



# Rotterdam Global Health Initiative

## Network meeting: Social Protection in Health

Thursday 13 June 2019, 15:00 – 17:30h

Location: Room Aula A, International Institute of Social Studies (ISS),  
Kortenaerkade 12, 2518 AX, Den Haag

Extending the health related goals of the 2015 phased-out Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and integrating thirteen sub-targets covering all major health priorities, the 3rd Sustainable Development Goal (SDG3) positions health as its central agenda with the motto “Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages”. Consequently, it has become quite common to hear “Social Protection in Health” as one of the key strategies in addressing the financial impediments in accessing health care and moving towards the so called “Universal Health Coverage (UHC)”. With the inherent interplay between poverty and illness (where direct and indirect costs of health shocks increase the risk of further impoverishment and vice versa), social protection in health serves dual objectives of improving health status and reducing poverty. What are the prominent alternatives to showcase social protection in health? What are the options in organizing such alternatives? What are the opportunities and challenges in financing social protection in health? These and other questions will be discussed at our RGHI meeting. After the meeting all participants are cordially invited for drinks.

### Agenda

15:00-15:10	Welcome & introductory remarks	<i>Prof. Inge Hutter</i>
15:10-16:10	Plenary presentations (à 30 min incl. questions)	<i>Dr. Getnet Alemu (Moderator)</i>
	1. Financing Social Protection in Ethiopia: A long-term perspective	<i>Prof. Tassew W/Hanna</i>
	2. Social assistance in Social Health Protection Policies in Belgium: Are there Lessons for LMICs?	<i>Prof. Bart Criel</i>
16:10-16:30	Coffee/tea break	
16:30-17:30	Panel discussion: Social Protection in health Panellists: <i>Prof. Arjun Bedi</i> <i>Prof. Bart Criel</i> <i>Dr. Carlos Riumallo Herl</i> <i>Prof. Tassew W/Hanna</i>	<i>Dr. Matthias Rieger (Moderator)</i>
17:30	Drinks and Snacks at the ISS Butterfly Bar	

Open to all researchers in the field of global health at Erasmus MC and Erasmus University.

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