# Programme

# Regional Social Security Forum for Europe

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At the invitation of the **Estonian National Social Insurance Board** 



# **ISSA Regional Social Security Forum for Europe**

Tallinn, Estonia, 2-3 May 2022

#### **PROGRAMME**

All plenary sessions and the multilingual parallel sessions are also available online. Please adapt the timing of the sessions to your time zone. This agenda is indicating the timing in Tallinn, Estonia (UTC/GMT+3 or EEST).

Sunday, 1 May 2022

15:00–18:00 **Registration of participants** 

Monday, 2 May 2022

#### SHAPING THE FUTURE OF SOCIAL SECURITY IN EUROPE

The objective of the first day of the Forum will be to identify and discuss the key social security challenges and response strategies in Europe. Through a series of plenary sessions featuring keynote presentations and parallel panel discussions, priorities including the long-term effects of the pandemic, ageing societies and labour market transformations will be addressed.

07:30–08:45 **Registration of participants** 

09:00–10:00 **Opening ceremony** 

Black Box

During the opening ceremony, dignitaries will welcome the participants on behalf of the Government of Estonia, the International Social Security Association (ISSA) and the host organization, the Estonian National Social Insurance Board. This session will also include a national presentation of social security in Estonia and an introduction to the agenda and objectives of the Regional Social Security Forum for Europe.

10:00–10:30 *Coffee break and networking* 

10:30–12:30 Key priorities for social security in Europe: Progress, challenges and solutions

Black Box

Based on a new ISSA report, this session will take stock of recent developments in social security in Europe and identify strategies to address the most important current social security priorities. This will in particular include social security adaptations in the context of demographic changes, labour market transformations and technological developments but also touch upon

branch-specific measures in health, pensions, unemployment, work injury and family schemes. The impact of the pandemic on social security in the region will also be highlighted at this session that will set the stage for the subsequent discussions at the Forum.

#### Moderator

Marcelo Abi-Ramia Caetano Secretary General International Social Security Association

#### **Keynote speakers**

Marcelo Abi-Ramia Caetano Secretary General International Social Security Association

Kenichi Hirose Senior Social Protection Specialist International Labour Organization

#### Panellists – Panel 1

Monika Queisser
Head, Division of Social Policies
Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development

Valdis Zagorskis

Deputy Head of Unit, Directorate General Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion European Commission

#### Panellists - Panel 2

Outi Antila
Director General
Social Insurance Institution
Finland

Isabelle Sancerni Chairman of the Board National Family Allowances Fund France

Gundula Roβbach
President
German Federal Pension Insurance
Germany

Nursulu Kemel General Director State Social Insurance Fund Kazakhstan 12:30–14:00 *Lunch and networking* 

At the invitation of the Estonian National Social Insurance Board

# 14:00–15:15 **COVID-19** and social security in Europe: Long-term effects and transition to a new normal

Black Box

Social security systems have played a pivotal role in reducing the health, social and economic impact of the pandemic. After emergency measures were taken rapidly at the beginning of the crisis, on-going adjustments, extensions and adaptations of special measures in the context of uncertainty and a much longer than anticipated crisis situation characterized the next phase. As societies look towards overcoming the pandemic, this session will analyse strategies to phase out special measures and highlight responses to challenges arising from the long-term effect of the pandemic on public expectations, financial sustainability and labour markets.

#### Moderator

Jens Schremmer Head, Office of the Secretary General International Social Security Association

### Keynote speaker

Monika Queisser
Head, Division of Social Policies
Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development

#### **Panellists**

Alexander Burz
Deputy Office Manager
Social Insurance Funds
Austria

Benoit Collin
General Administrator
National Institute for Health and Disability Insurance
Belgium

Yolita Vlaevska-Kirova

Head of International Cooperation Department, Directorate Public Communications and International Cooperation
National Social Security Institute
Bulgaria

Gregor Kemper
Director of the Department of International Relations
German Social Accident Insurance
Germany

John McKeon
Secretary General
Department of Social Protection
Ireland

15:15–15:45 *Coffee break and networking* 

15:45–17:00 Social security for an ageing population: Sustainability, activity and new needs

Black Box

Ageing populations remain one of the key challenges for social security systems in Europe that cannot be addressed within one social security branch alone. Promoting activity, active ageing and longer working lives, sustaining pension and health care financing and meeting long-term care needs are interconnected response strategies and require holistic approaches. By reviewing the results of past reforms and analysing recent social security measures, the session will identify strategies towards social security for an ageing population.

#### Moderator

Joachim Breuer
President
International Social Security Association

#### **Keynote speaker**

Valdis Zagorskis

Deputy Head of Unit, Directorate General Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion European Commission

### **Panellists**

Fabrice Gombert
President
National Sickness Insurance Fund
France

Ádám Rézmovits

Head, Data Asset Management and Business Intelligence Solutions Department Hungarian State Treasury Hungary Gertruda Uścińska
President
Social Insurance Institution
Poland

Tiago Alexandre Freitas Mendes Preguiça Director General General Directorate for Social Security Portugal

# 19:30–23:00 Presentation of the ISSA Good Practice Award for Europe / Onsite only Gala dinner

At the invitation of the Estonian National Social Insurance Board Seaplane Harbour Museum, Tallinn, Estonia

#### Tuesday, 3 May 2022

#### SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION IN A DYNAMIC CONTEXT

The second day of the Forum will focus on adaptations, good practices and innovations by social security institutions in the context of the pandemic, evolving public expectations and technological change. An introductory plenary session will be followed by topical and practical parallel sessions featuring 24 good practice presentations by ISSA member institutions in the region.

# 09:00–10:30 Institutional transformation and the future of social security management Black Box

Rapid innovation, increasing automation, evolving public expectations, and changes in the world of work require social security institutions to adopt integrated strategies to institutional transformation. Appropriate leadership, human resources strategies and governance mechanisms play a key role in enabling this transformation. This plenary session will discuss these elements from the point of view of the senior management of social security institutions from across the region.

### Moderator and keynote speaker

Raul Ruggia-Frick
Director, Social Security Development
International Social Security Association

#### **Panellists**

Himalay Mamishov
Chairperson of the Board
State Social Protection Fund under the Ministry of Labour and Social
Protection of the Population of the Republic of Azerbaijan
Azerbaijan

Jean-Marc Vandenbergh General Administrator National Employment Office Belgium Alexandros Varveris
First Deputy Governor
Electronic National Social Security Fund
Greece

Julita Varanauskienė

Director

State Social Insurance Fund Board of the Republic of Lithuania under the Ministry of Social Security and Labour

Lithuania

Thore Hansen
Senior Adviser, Department of Analysis and Research
NAV
Norway

10:30–11:00 *Coffee break and networking* 

# 11:00–12:30 Parallel sessions: Innovative approaches to delivering excellence in social security administration

Zooming in on challenges and solutions for specific social security branches and priority cross-cutting topics, two rounds of parallel sessions will provide unique opportunities for focussed exchanges and networking.

# Parallel session 1 (Multilingual) Enhancing client orientation, automation and integrity Black Box

#### **Moderator**

Elena Ţîbîrnă Director General National Office of Social Insurance Republic of Moldova

# **Good practices**

# Building a network of administrative mediators within the network of the Family Allowances Funds

Olivier Corbobesse
Director, European and International Relations and Cooperation
National Family Allowances Fund
France

E-assistant: Assistant in receiving e-services

Lauris Lenerts
Head, Information Systems Development Unit
State Social Insurance Agency
Latvia

### Automation of retirement pension procedure (Alfa Premium)

César Luis Gómez Garcillán

Assistant Director-General for Benefits Management, National Social Security Institute

Federation of Administrative Bodies of Spanish Social Security Spain

### Automatic and risk-based review of activity reports

Andreas Malmgren
Operation Controller, Unemployment Insurance Unit
Public Employment Service
Sweden

# Parallel Session 2 (English) / Onsite only Strengthening preventive approaches and active ageing

Stalker

#### Moderator

Zoran Panovic
Acting Duty Director
Institute for Social Insurance
Serbia

#### **Good practices**

## DOST: Social protection for 65+

Farid Mammadov
Chairperson of the Board
Agency for Sustainable and Operational Social Security (DOST)
Azerbaijan

# RV Fit: The preventive health care web portal for German Federal Pension Insurance

Karin Klopsch
Head of Division, Rehabilitation Department
German Federal Pension Insurance
Germany

#### Information on risks for homeworkers

Loredana Quaranta Professional Chemist Barbara Manfredi

Coordinator, Technical Consultancy for Occupational Risk Assessment and Prevention

National Institute for Insurance against Accidents at Work Italy

# Accredited Vision Zero Training Programme: A collaboration between ISSA and IOSH

Alan Stevens

Head of Strategic Engagement, Global Engagement and Partnerships Institution of Occupational Safety and Health United Kingdom

# Parallel Session 3 (French) / Onsite only Improving service provision and social impact

Koridor Klubi

#### Moderator

Claudina Mascetta
Head, International Organizations Division
Federal Social Insurance Office
Switzerland

#### **Good practices**

### Ensuring a high-quality service in times of crisis

Guy Durinck
Director, Internal Control and Process Management Directorate
National Employment Office
Belgium

# Automating the direct payment of large-scale categorical aid in times of crisis while ensuring ongoing evaluation by policy-makers

Olivier Maillebuau
Secretary General
Council for the Social Protection of Self-Employed Workers
France

# Regulation of health cover: Methodological corpus and technical data

Arnaud Emériau

Director of International Strategy and of the EN3S Institute for Advanced Studies in Social Protection

EN3S - National School of Social Security France

# Establishment of a family benefits scheme for self-employed workers: Implementation of law No. 1.493 of 8 July 2020 establishing a family benefits scheme for the self-employed

Bertrand Crovetto
Director
Monaco Social Security Funds
The Principality of Monaco

# Parallel Session 4 (English) / Onsite only Strengthening communication and outreach

Vaïke Saal

#### Moderator

Astrit Hado
Director General
Social Insurance Institute
Albania

### **Good practices**

# A common approach to communication to highlight the engagement of the French social security system during the crisis and to ensure a better image in the long term

Virginie Mallard-Desgoutte
Directrice, Innovation et Prospective
Union of National Social Security Funds
France

# Sector-specific recommendations for action by accident insurance providers in Germany

Gregor Kemper
Director of the Department of International Relations
German Social Accident Insurance
Germany

# The National Insurance Institute's response to the coronavirus pandemic

Netanela Barkali

Director of Information Management and International Relations Department, Research and Planning Division National Insurance Institute Israel

# Malta's social security response to the COVID-19 challenge

Grazio Barbara

Director General, Social Security Department Ministry for Social Policy and Children's Rights Malta

#### 12:30–14:00 *Lunch and networking*

At the invitation of the Estonian National Social Insurance Board

# 14:00–15:30 Parallel sessions: Innovative approaches to delivering excellence in social security administration (continued)

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## Parallel session 5 (Multilingual) Improving service delivery and social impact Black Box

#### **Moderator**

Karen De Sutter General Administrator ad interim Auxiliary Unemployment Benefits Fund Belgium

### **Good practices**

# Social debt issuance by the National Occupational Union for Employment in Industry and Commerce (Unédic)

Florian Rabasse

Treasurer Front Office

National Occupational Union for Employment in Industry and Commerce

France

# Provision of digital employment services to employers and jobseekers across Dublin region

Stephen Hanna

**Assistant Principal Officer** 

Department of Social Protection

Ireland

### No more lack in IT competencies: Superusers

Julita Varanauskienė

Director

State Social Insurance Fund Board of the Republic of Lithuania under the Ministry of Social Security and Labour

Lithuania

### Importass: The new portal of Spain's General Treasury of Social Security

Andrés Harto Martínez

Director General

General Treasury of Social Security

Spain

## Parallel Session 6 (English) / Onsite only Enhancing coverage and facilitating access

Stalker

#### Moderator

Janne Metsämäki Managing Director Employment Fund Finland

#### **Good practices**

# Service for employers: Social insurance contributions in international situations

Tiina Ahonen
Special Adviser

Finnish Centre for Pensions

Finland

# Personal services and domestic work: Towards a formal economy and the social protection of workers

Bruno Grégoire

Deputy Director for European and International Relations, Directorate General Central Agency of Social Security Bodies

France

### An occupational safety and health web app for seasonal workers

Arnd Spahn

Chairman of the Board

Social Insurance for Agriculture, Forestry and Horticulture

Germany

### Implementation of Transition to Formality Programme (TFP)

Bariş Gencal

Senior Social Security Expert, EU and Foreign Relations Department Social Security Institution

Turkey

# Parallel Session 7 (English) / Onsite only Strengthening social security through inter-institutional collaboration Vaïke Saal

#### Moderator

Merilin Truuväärt
Service Designer
Public Sector Innovation Team of Estonia
Estonia

#### **Good practices**

# Monitoring the social impact of the COVID-19 crisis: An interagency network approach

Michiel Segaert
Deputy Director, Department of Statistics, Budget and Studies
National Employment Office

Belgium

### Introduction of e-Sick Leave and its use during COVID-19 pandemic

František Boháček

General Director

Czech Social Security Administration

Czechia

Hamburg Airport – Occupational health and preventive measures in ground handling: A model project for cooperation between social insurance institutions

Nadja Schilling
Head of Research and Projects
German Social Accident Insurance
Germany

### ZUS statistical portal as a platform for universal data sharing

Zofia Czepulis-Rutkowska
Director, International Cooperation Department
Social Insurance Institution
Poland

15:30–16:00 *Coffee break and networking* 

16:00–16:45 Celebrating achievements, looking to the future

Black Box

This session will feature the technical presentation of the winning entry of the Good Practice Award Competition for Europe 2022, and highlight recent achievements of social security institutions in the region.

16:45–17:00 Closing ceremony

Black Box