

Roundtable on Strategies to promote access to employment for all people

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Making Employment Work

A Roundtable on

Strategies to promote access to employment for all people

Friday, 12 April 2019

9.30am - 01.00 pm (welcome coffee from 9.00 am)

Venue: Eurodiaconia offices, Rue Joseph II 166, 1000 Brussels (Metro Schuman)

Eurodiaconia is a network of 48 organizations in 32 European countries providing social services and working for social justice. Ensuring a social market economy that promotes inclusive growth constitutes a priority for our members who provide work integration and related social services which often target people with lower employability or requiring specific support to reach employment and social inclusion, such as unemployed persons, young people, migrants, persons with disabilities or persons with mental health issues, among others.

The proclamation of the European Pillar of Social Rights has brought to the fore the fundamental right of everyone to engage in work. Crucially, it also sets out the different elements that need to be in place in order to bring such a right into practice. Three years after the publication of the [Council Recommendation of 15 February 2016 on the integration of the long-term unemployed into the labour market](#), and in the context of its formal assessment, Eurodiaconia wishes to take stock of progress made so far and create a space for discussion and proposals for new policy initiatives that continue to support access to employment for all people, in particular for those under the umbrella category of those with “low employability”.

To this aim, it is essential to establish stronger links between work and social inclusion efforts. Therefore, the debate will emphasise the crucial role of quality social services to provide an active support to employment for all people and, together with other key stakeholders, such as employers or public services, the event will look at the policies and enabling conditions needed to boost inclusive labour markets that leave no one behind. Such messages lie at the heart of the Eurodiaconia policy paper ***Strategies to promote access to employment for all people***, which will be formally launched on the day.

Please register [HERE](#) by 28th March 2019.

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<i>09.00 - 09.30</i>	<i>Registration and welcome coffee</i>
09.30 - 09.40	Opening and Introduction by Heather Roy, Secretary General of Eurodiaconia
09.40 - 11.00	<p>Inclusion as quality. Mainstreaming the employment of disadvantaged groups in the fight against long-term unemployment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elena Weber, Diakonie Germany (confirmed) • Max Uebe, Head of Unit, Employment Strategy, DG EMPL (confirmed) • Ilze Zvidrina, Chairperson of the Employment Committee (EMCO) (confirmed) • Herwig Immervoll, Head of Employment-oriented Social Policies, OECD Directorate for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs (confirmed) <p>Q&A with the audience</p>
<i>11.00 - 11.30</i>	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 12.45	<p>Working in partnership for an effective delivery on the fight against long-term unemployment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fons Leroy, Chair of the Public Employment Services Network (confirmed) • Anna Kwiatkiewicz-Mory, BusinessEurope (confirmed) • Andrew Todd, Lifelong Learning Platform (confirmed) • Patrizia Bussi, ENSIE (confirmed) <p>Q&A with the audience</p>
12.45-01.00	Concluding remarks
<i>01.00</i>	<i>End of meeting</i>