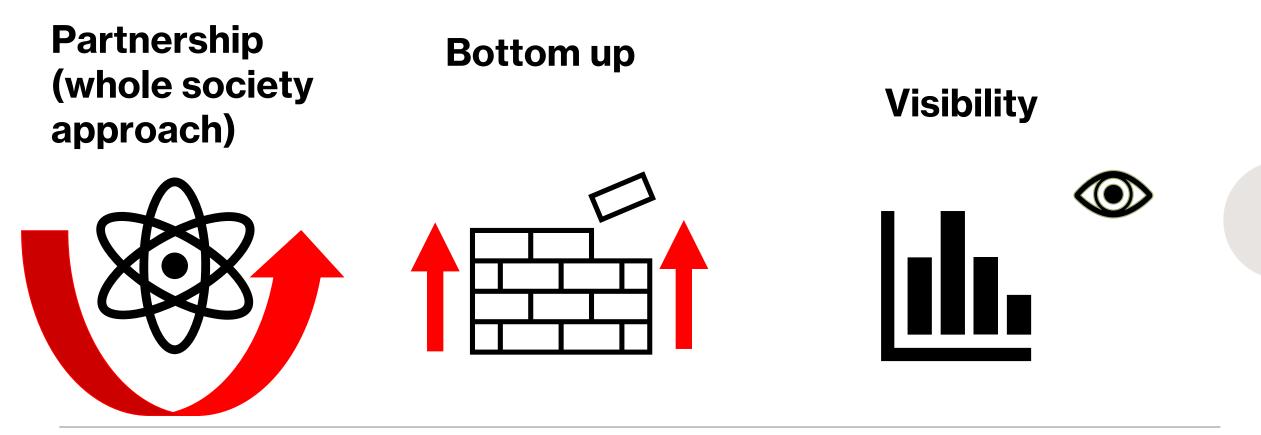
Policy Paper

From the idea to the policy paper

2017-2021



How to work with the SDGs



Policy Paper on SW and the SDGs – CALL



IFSW CALLS TO

- ADDRESS opportunities and gaps concerning the implementation of the UN SDGs
 RECOGNISE Social workers are agents of change
- ASSERT the need for **climate justice that** is affecting the people we work with
- INVITE global, national and local governments to build strong partnerships
- ADVOCATE for social services and promote a strong and skilled social work profession
- INTEGRATE into Social work educations, schools and training the Social Protection Systems and the UN SDGs
- SUPPORT its members to contribute to a critical analysis of power relations and to actively contribute to future agendas and policies.



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