

# TOWARDS A CHILD UNION

Reducing children's inequalities  
in the European Union



## Online Experts Meeting | Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2020

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| 15:00 – 15:05 | <b>INTRODUCTORY REMARKS</b><br><b>László Andor</b> , FEPS Secretary General<br>and former European Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion   |
| 15:05 – 15:20 | <b>TOWARDS A CHILD UNION</b><br><b>A Progressive stand to fight inequalities since early years</b><br>Presentation of research's progress by:<br><b>Christian Morabito</b> , International expert for Save the Children and the European Commission  |
| 15:20 – 16:15 | <b>PROMOTING THE CHILD UNION TO BUILD RESILIENT WELFARE SYSTEMS</b><br><b>Yuri Belfali</b> , Head of the Early Childhood and Schools Division, OECD<br><b>Kate Pickett</b> , Professor of Epidemiology, University of York (tbc)<br><b>Santina Bertulesi</b> , Deputy head of cabinet and political adviser of Commissioner Schmit<br><b>Luz Martínez Seijo</b> Spokeswoman of the Socialist Group, Spanish Congress Committee on Education<br>Chair: <b>David Rinaldi</b> , Director of Studies and Policy, FEPS and Lecturer, ULB-IEE<br>Q&A |
| 16:15 – 16:20 | <b>Break</b>   |



16:20 – 17:20

**Best Practices and Case studies: Strategies for Children**

**Urban Boljka**, Research fellow at the Social Protection Institute of the Republic of Slovenia

**Cristian Fabbi**, IBE UNESCO Senior Fellow in Early Childhood Care and Education, President of the Reggio Emilia municipal preschools

**Mónika Kepe-Holmberg**, Deputy Head of Unit, European Commission, DG EAC

**Margarita Leon**, Senior Research fellow, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona

Chair: **Michel Vandebroek**, Researcher and Associate Professor, University of Ghent

Q&A

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**CONCLUDING REMARKS**

**Agnes Jongerius**, MEP S&D Group, Head of the Dutch Delegation and Chair of PES Social Europe Network