

SPECIFIC MEASURES FOR A SOCIAL AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING

In the EU and in Hungary

Hybrid Conference on Housing

The Institute of Social Democracy in co-operation with the Foundation for European Progressive Studies is organizing a conference on European housing practices with outstanding international experts, politicians of Hungarian opposition and representatives of Hungarian housing NGOs to talk about what needs to be done and specific ideas for action.

The housing crisis affects about a third of the population. Millions struggle financially with housing hundreds of thousands live in uncomfortable homes and more than 60% of children live in overcrowded homes. The parties of democratic opposition want to change and improve this serious and comprehensive social problem and the goal is to achieve a real, responsible housing policy in Hungary that reduces social disparities and provides affordable housing and responds to environmental and climate protection issues. On our end housing policy is given a prominent place and responsibility in the government structure, in which the primary task is governmental coordination of housing issues and the development of a long-term public housing vision and strategy based on broad expert and social consensus and research and practical implementation.

The event is organised in a hybrid way. Due to the current state of the epidemic in Budapest, personal participation is only possible for a limited number of people with pre-registration. The event will be broadcasted live on Facebook, on the page of MSZP (Hungarian Socialist Party) and we are also inviting those who are interested to join us online via the zoom link below.

[To register](#) (for in person attendance)

DATE: February 8th, 2022

LOCATION: Villanyi Street Conference Hall

ADDRESS: 11-13. Villányi str. HU-1114, Budapest

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[Zoom link](#) | Passcode: 948613



AGENDA

Opening

- 13.30** **Gábor Harangozó**, Program Director of Institute of Social Democracy
13.35 **László Andor**, Secretary General of Foundation for European Progressive Studies

PRESENTATIONS

- 13.45** **Michaela Kauer**, co-coordinator of Housing Partnership for the Urban Agenda and Head of Brussels Office of the city of Vienna
- 14.00** **David Rinaldi**, Director of Studies and Policy, Foundation for European Progressive Studies and Lecturer of European Studies Institute at Universtité Libre de Bruxelles
- 14.15** Renovation of residential buildings
Bertalan Tóth, Co-Chair of Hungarian Socialist Party
- 14.25** Rental housing in district 13, Budapest
Dezső Hiszékeny, Member of Hungarian Parliament
- 14.35** Green panel
Roland Márton, Candidate
- 14.45** Social housing
András Jámbor, Candidate

PANEL DISCUSSION

- 14.45** Housing Minimum – Discussion with representatives of Non-governmental Organisations
Dániel Z.-Kárpát, Head of Housing Cabinet, In Unity for Hungary – united opposition
Dezső Hiszékeny, Hungarian Socialist Party