

EASPD Policy Café on the European Commission's proposals on European Disability Strategy & Adequate Minimum Wages

4 February 2021, 14h00-16h00 CEST

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Policy Café is our new way to update EASPD members on current developments in specific EU policies and to collect feedback from them. This feedback is used by the EASPD policy team when responding to EU Consultations on these policies.

In our next Policy Café we will address two European Commission proposals on

- The **European Disability Strategy 2020-2030**, which the European Commission is expected to launch Mid-January. This proposal will mark the beginning of negotiations between the European Parliament, Council of the European Union and the European Commission on the EDS for the upcoming decade.
- A [Directive on Adequate Minimum Wages in the European Union](#), launched in October 2020 and currently being negotiated upon. The Directive could affect disability services in areas related both to staff wages and the wages or revenue of persons with disabilities.
 - Read [EASPD Discussion Note on Adequate Minimum Wages in the EU](#).
- If the EDS launch is delayed and not available by the Policy Café, this section will be replaced by an exchange on the European Commission's [European approach for micro-credentials](#), which is relevant for both social services staff and for VET and other training services. If not discussed in this Policy Café, it will be discussed in a future policy café.
 - Read [EASPD Discussion Note on Micro-credentials](#).

We invite our members to stop by at any point during the session to provide their feedback on either of these initiatives.

Please note that this consultation is for EASPD members only

Time	Session
14h00 – 14h05	Introduction by Moderator: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thomas Bignal, Policy Manager, EASPD
14h05 – 15h00	Consultation on the EC Proposal for a European Disability Strategy (or micro-credentials as back-up if EDS unpublished)
14h05-14h20	Brief Presentation on the Proposal for a European Disability Strategy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Irene Bertana, Senior Policy Officer, EASPD
14h20-15h00	Open floor for feedback

	<p><i>We welcome your response on any of the below questions and any other feedback you may have.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does the European Commission's proposal respond to your needs? • How can the Proposal become impactful for your services?
15h -15h05	Quick Break
15h05-16h00	Consultation on the European Commission proposal on Adequate Minimum Wages
15h00-15h15	<p>Brief Presentation on the Adequate Minimum Wages Proposal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thomas Bignal, Policy Manager, EASPD
15h15-16h00	<p>Open floor for feedback</p> <p><i>We welcome your response on any of the below questions and any other feedback you may have.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To which extent, will the adequate Min. Wage Proposal impact staff wages in your field? What opportunities or challenges may appear? • To which extent, will the adequate Min. Wage Proposal impact salaries and compensation received by persons with disabilities in their employment or work place? What opportunities or challenges may appear?