

## European Centre BBinars on Social Policies in Eastern Europe: **Social care policy in the new reality. What has changed? What needs to be changed?**

The aim of this series of webinars is to offer members of the [Eastern European Social Policy Network \(EESPN\)](#), European Centre colleagues and a wider audience, especially interested in the Western Balkans and the Eastern Partnership region a possibility to exchange at a practical level about common challenges and progress on different social policy areas.

The second BBinar will discuss the impact of the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic on social care provision for older people in the Eastern Partnership region, and beyond. Basic parameters of “good social care”, like appropriateness, accessibility, affordability, and sustainability seem to have deteriorated during the last two years. Therefore, it is important to reflect on the challenges and shortcomings of the sector, but also to identify innovative policy approaches and practices that emerged in the new reality – at home, in the community, and in institutions.

Time & Date: **22 February 2022, 11:00-12:30** (Vienna time), online (via Zoom).

### Agenda:

**11:00-11:15: Introductory input by Kai Leichsenring**, European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research (Austria)

**11:15-11:45: Brief reflections by:**

- **Prof. Irina Grigoryeva**, School of Sociology, St. Petersburg State University (Russia)
- **Dr. Svitlana Aksyonova**, M.V. Ptukha Institute for Demography and Social Studies, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine (Ukraine)
- **Dr. Natia Partskhaladze**, Department of Sociology and Social Work, Iv. Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University (Georgia)

**11:45-12:30: Q&A and discussion with the audience**

Moderator: **Alexandre Sidorenko** European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research (Austria)

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