

National PeP Coordinators Meeting

23.07.2021



- EU PEP Meeting 2021
- Updates on the budget
- Guidelines for preparation and deadlines
- Future of EU PeP Meetings starting with 2022
- What needs to change?

EU PEP Meeting 2021



Updates on the budget

- The EC is still negotiating with Destree to reduce the budget
- We will have a final decision on what is included in the budget in early September
- The only cost cut is for banners/roll-ups but T-shirts were kept
- Important question for the budget: are your networks able to advance the payment for local travel?
- Still some questions about logistics around how to organize meals
- Interpretation for 15 languages is still on the table

National preparations

First draft of the guidelines is ready, I need to organize feedback from members

How many topics should we prepare for the meeting?

Link with the Poverty Watch is very important: talk to your EUISG member

Topics of the 2021 meeting

1) Access to Housing;

2) Access to adequate Minimum Income

3) Access to good quality health care services/Digitalisation and the access to services

- look at them/analyse them in an **integrated** way and not a fragmented one as policy makers do
- discuss them in the context of COVID, trying to understand how COVID changed these things but at the same time not forgetting that these issues existed long before COVID and they have been ignored by policy makers.

Preparatory work for the meeting needs to start as soon as possible!!!!

Deadline to submit the report is 30.09.2021

EU PEP Meeting before 2021

- Untill now, the budget for the EU PeP Meeting split in 2: budget for preparation of the meeting (with EAPN) & budget for the event (with the EC)
- Total cost of the event: 145 000 €

EU PEP Meeting after 2021

- DG Employment decided not to be involved directly in the organisation of the EU PEP Meeting
- If EAPN would like to continue with the organisation of the meeting it needs to include it in its budget
- Important political moment for EAPN that requires mobilisation of and support from EAPN's political body

Proposals from PeP NCs

- EAPN needs to continue to organise the PeP Meetings – as the only platform that provides a direct space for PeP to voice out their concerns
- Plan to have in 2022 a face to face meeting like in 2019, also in the future it is important to keep the meetings face to face
- In the future we should think of re-shaping the PeP Meeting but right now we need stability, we cannot make dramatic changes
- We have to try to better integrate the EU PeP Meeting in our overall work and into our advocacy strategy by rethinking the impact we are having with the EU PeP Meeting