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Asia-Pacific Social Protection Week 2019: Securing the Future of the Region ADB Headquarters, Manila, Philippines, 9-12 September 2019

Dear Ms. Barkalaia:

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) Social Development Thematic Group is pleased to invite you as a panelist for the session on Child Grants in Georgia, Indonesia and Mongolia of the Asia-Pacific Social Protection Week 2019: Securing the Future of the Region (APSP). This event will be held at ADB Headquarters in Manila, Philippines on 9-12 September 2019.

The regional knowledge sharing event will discuss challenges and opportunities to expand social protection in response to demographic shifts and achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals. Global social protection experts and practitioners, representatives from the private sector, development agencies, and civil society organizations are expected to convene in the 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. APSP will provide a venue for building alliances and networks to strengthen social protection in the Asia and Pacific region.

ADB will make arrangements and cover expenses for a round-trip air ticket to Manila, Philippines (business class, most direct and cost-effective route), hotel accommodation, and daily subsistence allowance in accordance with its practices and rates. An administrative note detailing the logistical arrangements will be provided at a later date.

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the APSP Secretariat at sdtg@adb.org

Thank you for your kind attention and we look forward to seeing you at the APSP.

Sincerely yours,

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Attachment: Provisional Agenda

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