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Distinguished colleagues,

- It is a great honour to speak at this round table, especially at a time when the world is facing changes in social development.
- The promises made in Copenhagen and confirmed in Doha remind us that we must act together to build a fairer and more inclusive future.
- As Lithuania's Minister of Social Security and Labour, I am committed to making real changes. Our goal is clear: to build a society where no one is left behind, where everyone is treated with dignity, and where social support helps people grow and succeed.
- We are working hard to reduce social exclusion, especially for vulnerable groups. We want older people to be active in

society, and we are improving our family policies. But we must do more. Young families need safe and affordable homes because a stable home is the foundation of a good life.

- We also see the aging population as an opportunity. Older people have experience and wisdom. We must support active aging and build strong connections between generations.
- Employment is another key goal. In Lithuania, we offer special help to jobseekers, people with disabilities, and those who need training or support to find work. We believe that decent work should be available to everyone. That is why we invest in lifelong learning and skills for the future.
- Lithuania has welcomed many Ukrainians – more than thirty seven (37 000) thousand have found jobs in our country. Municipalities also provide financial and social help to those in need. This shows our strong commitment to solidarity.

- Around the world, we face many challenges: climate change, conflicts, and inequality. We need smart policies that connect economic growth with fairness and inclusion. Lithuania supports working together across government and society, and we invite others to do the same.
- The future is shaped by our choices. Let ours be guided by justice and inclusion.
- Thank you.