



# EU Policy Webinar on the implementation of the European Child Guarantee

Tuesday 23rd January 2024

10.30-12.30 CET

Zoom





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### **Background**

EU Member States agreed through the Article 11(c) of the Council Recommendation establishing a European Child Guarantee to submit National Action Plans on the implementation of the European Child Guarantee (NAPs) by the 15<sup>th</sup> of March 2022.<sup>1</sup> These should include actions across the four identified areas notably through targeted measures for the different target groups identified considering the national circumstances.

COFACE advocates for a **two-generation approach** in policy and practice to tackle child poverty, which is based on the interrelated well-being of children and their caregivers, as highlighted in the COFACE Child Compass 2030.<sup>2</sup> This is the vision that was put forward in the Child Guarantee adopting a two-generation approach.

To support the development and implementation of the Child Guarantee, COFACE and the Association of German Family Organisations (COFACE member), has already jointly organised two expert meetings in Berlin bringing together civil society organisations and family policy-makers.<sup>3</sup>

### **Objectives of the EU policy webinar**

This webinar will bring together speakers from the EU institutions, and participants from different fields and backgrounds in order to:

- Discuss tools for monitoring and evaluation of Child Guarantee implementation;
- Foster stronger links between different policy and funding initiatives taken at EU and national level;
- Share knowledge from national and EU level in order to strengthen the policy and funding levers to boost implementation;
- Develop recommendations to feed into frameworks which are key in the implementation process such as the National Action Plan reviews, the EU Child Guarantee Monitoring and Evaluation Framework, the mid-term review of the EU Multi-annual Financial Framework, and the future of EU Cohesion policy.

Working language: English

Participants: COFACE members, EU and national policy-makers, European funding authorities, European and international NGOs

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<sup>1</sup> Article 11(c) [Council Recommendation](#) (EU) 2021/1004 of 14 June 2021 establishing a European Child Guarantee.

<sup>2</sup> COFACE Families Europe, "[Child Compass 2030 - For a Europe which invests in shaping a healthy society, environment and economy fit for children](#)", 2020.

<sup>3</sup> COFACE Families Europe, [Berlin Meeting 2022](#): Stepping up implementation of the EU Child Guarantee - National action plans in the spotlight; COFACE Families Europe, [Berlin Meeting 2020](#): The Child Guarantee – A tool to tackle family poverty?

## PROGRAMME

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### Webinar co-moderators:

Elizabeth Gosme, Director, COFACE Families Europe  
Bettina Guigui, Senior Communication Officer, COFACE Families Europe

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10.25-10.30      **Tune in and virtual coffee**

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10.30-10.40      **Welcome and introduction**  
Sven Iversen, Vice-President of COFACE Families Europe, member of the German steering committee on the Child Guarantee

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10.40-11.30      **Key tools for monitoring policy implementation**  
The aim of this session is to discuss the actions and tools being set up for monitoring and evaluating the implementation of the NAPs, as well as progress being made to date in different countries.

Speakers:

- Rute Guerra, Chair of the EU Social Protection Committee
- Mathis Porchez, Policy Officer, Child Guarantee, DG EMPL, European Commission

Q&A - Webinar participants are invited to share their thoughts, questions and recommendations

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11.30-12.20      **EU funding developments**  
The aim of this session is to understand how EU funds are being used to boost implementation of the NAPs (5 countries are obliged to earmark ESF+ funds for the Child Guarantee), highlighting key examples. This is set in the context of discussions on the future of EU cohesion policy and the mid-term review of the MFF.

Speakers:

- Jeroen Jutte, Head of Unit, European Social Fund +, DG EMPL, European Commission
- Ciresica Feyer, Deputy Head of Unit, Labour market, Education, Health & Social services, DG REFORM, European Commission

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12.20-12.30      **Concluding remarks: synergies between Child Guarantee policy & funding actions**  
Annemie Drieskens, President, COFACE Families Europe

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