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Honorable David Sergeenko
Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied
Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia

Honorable Minister Sergeenko,

**2019 Social Protection Week: Securing the Future of Asia and the Pacific
9-12 September 2019, Manila, Philippines—Request for Nomination**

The Social Development Thematic Group of the Asian Development Bank (ADB) is hosting the **2019 Social Protection Week: Securing the Future of Asia and the Pacific (APSP)**. This event will be held at ADB Headquarters in Manila, Philippines on 9-12 September 2019.

Around 200 global social protection experts and practitioners, representatives from the private sector, development agencies, and civil society organizations are expected to convene in the 2019 APSP to share expertise from within and outside the Asia and Pacific region. The program will cover important issues such as social assistance, sustainable financing, pension reforms, aging and elderly care, climate change and disaster resilience, use of digital technology for service delivery, and the roles of government leaders and development agencies.

We are pleased to invite you to **nominate one (1) senior government official** from your ministry to participate in this event. The nominated official should be at the level of director general or director with knowledge of, and experience with, national social protection initiatives.

ADB will make arrangements and cover expenses for airfare (roundtrip economy class, most direct and cost-effective route to Manila), hotel accommodation, and a daily subsistence allowance in accordance with its practices and rates. An admin note detailing the logistical arrangements will be provided at a later date.

Your office may wish to send nomination, including designation and complete contact information (postal address, email address, telephone and fax) no later than Tuesday, 30 April 2019 to Secretariat (sdtg@adb.org) and Ms. Ana Chichinadze (achichinadze@adb.org). This will allow us time to review the nominations and initiate the logistical arrangements for participants.

We look forward to continuing our close collaboration.

Sincerely,

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Attachments: Draft program, registration form

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