Informal care and gender equality in the Western Balkans - 4th BBinar
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Informal care as component of long-term care – an international issue
Informal care – a gendered matter

Source: Eurofound, EQLS 2018
The gender dimension of care and caring

- Gender distribution in informal care:
  - Women: 59%
  - Men: 41%

- Long-Term Care workforce EU + UK:
  - Women: 19%
  - Men: 81%

- People with long-standing limitations in usual activities due to health problems:
  - Women: 54%
  - Men: 46%

At least 44 million people, 12% of the adult population, receive care. 6.3 million people provide care in gendered ways.
Root causes

Problems

Gendered citizenship

Paternalism

Familialism
What do carers want?

Financial support: income based on a minimum wage

Employment: flexible working, paid and/or unpaid leave

Pension credits for care time

Regular breaks from caring

Training

Still unequal Partners in Care!