



European Competence Centre for Social Innovation: Communities of Practice

COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE ON SOCIAL INCLUSION "MAPPING AND EXPLORATION EVENT ON THE SUBTHEME OF HOMELESSNESS"

OBJECTIVES OF THE EVENT

- Discuss and map existing and new challenges regarding the social inclusion of homeless people.
- Discuss and map the changing requirements of support systems and social services. Are services affordable, available, and effective?
- Review the ESF+ investments available to combat the existing and new challenges, including the ESF+ programming and preparations.
- Presentation of ESF+ funded interventions that proved to be effective in light of the 25% ESF+ allocation requirement.
- Share information regarding key policy developments such as the European Platform on Combatting Homelessness and the Social Housing Toolkit.

KEY INFORMATION

Date: Thursday, 2 March 2023

Time: 10.00 to 13.00 (CET)

DRAFT AGENDA

Time (CET)	Description
9.45-10.00	TECHNICAL SET-UP AND VIRTUAL WELCOME COFFEE Participants log in through the link at least 15 minutes before the beginning of the event to test the tools and have the informal chat with other participants.
10.00-10.20	OPENING AND WELCOME Welcome to the participants. <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Asta Jurgutė, Head of the European Competence Centre for Social Innovation▪ Agnė Buividavičiūtė, Coordinator of the Community of Practice on Social Inclusion▪ Luk Zelderloo, Lead thematic expert in the field of social inclusion▪ Ruth Owen, Thematic expert in the field of homelessness, Deputy Director of FEANTSA Opening statement. <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ European Commission, Directorate General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion (TBC)
10.15-10.30	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ STATE OF PLAY HOMELESSNESS IN THE EUROPEAN UNION▪ Freek Spinnewijn, Thematic expert in the field of homelessness, Director of FEANTSA



10.30-10.40	EUROPEAN PLATFORM ON HOMELESSNESS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> European Commission, Directorate General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion or FEANTSA (TBC)
10.40-10.55	HOUSING UKRAINIAN REFUGEES IN SLOVAKIA, POLAND, HUNGARY, ROMANIA AND GERMANY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eszter Somogyi, Sociologist, Metropolitan Research Institute, Hungary
10.55-11.10	SOCIAL HOUSING TOOLKIT Presentation of the social housing toolkit that is currently in the process of being developed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> European Commission, Directorate General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion (TBC)
11.10-11.25	QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
11.25-11.35	COMFORT BREAK
11.35-12.15	ESF+ & HOMELESSNESS Representatives of the member states will present how they are using the ESF+ and other European Union funds to address homelessness in a changing context. The aim is to provide a few short, inspiring case studies to inform the Roundtable Discussion. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Iveta Marcinova, Project Manager, Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of Czech Republic Kārlis Lakševics, Lecturer and a Researcher at the University of Latvia Germany (TBC) Italy (TBC)
12.15-12.50	ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION A roundtable discussion will involve the representatives of managing authorities and other stakeholders. The focus will be on how ESF+ and other EU funds are being used to address homelessness. We will also investigate how the social inclusion community of practice can help and support the member's work. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moderator: Freek Spinnewijn, Thematic expert in the field of homelessness, Director of FEANTSA Questions for the Roundtable Discussion: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Is the ESF used to address homelessness in your country? 2. Do you see new challenges when addressing homelessness due to the changing societal context, including high inflation and refugees from Ukraine? 3. Is homelessness a priority in the Partnership Agreement and/or relevant Operational Programmes for this financial period (MFF)? If not an explicit priority, are there specific objectives that provide opportunities? 4. Do you have a promising practice to share? 5. What could be achieved on homelessness in this financial period (MFF) in your country? 6. How could the CoP's Social Inclusion work on homelessness support you?
12:50-13:00	CONCLUDING REMARKS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> European Commission, Directorate General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion (TBC) Luk Zelderloo, Lead thematic expert in the field of social inclusion