

Celebrate Social Work Month around the World and at the United Nations Headquarters in New York (April 1, 2019) and at the Geneva Office of the United Nations (March 19, 2019).

This year's theme for World Social Work Day will certainly resonate with group workers: *Promoting the Importance of Human Relationships.*



This poster and ideas for commemorating world social work day are available (in multiple languages) at: www.ifsw.org. The Guardian has an interesting article on celebrating social work day (from last year): <https://www.theguardian.com/social-care-network/2018/mar/20/six-reasons-to-celebrate-world-social-work-day>.

Social Work Day at the United Nations Headquarters is part of the celebration – this year it will take place on April 1, 2019 due to scheduling conflicts in March at the UN in New York.



The IASWG is a supporter of Social Work Day at the UN, and encourages members to participate in person, through the live stream, or viewing the event later at <http://webtv.un.org>.

Social Day at the United Nations is supported by the IFSW, IASSW, ICSW and other international bodies – which also mount and support events during Social Work Month) and World Social Work Day. **The Social Work Day event at UN Headquarters often takes place outside of Social Work Month due to space issues (like the April 1st date this year).** There is no fee for attendance.

Registration opens March 4th, 1:00 PM for the April 1st Event at the UN (and closes quickly when filled). Go to: <https://www.monmouth.edu/school-of-social-work/student-resources/united-nations/social-work-day-registration-info/>

Accompanying Social Work Day at the UN is a Student Event at Fordham University on March 31 from 1-5:00 PM. (Registration opens March 5,

1:00PM): <https://www.monmouth.edu/school-of-social-work/student-resources/united-nations/student-forum-social-work-day-registration-info/> There is a nominal fee for attendance.

World Social Work Day, March 19, 2019 is commemorated at the United Nations Office at Geneva, Switzerland, as well as in multiple international locations. Details on multiple events around the world, including the one in Geneva (with information on attending and video opportunities -- scroll down the list of venues for more information, at: <https://www.ifsw.org/social-work-action/world-social-work-day/world-social-work-day-2019/> www.ifsw.org

There will be a live stream and videotape/archive Social Work Day at the United Nations. It can be watched live at (<http://webtv.un.org>), and after the event. United Nations Television (webtv.un.org) has archived videos from the past two years of social work events at UN Headquarters in New York and the Geneva Office of the United Nations – you can find them at webtv.un.org (search for Social Work Day).

National and regional bodies that focus on social work education and/or practice often hold their own social work month and day events. I think IASWG members will be interested in the following compilation of events related to World Social Work Day around the world:

<http://www.socialserviceworkforce.org/world-social-work-day-events>

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