European Centre BBinars on Social Policies in Eastern Europe:

Family type childcare in Western Balkans

Models, challenges, and ways forward

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 third BBinar will discuss models, progress, challenges, and ways forward for the development of the family type cares services for children in Western Balkans with country examples from Croatia, North Macedonia, and Albania. The Western Balkan countries are implementing complex reforms to prevent child separation and provide adequate care for children that lost the parental care. These forms of care rely less on large residential institutions and more on family type forms of care such as foster families, guardianship, small care homes. The BBinar will present a snapshot of the care models developed across few countries, the progress and challenges, lessons learned as well as ways forwards for an adequate childcare system.

Time & Date: 2 June 2022, 11:00-12:30 (Vienna time), online (via Zoom), English - no translation provided.

Agenda:

11:00-11:15: Introductory input: Ms. Eljona Boce Elmazi, National Director World Vision (Albania & Kosovo)

11:15-11:45: Brief reflections:

- Ms. Martina Stabi, UNICEF Croatia (Croatia)
- Prof. Dr. Lucija Vejmolka, University of Zagreb (Croatia)
- Ms. Aleksandra Iloska, Public (North Macedonia)

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

Moderator: Ms. Veronica Sandu, European Centre (Austria)

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