



# International Social Clusters: An Innovative Tool for Implementing & Building Democracies, Gender Equality & Women's Advancement in Post-Soviet States

## *Roundtable Discussion* Agenda

Constitution Hall, Building 1 of the Seimas

13 March 2013

- 15:00 – 15:10 Welcome
- Ms Marija Aušrinė Pavilionienė, Member of the Lithuanian Seimas, Chairman of the Women Parliamentary Group
  - Jonathan M. Berger, Public affairs Officer, the US Embassy to Lithuania
- 15:10 – 15:20 Introductions
- Participant introductions
  - Facilitator introduction: Ms Courtney Price, PhD, USA
- 15:20 – 15:25 Social Clusters & Their Impact on Society
- Ms Vincė Vaidevutė Margevičienė, Member of the Lithuanian Seimas
- 15:25 – 15:35 Gender Equality & Women's Empowerment Policies in Lithuania & Lithuanian International Obligations
- Mrs. Angele Bajoriene, Vice-ministry of the Ministry of Social Affairs and Labor & the Commission of the Equal Opportunities for Women and Men, Lithuania
  - Mrs. Skaiste Aniuliene, Ambassador at large, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Lithuania
- 15:35 – 15:45 US Foreign Policies on Gender Equality & Promotion of Women & Girls Globally
- Jonathan M. Berger, Public affairs Officer, the US Embassy to Lithuania
- 15:45 – 16:00 Goals & Objectives of an International Social Cluster for the Promotion of Gender Equality & Empowering Women & Girls in Post-Soviet Countries
- Ms Liudmila Mecajeva, President, Social Innovations Global, USA
  - Ms Jill Hansen, Executive Director, Social Innovations Global, USA
- 16:00 – 16:45 Facilitated Discussion: **Benefits of Forming an International Social Cluster Pilot**
- Ms Courtney Price, PhD, facilitator
- 16:45 – 16:55 Forming an International Social Cluster Pilot for the Promotion of Gender Equality & Empowering Women & Girls in Post-Soviet Countries
- Ms Liudmila Mecajeva, President, Social Innovations Global, USA
- 16:55 – 17:00 Conclusions & Wrap-up
- 17:00 Reception & Networking (*Seimas Restaurant*)
- Hosted by Social Innovations Global