

International Conference

Sustainable Development Goals and Gender Equality: the role of family policies and exchange of good practices

#SDG5COFACE

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Auditorium University of Amsterdam
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COFACE, the Confederation of Family Organisations in the European Union, in cooperation with the UN Focal Point on the Family (Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs), is organising an international conference on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The conference will put a spotlight on the role of family policies in the implementation of the SDGs and specifically engage in one of the most important and holistic targets of the SDGs: to achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls (Goal 5).

14.00-14.30	<i>Registration of participants</i>
14.30-15.15	<p>OPENING AND WELCOME ADDRESS. THE IMPORANCE OF FAMILY POLICY FOR ACHIEVING THE SDGs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Renata Kaczmarska, Social Affairs Officer, UN Focal Point on the Family - Annemie Drieskens, President COFACE - Dymph van den Boom, Rector of the University of Amsterdam
15.15-16.45	<p>SETTING THE SCENE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jan Vandemoortele, Independent researcher, formerly with UNDP and UNICEF - Pearl Dykstra, Professor, Erasmus University Rotterdam <p>Questions and discussion</p>
16.45-17.15	<i>Coffee break</i>
17.15-17.45	<p>STATE OF PLAY: THE NETHERLANDS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jet Bussemaker, Minister of Education, Culture and Science (tbc) - Antia Wiersma, Atria Institute on Gender Equality and Women's History
17.45-18.30	<p>THE ROLE OF THE EU IN IMPLEMENTING THE SDGs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Manuela Geleng, Acting Director, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion, European Commission - María Segura Fernández, Commission Secretary of Gender Equality General, Federation of Municipalities and Provinces, Spain and Member of the Council of European Municipalities and Regions <p>Questions and discussion</p>
18.30	<i>End of the first day</i>

20.00 A networking dinner will be organised for all the participants.

9.00-9.15	<i>Registration of participants</i>
09.15-10.45	<p>UNPAID CARE AND SHARED RESPONSIBILITIES WITHIN THE HOUSEHOLD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gerda Neyer, Associate Professor and Gender expert, Stockholm University, Sweden - Hanna Vseviiov, Head of Department of Children and Families, Ministry of Social Affairs, Estonia - Eelco Wierda, Senior policy advisor, Atria Institute on Gender Equality and Women's History, The Netherlands - Irena Kotowska, Head of the Centre for Demography, Warsaw School of Economics, Poland <p>Questions and discussion</p>
10.45-11.15	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.15-13.00	<p>SDGs AND FAMILY POLICIES: THE ROLE OF CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATIONS IN ACHIEVING THE SDGs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - James-Stuart Duffin, <i>The Bridge to successful family futures</i>, Women for Women, Czech Republic - Silvija Stanić, <i>Social services for teenage and young parents in risk of social exclusion</i>, Step by Step, Croatia - Anna Rotkirch, <i>Supporting men's different family roles: new online services in Finland</i>, Finnish Family Federation Väestöliitto, Finland - Asunción Iglesias, <i>Time use, reconciliation and shared responsibility</i>, UNAF, Spain <p>Questions and discussion</p>
13.00-14.15	<i>Lunch</i>
14.15-15.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Marion Macleod, <i>Where's Dad? Positive involvement of fathers in families from pre-birth to school</i>, Children of Scotland, UK - Joyce Knappe, Director Pro Parents, The Netherlands <p>Questions and discussion</p>

15.00-16.00	<p>ACHIEVING GENDER EQUALITY AND THE SDGs THROUGH EUROPEAN POLICIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Greet Vermeylen, Senior Programme Manager at the Working Conditions and Industrial Relations Unit, EUROFOUND - Sascha Gabizon, Executive Director WECF, Women in Europe for a Common Future - Paola Panzeri, Senior Policy and Advocacy Officer COFACE <p>Questions and discussion.</p>
16.30	<i>End of the conference</i>

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