



Conference "In-Work Poverty - myth or reality in Slovak families? "

The motto of the conference: "Man becomes great exactly in the degree in which he works for the welfare of his fellow-men." *M.K.Gándhí*

Aim of the conference:

The goal of the conference is to raise the visibility of everyone's right to live in dignity in the EU. That is why it will be held on the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty. At the same time, it helps to inform citizens about the current situation in Europe and Slovakia, in-work poverty, and how easy it is to fall into poverty. It draws attention to the need to connect and engage with people experiencing poverty, with poverty experts in the preparatory, implementation and evaluation phases, as well as the need for stronger public policy intervention in improving the living conditions of the lower 40% of the population in Slovakia.

Conference concept:

The conference is intended as a dialogue between poverty experts, people with experience of poverty (PeP), trade unionists, public administration experts (MoLSA and R, MoEYS) responsible for the relevant public policy area, and representatives of civil society. It should result in a statement - a recommendation Under the Europe 2020 Strategy.

All 15 of the largest European networks / organizations and 3 national pilot alliances in Bulgaria, Denmark, Ireland, which are members of the European Anti-Poverty Network (EAPN), are involved in the work of the Alliance for a Democratic Social Sustainable European Semester. This broad coalition connects Europe's largest non-profit organizations and trade unions with member organizations at European, national and local levels in the EU. It makes it possible for civic associations to participate in EU policy-making and thus contribute to progress towards the Europe 2020 Strategy goals.

Place: Municipal Office - Nitra, meeting room

Date: Thursday 17 October 2019

Organizer: Slovak Network Against Poverty (SAPN)

Co-organizers:

Working poverty - p. Kuruc

Center for Family - Nitra - Ing.Mgr. Dobroslava Baranová

Employment Institute - p. M.Páleník

Oasis: Father Peter Gombita

Christian Family Forum: p. Kuzár

The programme:

8.30 - 9.30 Registration

9.30 - 9.40 Welcome speech on International Day for the Eradication of Poverty (Mr. Zuzana Kusá, SAS)

9.40 - 13.00 Invited lectures and discussion

Practical examples of the risk of poverty in working families, experience of more than 10 years of work with various family situations in the Family Center - Nitra, Ing.Mgr. Dobroslava Baranová

How to help people remove obstacles that prevent them from living with dignity, from employment, from finding a home. Mgr. Peter Gombita, Oasis

Personal stories of people experiencing poverty (Oasis - hope for everyone)

In-work poverty in our country. p. Kuruc, In-work poverty

Poverty Analysis of the European Anti-Poverty Network (EAPN) (extreme poverty, poverty in the EU as measured, tackled, Poverty Watch project) - A.Szuhová - Member of EUISG

Social trap - cost and way out. What is the main cause of poverty? What is the impact of government policies? Nationally and in the EU?

Ing. Michal Páleník, Employment Institute

11. 30 - 12.40 Panel discussion I: **Multidimensional poverty and a comprehensive approach**

Karel Schwarz - Chairman of EAPN Czech Republic and invited experts. Approaches to poverty reduction in Slovakia. System assistance with interested European (EC, ESF, EAPN, etc.) and national institutions and self-government - ZMOS, state administration, NGOs, foundations, etc.

12.40 - 13.00 Conclusion. Background and proposals.