

## SOCIAL WATCH PRESENTS ITS NEW REPORT TO HEADS OF STATE

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President Armando Guebuza of Mozambique, Helen Clark, Head of the UNDP, René Ramírez, minister of planning of Ecuador, German parliamentarian Heidemarie Wieczorek-Zeul along with UN officials and over 50 diplomats were present in New York for the launch of the [SOCIAL WATCH REPORT 2010](#). The findings of Social Watch are part of discussions on the new development paradigm hosted by the German mission to the UN on the eve of the MDGs Summit.

The event was co-organized by Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Social Watch and Global Policy Forum and took place on 17 September 2010. The reality of poverty and inequities, as perceived from communities and grassroots is different from the top-down views. The contributions of citizen groups from over 60 countries for the Social Watch Report 2010 entitled "After the Fall. Time for a New Deal" shows that we are a long way from attaining the Millennium Development Goals. Further, Social Watch research shows that poverty reduction has globally slowed down since 2000. It concludes that a comprehensive redefinition of our approach to development is needed.

Social Watch is also co-organizing a series of discussion panels with government and civil society representatives about concrete actions needed to achieve progress in poverty eradication and social justice.

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