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and human rights - The employment guarantee as a tool in the fight against  
poverty**

**Statement by M. Jean-François Kammer**  
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Mr Chairman  
Mr Special Rapporteur  
Excellencies, dear Delegates,

The Sovereign Order of Malta commends the Special Rapporteur's Report and shares his conclusions.

The right to work is an enforceable human right.

Job guarantee schemes should indeed be favored. By nature, they are favoring the development of the economy and the social situation of the people, and may give more attention to training and education. They also contribute to the integration of the most disadvantaged in society.

As a humanitarian institution the Order of Malta gives, in the framework of its worldwide action special attention to the situation of refugees and IDPs. Enabling them a decent possibility to access a job and to work either in their own country or abroad as refugees should be a responsibility for all of us.

In that sense such a guarantee of work schemes, as encouraged, enables communities to be more inclusive and to guarantee the dignity of each individual. Hence, in addition we have a mechanism reducing the risk of corruption, protecting in particular the minorities, and favoring at the same time the resilience of societies as a whole.

Thank you.