

**Public Hearing**  
**"Addressing inequalities in developing countries, with specific  
reference to the COVID pandemic"**

**Wednesday 26 May 2021, 16.45 - 19.15**  
**JOZSEF ANTALL BUILDING - ROOM 6Q1**

**FINAL PROGRAMME**

- 16.45** *Welcome*  
**Tomas TOBÉ**, Chair of the Committee on Development  
**Eugenia RODRÍGUEZ PALOP**, Vice-Chair of the Committee on  
Women's Rights  
*Introductory remarks*  
**Udo BULLMANN**, MEP, Moderator
- 17.05** *Achieving an international enabling environment for effective national  
policies*  
**Stephanie BLANKENBURG**, Head of UNCTAD's Debt and  
Development Finance Branch  
*Addressing inequalities through the EU's International Partnerships*  
**Jutta URPILAINEN**, European Commissioner for International  
Partnerships  
*What works in practice? What inequality-reduction efforts and results in  
different countries show*  
**Ben PHILLIPS**, anti-inequality campaigner and author of 'How to fight  
inequality (and why that fight needs you)'
- 17.45** Q&A session
- 18.15** *Domestic civil society work for inequality reduction - example from  
Sierra Leone*  
**Andrew LAVALI**, Executive Director at Institute for Governance  
Reform (IGR) in Sierra Leone  
*Supporting inequality reduction in developing countries: examples and  
discussion of EU and EU Member State action*  
**Christian MORABITO**, Senior Expert, Agence Française de  
Développement - European Commission Research Facility on Inequalities  
*Assessment and proposals regarding the EU's approach*  
**Tanya COX**, Director, European confederation of relief and development  
NGOs (CONCORD)
- 18.50** Q&A session
- 19.12** *Concluding remarks by Udo BULLMANN*, MEP, Moderator