



Expertise for Social Policy Stakeholders

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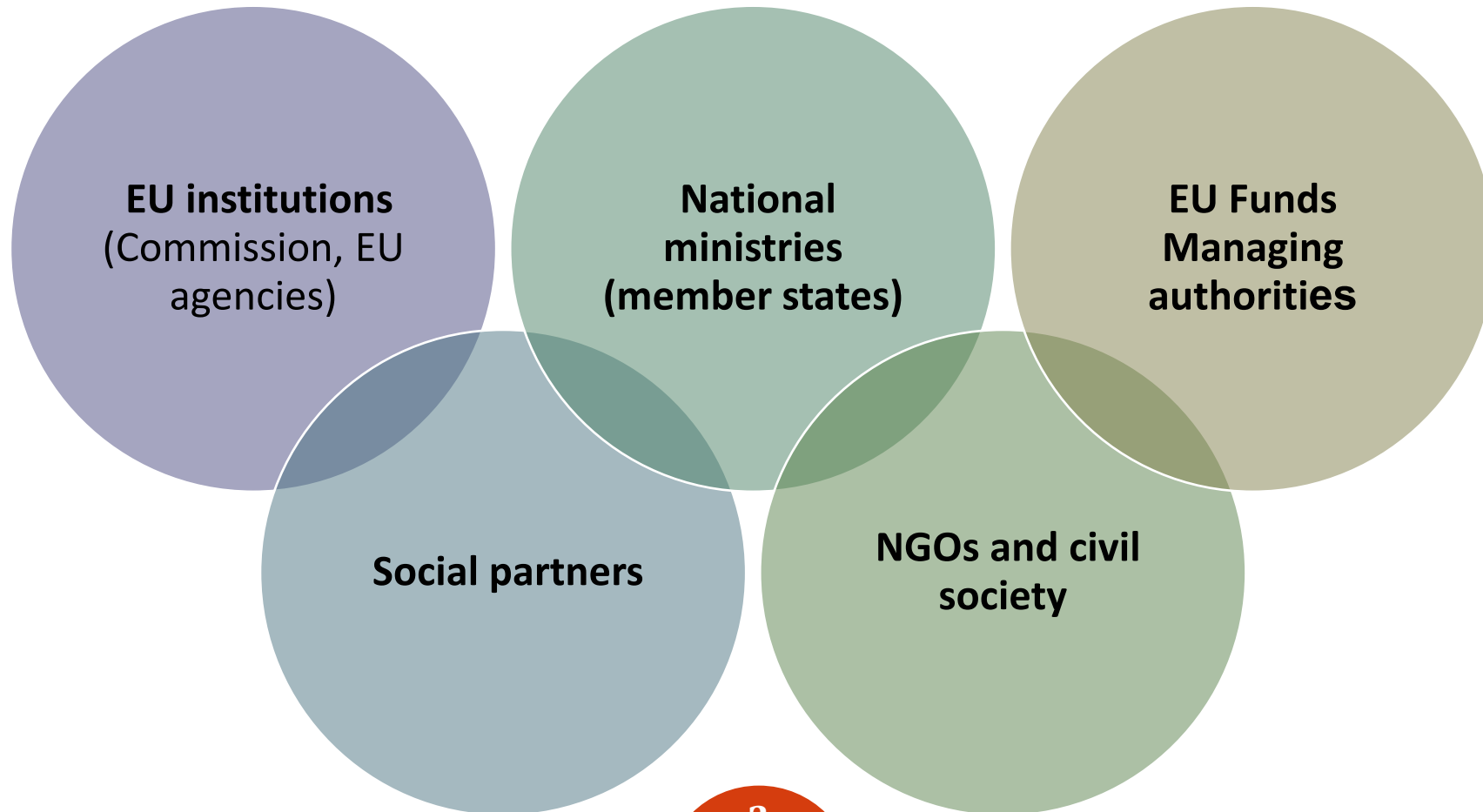
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We work for and with a broad variety of social policy stakeholders





Expertise for EU institutions

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Expertise for EU institutions**Supporting EU policy-making with disability data and analysis****European
Disability
Expertise****EDE – European Disability Expertise II**

- Launched as successor of ANED, current contract period: 03/2024 - 03/2028
- Provides independent, scientific data on disability policies & legislation
- Supports the European Commission by:
 - Informing EU disability policies (e.g., European Semester)
 - Contributing to future policy development & mainstreaming
 - Raising awareness & fostering dialogue with DPOs and EU MS
 - Facilitate reporting under the UN CRPD

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Expertise for EU institutions**Supporting EU policy-making with disability data and analysis****How does the European Centre contribute?**

1. Disability-related input for the European Semester (every year)

3 main policy areas:
Labour market,
Social protection &
independent living,
Education



27 Country reports by national experts



Synthesis report by the European Centre:
EU-wide and country-specific developments & challenges for PwD, national policy responses,...

2. Thematic and ad-hoc statistics & data on persons with disabilities

2024

Theme:
Employment

2025

Theme:
Housing

2026

2027

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Project team at the European Centre



<https://www.euro.centre.org/projects/detail/4919>



Expertise for social partners

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Expertise for social partners**Data analysis and visualisation**

GDPower: Recovering workers' data to negotiate and monitor collective agreements in the platform economy

- Co-funded by the European Commission (10/2023-09/2025) to support the development of industrial relations in the platform economy
- Consortium of research and social partner organisations from Austria, Belgium, France, Poland, and Spain.
- Innovative method: Use data received by workers through GDPR requests
 - to understand what data platform companies collect, and
 - to monitor the implementation of collective bargaining agreements

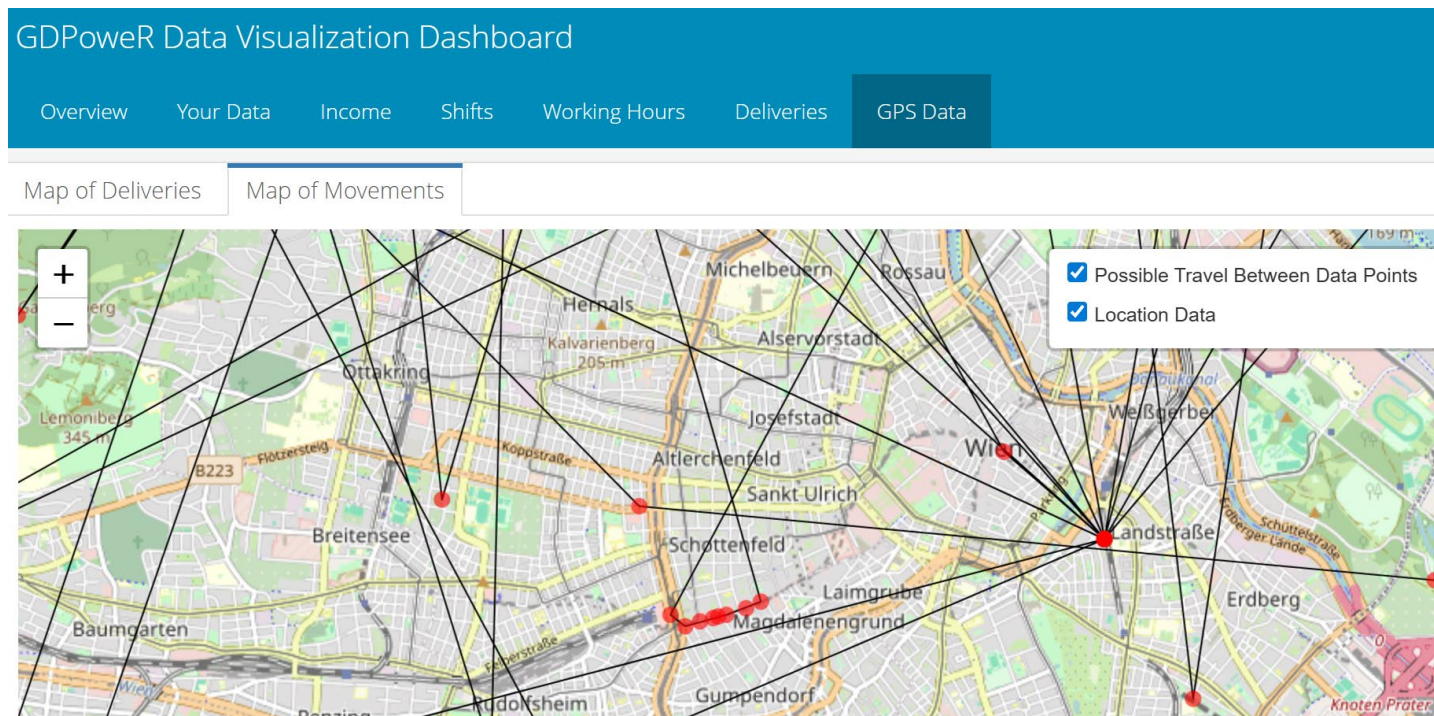


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Worker data visualisation dashboard

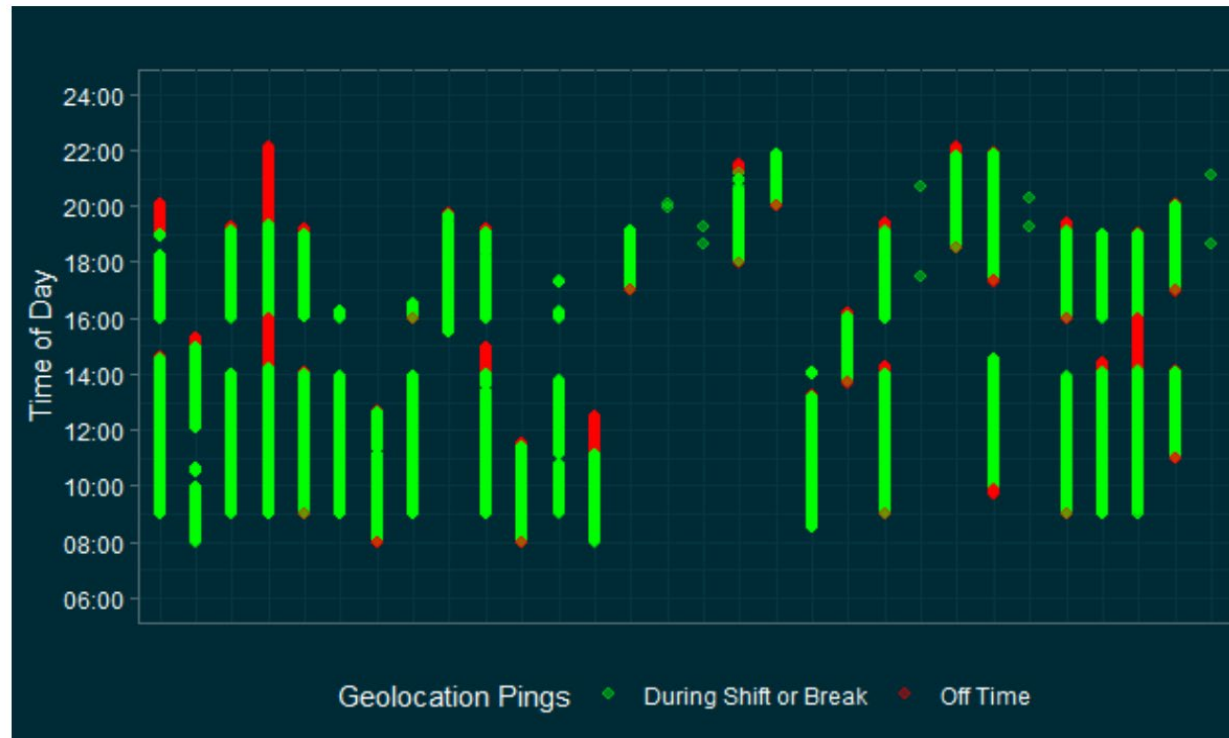


- Open-source code to produce summary statistics (*income, working hours, etc.*) and visualise location data.
- Replicable method – adaptable across platforms and countries – to help workers understand platforms' use of their data.

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Monitor worker tracking



- Visualise worker's location data during and outside scheduled shifts.
- Analyse compliance with agreement permitting tracking only during work hours.

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Data analysis and visualisation



- Data visualization code: <https://github.com/nikkobilitza/GDPowerR-Data-Visualization>
- Project: <https://www.euro.centre.org/projects/detail/4722>



Expertise for ministries in our member states

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Expertise for our member states

Supporting the Austrian Ministry of Social Affairs with methodological expertise

Older persons affected by violence and abuse

- Commissioned and funded by the Austrian Federal Ministry of Social Affairs, Health, Care and Consumer Protection (12/2024-06/2026)
- Objectives:
 - Explore **the state of the art** in measuring elder abuse and neglect
 - Identify **existing survey instruments and methodologies** on measuring elder abuse and neglect (including gaps)
 - **Develop and test** validated methods and tools to measure elder abuse and neglect in Austria in different settings

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Supporting the Austrian Ministry of Social Affairs with methodological expertise

	Project activities
✓	Glossary of key terms and definitions
✓	Review of international and national surveys
✓	Review of Austrian datasets and literature
✓	Expert interviews on elder abuse
	Online workshops on methodological challenges of EAN with international experts
	Workshops with Austrian experts
	Development of survey instruments

- Supports the ministry by
 - **Informing** about the state of the art on violence against older people in Austria and internationally
 - Presenting **recommendations** for collecting large-scale survey data on violence against older people

Expertise for our member states

Supporting the Swedish Ministry of Health and Social Affairs with policy expertise

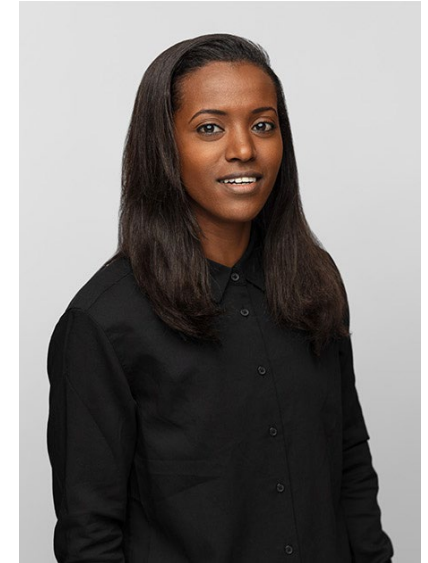
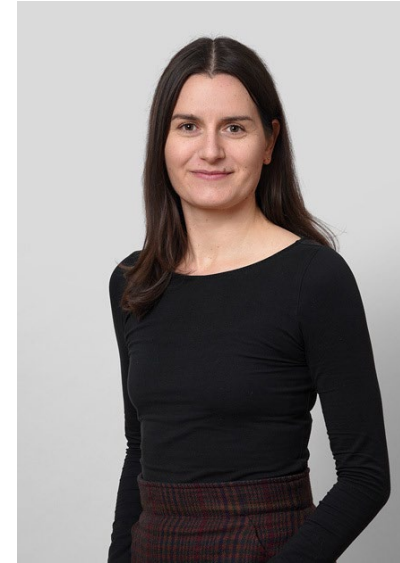
InfoCare – Good practices in supporting informal carers

- Commissioned and funded by the Swedish Ministry of Health and Social Affairs (02/2025-12/2025)
- Objective: Identify 1) **support measures** for informal carers and 2) **remaining challenges** in countries with well-developed formal long-term care services
- Methods:
 - Assessment of key indicators to identify countries with positive LTC system characteristics (**benchmarking**)
 - **Interviews** with experts from research, carers' organisations and administration to explore good practices for support and remaining challenges

Expertise for our member states**Supporting the Swedish Ministry of Health and Social Affairs with policy expertise**

Selected countries	Results	Remaining challenges	Supports the ministry by
• Finland • Germany • Lithuania • The Netherlands	• Informal carer support an increasingly relevant policy issue in all countries • Focus of informal carer support differs	• Addressing non-take-up • Expanding support (e.g., eligibility, generosity) • Recognising differences among informal cares (e.g., age, employment status)	• Providing information on policy developments in other European countries and welfare systems • Facilitating cross-national policy learning

Expertise for our member states
Supporting ministries with methodological and policy expertise



- Violence project: <https://www.euro.centre.org/projects/detail/5086>
- Informal carers project: <https://www.euro.centre.org/projects/detail/5152>

Summary and outlook

- Collect basic data
- Data analysis and visualisation
- Methodological expertise
- Policy expertise

Are there other ways to support you?



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