

Inequalities and the European Semester

Online Experts Meeting | Thursday 2nd July 2020

10.00 – 12.00

This meeting aims at fostering exchanges of ideas around policy proposals in the areas identified in the programme. The first part of the seminar is dedicated to the presentation and discussion of the research's progress. In a second time, three guided discussions will aim at gathering inputs on the policy areas (Taxation, macroeconomic, social employment). This seminar will help to identify potential solutions and with the formulation of recommendations for the final paper.

10:00 – 10:05

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

Mikael Levy, newly appointed Secretary General of SOLIDAR

10:05 – 11:00

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Presentation of research's progress and feedback on written comments by

- **Lorenza Antonucci**, Associate Professor at the School of Social Policy of the University of Birmingham
- **Francesco Corti**, Postdoctoral researcher - Università degli Studi di Milano
Visiting Fellow - Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS)

Discussants:

- **Klára Dobrev**, Member of the European Parliament, S&D Group, Rapporteur on the EP report 'Social and employment policy in the Euro area'
- **Estelle Göger**, Member of the Cabinet of Commissioner Gentiloni
- **Filip Tanay**, Team Leader Employment and Social aspects of the European Semester, DG EMPL

Chair: **David Rinaldi**, Director of Studies and Policy, FEPS and Lecturer, ULB – IEE

Q&A

11:00 – 11:55

**FOCUSED ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION
INPUTS FOR SOUND POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS**

Discussion based on authors' mid-term report. About 20 minutes debate with the aim of gathering inputs for policy recommendations

#1 – Social policy beyond poverty and social exclusion

Introduction by **Bart Vanhercke**, Director, European Social Observatory

#2 – Considering the effect of macro-economic policies on social policies

Introduction by **Fabrizio Barca**, Forum Disuguaglianze e Diversità

#3 – A social scoreboard for redistribution

Introduction by **Erika Mezger**, Senior Adviser, EPC

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CONCLUDING REMARKS

László Andor, FEPS Secretary General and former European Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion