

New Publication proposes a new social contract for future generations

Addis Ababa, 04 November 2013 (ECA) - Published under the Portuguese title, *Novo Contrato Social. Propostas para esta geração e para as futuras* (2013) this book was recently launched, during the Ethos Conference held in Sao Paolo, Brasil from 3-5 September, 2013. As the title suggests, this book challenges the reader to rethink the possibility of a new social contract based on notions of sustainable development for upcoming generations. The reflections in this book by Carlos Lopes, Ignacy Sachs and Rajendra Pachauri among others, is the result of a debate entitled, "A New Social Contract for the 21st Century" organized by the Instituto Ethos and UNITAR on June 23 2012. The nine chapters focus on the global agenda for 2015-2020 and tackle current environmental, social and economical challenges. The debate was held 250 years after the publication of Rousseau's *Social Contract* and one day after RIO+20. Thus, the analysis in the book serves as a source of reflection for academics, economists, sociologists and environmentalists from every generation.

The book is available at http://www3.ethos.org.br/cedoc/novo-contrato-social-propostas-para-esta-geracao-e-para-as-futuras/#.UnJYWSePb_1 [1] , a joint publication of Ethos Institute and Planeta Sustentável (Brazil). It is edited by Editora Abril (Brazil)

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