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## BB Peer reviews in social welfare

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## The design of the social assistance benefit in Moldova: Improving targeting and supporting employment (online)

**6-7 September 2022**

The **Ministry of Labour and Social Protection of the Republic of Moldova** and the **European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research** invites you to participate in the **online** Peer review *“The design of the social assistance benefit in Moldova: Improving targeting and supporting employment”*, hosted by Moldova on **6-7 September 2022**. Peer reviews offer a great opportunity for countries from the Eastern Partnership and Western Balkans to exchange experiences about ongoing reform processes and improve existing policy solutions, through joint reflections on what works well, and what is needed to improve social policies.

This peer review will discuss Moldova’s approach towards minimum income guarantee and its attempts to improve social assistance targeting of the most vulnerable groups of society such as families with children, persons outside the labour market and pensioners. The aim is to share practical information about the Moldovan system on social assistance and its link to labour market activation measures (eligibility criteria, data on social assistance benefits vs. employment data, etc.). During the Peer Review, other countries will have the opportunity to present their experience, share good practices and lessons learned, be informed on EU good practices, and jointly formulate policy solutions.

The peer review will take place online on 6 September 2022, 9.00 – 15.00 (Vienna time) and 7 September 2022, 9.00 – 12.00 (Vienna time).

This Peer review is targeting NLOs in the Bridge Building countries of the European Centre. We invite policy maker representatives from the relevant ministerial departments of the host country, Moldova (min. 3-4 participants), and from the peer countries (min. 2-3 participants per country).

Please register under this [link](#).

The language of the Peer review is English.

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## Peer Review Programme

### Tuesday, 6 September 2022

08.45	Arrival of participants
09.00	<b>Welcome and introduction</b>
09.30	<b>The social assistance policy frame in Moldova:</b> Rationale, laws, processes and status quo
10.00	<b>Social assistance and its link with other policy fields such as employment:</b> Policy level learnings at all governance levels
10:30	Q&A
10.45	<b>Status Quo and current discussions on improvements in targeting the most vulnerable people:</b> Policy and functional/technical challenges
11.00	Break
11.15	<b>Peer Reflections</b>
12.00	Lunch
13.00	<b>Working Group, A and B:</b> Exchange on current systems and practices
15.00	End of first day

### Wednesday, 7 September 2022

09.00	Arrival and welcome
09.10	<b>Working Group:</b> Exchange on learnings at the policy level
10.15	<b>The policy approach applied in EU countries</b>
10.45	Break
11.00	<b>Executive Summary:</b> learnings from day 1 and day 2
11.15	<b>Learnings and activities of the participating countries</b>
11.45	<b>Wrap up and Closing</b>
12:00	End of second day