

# BUILDING BACK BETTER: Social Rights and wellbeing at the heart of a new EU Economic Governance

Presentation of the Social Rights Monitor 2021



Hybrid event,  
December 1,  
2 - 4 pm.

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While EU economies and societies slowly recover from the Covid-19 crisis, the European Commission relaunched the EU Economic Governance Review process, which had been postponed due to the outbreak of the pandemic. European societies are not the same as they were in February 2020, when the process was originally launched. How will this be reflected in the new Economic Governance? Will the lessons learned during the Covid-19 crisis be incorporated and social justice and wellbeing be prioritised? Can we build back better?

We will try to answer these questions through a discussion with EU policymakers, researchers, as well as trade unions and civil society representatives at our annual European Conference. To have a clearer idea of the state of social rights in Europe, SOLIDAR and FEPS will present the results of the Social Rights Monitor 2021. This will help give context to the discussion and identify the challenges that should be taken into account for the Review. Join us to find out more about social rights in Europe and their link with the Economic Governance!

## Hybrid Format:

- Via Zoom: [Registration link](#)
- FEPS Office: Avenue des Arts 46 - Brussels 1000, Belgium  
Covid-Pass required for people participating in person

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**1 December 2021**

**14:00 – 16:00**

**Agenda**

- 13:30-14:00 Registration and coffee for participants joining in person
- 14:00-14:05 **Opening remarks**  
**Mikael Leyi**, Secretary General of SOLIDAR
- 14:05-14:25 **Presentation of the Social Rights Monitor 2021 – European Trends**  
**Claus Larsen Jensen**, Chair of SOLIDAR's Social Affairs Forum & President of FIC
- 14:25-15:10 **Panel I: The point on the EU Economic Governance Review: Objectives & ambitions**  
**Judith Vorbach**, Member of the EESC Workers' Group  
**Margarida Marques**, Rapporteur of the EP report on the fiscal framework, S&D  
**Gustav Horn**, Member of the federal executive committee of the SPD  
**Valeria Ronzitti**, Secretary General, SGI Europe  
Moderator: **David Rinaldi**, Director of Studies & Policy, FEPS  
Q&A
- 15:10-15:50 **Panel II: Economic Governance and Social Justice: How to combine them**  
**Liina Carr**, Confederal Secretary, ETUC  
**Fabien Dell**, Member of Cabinet of Nicolas Schmit (TBC)  
**Jessica Nguyen**, Lead on the Economic Governance Review, Social Platform  
**Amandine Crespy**, Associate Professor, Université Libre de Bruxelles  
Moderator: **Carlos Roldán**, Social Policy Coordinator, SOLIDAR  
Q&A
- 15:50-16:00 **Concluding Remarks**  
**Maria Joao Rodrigues**, FEPS President & Chair of the PES Financial and Economic Network