



# 'Mutual learning workshop on access to social protection: data, indicators and monitoring systems'

**26-27 November 2024**

**Penta Hotel Brussels City Centre**

**Chaussée de Charleroi 38, 1060 Brussels**

## Agenda

### Day 1 (Tuesday 26 November)

<b>12:00 – 13:30</b>	<b>Arrival and registration of participants and welcome lunch</b>
<b>13:30 – 13:50</b>	<b>Welcome and introduction</b> <i>Katarina Ivankovic-Knezevic, Director for Social Rights and Inclusion, DG EMPL, European Commission</i>
<b>13:50 – 14:15</b>	<b>Monitoring access to social protection at EU level: state of play and challenges</b> <i>Presentation by Laurent Aujean, Policy Officer, Social Protection Unit, DG EMPL, European Commission</i> Q&A
<b>14:15 – 14:45</b>	<b>Strategies to monitor access to social protection: national approaches and ways forward</b> <i>Thematic presentation by Slavina Spasova, thematic expert, European Social Observatory</i> Q&A
<b>14:45 – 15:40</b>	<b>Presentations by Member States and stakeholders on available monitoring tools and uses of data in policy making</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>The ILO World Social Protection Report 2024-26: Reflections on access to social protection in Europe, Christina Behrendt, Head of the Social Policy Unit, Universal Social Protection Department, ILO</i></li> <li>• <i>Statistics on access to social protection in Belgium: a look at the current situation, Silke Laenen, Data expert, Federal Public Service Social Security, Belgium</i></li> </ul> Q&A

<b>15:40 – 16:10</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>16:10 – 17:30</b>	<p><b>Working group discussion on available monitoring tools and uses of data in policy making</b></p> <p><i>Moderated discussions in 3 parallel working groups, providing opportunities for all participants to contribute their views and comments.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How visible is the issue of access to social protection in EU countries – and how can regular statistical reporting improve its visibility and policy making in this area?</li> <li>• What impact had international tools (such as the ILO 2012 Social Protection Floors Recommendation, 2019 EU Council Recommendation and European Pillar of Social rights) on reporting on access to social protection?</li> <li>• Does data and monitoring help policy makers pay attention to coverage and adequacy issues when preparing reforms of social protection systems?</li> </ul>
<b>17:30</b>	<b>Close</b>
<b>19:00 – 21:00</b>	<b>Networking dinner at Tero (Chaussée de Charleroi 38, 1060 Brussels)</b>

## Day 2 (Wednesday 27 November)

<b>08:30 – 09:00</b>	<b>Welcome coffee and registration of participants</b>
<b>09:00 – 09:20</b>	<p><b>Recap of the first day (including reporting from the workshop discussions)</b></p> <p><i>Hans Dubois, Senior Research Manager, Eurofound</i></p>
<b>09:20 – 9:50</b>	<p><b>Monitoring access to social protection for workers and the self-employed: challenges and opportunities</b></p> <p><i>Thematic presentation by Dirk Gillis, thematic expert, KU Leuven</i></p> <p>Q&amp;A</p>
<b>9:50 – 10:55</b>	<p><b>Presentations by Member States and stakeholders on producing reliable data on access to social protection, especially on formal and effective coverage for non-standard form of work</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Monitoring the number of people in non-standard forms of employment, particularly solo self-employed and civil law contracts in Poland – maternity allowance, Patrycja Szczyпка-Baran, Chief specialist, Ministry of Family, Labour and Social Policy, Poland</i></li> <li>• <i>Micro datasets from the Social Insurance Agency, Slavomir Duriska, main state counsellor, Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Family, Slovakia</i></li> <li>• <i>Statistics and research on Finland's social security system: presentation on a website provided by the Social insurance institution of Finland (Kela), Laura Peutere, Senior researcher, Kela, Finland</i></li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ISSA's role in supporting global and national monitoring of social security/protection coverage in a changing world of work, Shea McClanahan, Senior Officer in Security and Social Policies, ISSA</li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A</p>
<b>10:55 – 11:15</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>11:15 – 12:15</b>	<p><b>Working group discussion on producing reliable data on access to social protection, especially on formal and effective coverage for non-standard form of work</b></p> <p><i>Moderated discussion in 3 parallel working groups, providing opportunities for all participants to contribute their views and comments.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What is the state of play in terms of availability of data about access to social protection across the EU?</li> <li>How to address the remaining information gaps in EU Member States, about coverage for non-standard forms of work including self-employed, take-up rate for voluntary schemes, etc?</li> <li>What balance between survey vs administrative data is needed to produce (better) data on access to social protection?</li> <li>What collaboration between various organisations at national level is necessary to ensure progress where needed?</li> </ul>
<b>12:15 – 13:20</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>13:20 – 14:25</b>	<p><b>Presentations on measuring adequacy of social protection and making further progress in measurement and monitoring at national and EU level</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Accessible and adequate? Monitoring de-facto gaps in income support, Herwig Immervoll, Senior Economist and Head of the Unit Directorate for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs, OECD</i></li> <li><i>Indicators on the adequacy of unemployment benefits using EUROMOD-HHoT, Luis Manso, Economist and EUROMOD Developer, Joint Research Centre, European Commission</i></li> <li><i>Measuring the dynamics of social risks and social protection coverage over time with EU longitudinal microdata, Valeria Ansaloni, Senior Consultant, ICF</i></li> <li><i>Measuring new forms of employment, Sabrina Iannazzone, Statistical and policy analyst, Unit labour market and lifelong learning, Eurostat, European Commission</i></li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A</p>
<b>14:25 – 15:30</b>	<p><b>Working group discussion on measuring adequacy of social protection and making further progress in measurement and monitoring at national and EU level</b></p> <p><i>Moderated discussions in 3 parallel working groups, providing opportunities for all participants to contribute their views and comments.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How to (better) measure adequacy of social protection, in particular for those in non-standard forms of employment?</li> </ul>

- How to make measurable indicators and data more in-line with the provisions of the 2019 Recommendation? Shall we adapt/agree at EU level on specific concepts such as “adequacy”, 'appropriate income replacement', 'self-employed', etc?
- Shall we make better use of EU surveys and databases (such as EU-LFS and EU-SILC, EUROMOD, ESSPROS and MISSOC)? And do they need to be adapted to respond to the needs of monitoring social protection?

<b>15:30 – 15:55</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>15:55 – 16:20</b>	<b>Reporting back from the parallel working group discussions of day 2</b>
<b>16:20 – 16:30</b>	<b>Concluding remarks and next steps</b> <i>Closing words by the European Commission</i>
<b>16:30</b>	<b>Close</b>