

## FEPS Workshop – Housing week

# CONCRETE ACTIONS FOR SOCIAL AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE EU

26th January - 15:30 - 17:30

Despite the consistent inequalities in access to housing across the EU and the striking consequences that all kind of housing-pathologies have in everyday lives of its citizens, the EU has no direct competence to legislate in housing matters. However, there are areas in which the EU can legislate such as state aid law, fiscal and investment policy, consumers and competition law but also other areas with impact into housing are energy, employment, social exclusion and the regulation of online platforms.

Building on the publication "Concrete actions for Social and Affordable Housing in the EU", by Sergio Nasarre, Milan Ftacnik, Nuria Lambea Llop and Liga Rasnaca; experts and policymakers will discuss actionable points for local, regional and European actions to enhance access to a decent, inclusive and sustainable place to live.

#### **Provisional Programme**

invited speakers

#### 15:30 – 16:10 Common Challenges for Housing Policy

- Tom Copley, Deputy Mayor of Housing for London
- Michaela Kauer, Co-coordinator of the EU Urban Agenda Housing Partnership and director of the Brussels Liaison Office of the City of Vienna
- Chair: Ainara Bascuñana, Head of Communication, FEPS



#### 16:10 - 16:30 Overview of Better Practices and Lesson Learned

Presentation of the Study on "Concrete actions for Social and Affordable Housing in the EU"

- **Sergio Nasarre Aznar,** Full Professor of Civil Law and Director of the UNESCO Housing Chair at the University Rovira i Virgili
- Nuria Lambea Llop, Postdoctoral researcher at the UNESCO Housing Chair of the University Rovira i Virgili

### 16:30 - 17:30 Delivering on affordability: strategies and actions

- Bálint Misetics, Senior Policy Advisor at The Municipality of Budapest
- Milan Ftáčnik, Chairman of the Smart Solutions and Innovation Council, Former mayor of Bratislava and Professor at the Department of Applied Informatics, Comenius University in Bratislava
- Laura Colini, senior policy expert at EU Urban Innovative Actions and URBACT, researcher co-founder of TSR urban social research
- Sónia Alves, Research fellow at the Institute of Social Sciences, University of Lisbon
- Chair: David Rinaldi, Director for Studies and Policy, FEPS Q&A