

International Workshop

Children's Experiences with Poverty and Social Exclusion – Challenges for Research and Policies

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Wednesday, 27 June	Arrival of participants
20.00	Informal Dinner
Thursday, 28 June	
8.30	Arrival and registration
9.00 – 9.15	<p>Opening session</p> <p>Welcome address by <i>Bernd Marin</i>, Executive Director of the European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research</p> <p>Introduction of the programme for the 1st day by <i>Renate Kraenzl-Nagl</i> (European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research)</p>
9.15 – 9.45	<p>Round of introductions</p> <p>Chair person: <i>Renate Kraenzl-Nagl</i></p>
9.45 – 11.10	<p>1st Plenary session:</p> <p>Child Poverty and socially excluded children in Europe - Perspectives, facts and figures</p> <p>Chair person: <i>Erika Kvapilova</i> (UNIFEM, Regional Office for Central and Eastern Europe)</p> <p>Child poverty, trends, causes and policy responses - an OECD perspective, <i>Peter Whiteford</i> (OECD, Paris)</p> <p>Changing Perspectives. Researching child poverty and social exclusion in CEE/CIS, <i>Petra Hoelscher</i> (UNICEF Regional Office for CEE/CIS countries, Geneva)</p>
11.10 – 11.30	Coffee Break
11.30 – 12.55	<p>2nd Plenary session:</p> <p>Children`s Experiences with Poverty and Social Exclusion: Examples for child-centred research – Part 1</p> <p>Chair persons: <i>Renate Kraenzl-Nagl</i> and <i>Daniel Gerbery</i></p> <p>1) Images of children in low-income families, <i>Mona Sandbaek</i> (NOVA, Norway)</p> <p>2) What children from single parent families have to say about their lives: Poverty, social exclusion and policy implications from a trans-national, comparative project, <i>Spyros Spyrou</i>, (Center for the study of childhood and adolescence, Cyprus)</p> <p>3) How some children and their families cope with living in poverty and how some manage to get out of the poverty trap</p> <p><i>Angela Abela</i> (University of Malta, Dept. of Psychology, Malta)</p>
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch (venue: Restaurant Rebhuhn)

Thursday, 28 June

14.00 – 15.25

3rd Plenary session:

**Children`s Experiences with Poverty and Social Exclusion:
Examples for child-centred research – Part 2**

Chair: *Mona Sandbaek* (NOVA, Norway)

- 4) *How children perceive poverty, relative deprivation and exclusion – research findings from Estonia, Dagmar Kutsar* (University of Tartu, Estonia)
- 5) *Childhood in poverty and the coping strategies of children, Margherita Zander* (University of Applied Sciences Münster, Germany)
- 6) *Hearing the voices of low-income children: What children can tell us that can help to shape better policies to improve their lives, Tess Ridge* (University of Bath, United Kingdom)

15.25 – 15.30

Division into 2 Working Groups

(Coffee will be provided during the afternoon sessions)

15.30 – 17.55

Parallel session of the 2 Working Groups:

Chair persons: *Daniel Gerbery* (WG 1) and *Renate Kraenzl-Nagl* (WG 2)

Continuation of discussions and exchange of research findings in different European countries or regions and working on specific questions as follows:

Policy-related:

- What are the main priority areas in your country relating to children living in poverty and who experienced social exclusion?

Research-related:

- What are the gaps in research on this topic in your country? (incl. methodological issues)
- Possibilities of future collaboration: Collection of at least 3 ideas for research proposals

18.00 – 19.00

4th Plenary session:

Presentation of the results of the Working Group sessions

Chair person: *Mona Sandbaek*

20.30

Dinner

(meeting point: Hotel Strudlhof at 20.15;
venue: Restaurant Rubens, Palais Liechtenstein)

Friday, 29 June

- 9.00 – 9.10 **Opening session:**
Introduction of the programme for the 2nd day by *Daniel Gerbery*
- 9.10 – 10.45 **5th Plenary session:**
Linking Research and Policies
Chair persons: *Daniel Gerbery* and *Renate Kraenzl-Nagl*
Children in National Action Plans for social inclusion in the selected EU member states
Erika Kvapilova (UNIFEM, Regional Office for Central and Eastern Europe)
The Council of Europe's work to prevent and combat child poverty and social exclusion
Mona Sandbaek (NOVA, Norway)
- 10.45 – 11.15 Coffee Break
- 11.15 – 13.00 **6th Plenary session:**
Conclusions and Outlook
Chair persons:
Renate Kraenzl-Nagl, Mona Sandbaek & Daniel Gerbery
1) Continuation of the discussion of follow-up activities
2) Summary of the workshop, conclusions and outlook,
Yitzhak Berman (European Centre)
3) Tour de table: Impressions of the workshop
4) Closing the workshop
- 13.00 End of the workshop
Lunch (venue: Restaurant Scala)