1. Policies to address problems of living standards usually focus on income in some form or other. In other words, income is normally the most objective proxy for economic well-being for policy purposes. (*Canberra Group*)

2. But in the present times, through the greater part of Europe, a credible day-labourer would be ashamed to appear in public without a linen shirt, the want of which would be supposed to denote that disgraceful degree of poverty… (*Adam Smith*)

3. The analysis of the link between monetary and non-monetary deprivations reveals that the overlaps are of rather limited magnitude, which indicates that different facets of social exclusion cannot be solely explained by the lack of money. (*Chapter 4*)

4. While monetary poverty plays important role it is actually the status of unemployment which significantly increases the likelihood of deprivation in other areas. (*Chapter 4*)

5. It is paradoxical that without work experience social assistance beneficiaries hardly get a job, yet without employment they cannot gain any experience when their activation is low on the agenda. (*Chapter 5*)

6. On the one hand, higher levels of work activity among social assistance recipients could be a consequence of certain employment incentives embedded in the government social assistance and labor market programs. On the other, they can be a pure product of a strong economic performance offering jobs to all. (*Chapter 3*)

7. Basic individual rights are inalienable, just as one’s social obligations cannot be denied. (*Amitai Etzioni*)

8. If I had asked people what they wanted, they would have said faster horses. (*Henry Ford*)

9. The poor in a society may lack both the capability to survive, as well as the capability to be included in a society, yet once the society has achieved the ability to sufficiently feed and clothe vast majority of its members, questions of their inclusion relative to one another remain and indeed may become much more important to consider. (*OECD*)

10. Life is like a box of chocolates…you never know what you’re gonna get…And, that’s all I have to say about that. (*Forrest Gump*)