



# The EU Mutual Learning Programme in Gender Equality

## Support to lone parents

France, 21-22 October 2015

### Draft Agenda



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## 20 October 2015

### **Hotel Concorde Montparnasse Paris**

Place de Catalogne  
40, rue du Commandant Mouchotte  
75014 Paris

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## 21 October 2015

**Venue:** Ministry of Social Affairs, Health and Women's Rights,  
Social Cohesion General Directorate  
10, Place des Cinq Martyrs du Lycée Buffon  
75014 Paris  
**Room 2154 R (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)**

Discussion facilitated by Monika Natter, ÖSB Consulting

- 09:00 – 09:30      **Welcome**  
by Jean-Philippe Viquant, Director General of Social Cohesion General Directorate, Ministry of Social Affairs, Health and Women's Rights, France  
  
by Katarzyna Ptak, European Commission, DG Justice, Gender Equality Unit
- 09:30 – 09:40      **Opening and introduction to the seminar**  
by Monika Natter, ÖSB Consulting  
and  
Alexis Rinckenbach, Head of Unit, European and International Affairs Unit, Social Cohesion General Directorate, Ministry of Social Affairs, Health and Women's Rights France
- 09:40 – 09:55      **Presentation of the French policy context**  
by Catherine Lesterpt, Deputy Head of Division of Childhood and Family, Social Cohesion General Directorate, Ministry of Social Affairs, Health and Women's Rights, France
- 09:55 – 10:00      Questions and answers

### **Session 1: Financial support structures for lone parents**

- 10:00 – 10:15      **Financial support to lone parents in France**  
Cover against non-payment of alimony (GIPA)  
by Joël Chassaing, Deputy Director, Family Allowance Office (CAF), Belfort and  
Barbora Brlayova, Technical Adviser, Directorate of Family and Social Policy at the National Family Allowance Office (CNAF)
- 10:15 – 10:30      Questions and answers
- 10:30 – 11:00      *Coffee Break*

**Session 2: Accompanying measures to support lone parents in the labour market**

- 11:00 – 11:15      **Non-financial support to lone parents in France**  
Reintegration into professional life - child care services for lone parents  
by Mara Maudet, Director General, Institute of Education and Practical Training (*IEPC*)  
and Nathalie Presson, Deputy Director General, Institute of Education and Practical Training (*IEPC*)
- 11:15 – 11:30      Questions and answers
- 11:30 – 11:45      **Assessment of the French policy**  
by Anne Eydoux, University of Rennes 2 and Centre for Employment Studies
- 11:45 – 12:30      *Questions and answers followed by discussion*
- 12:30 – 14:30      *L u n c h*  
Restaurant « Le Petit Journal »  
13, Rue du Commandant Mouchotte - 75014 Paris
- 14:30 – 14:45      **Initiatives to support lone parents in the labour market in Germany**  
by Heidi Holzhauser, Head of Staff BCA - Competence Centre for Equal Opportunities in the Job Market, Federal Employment Agency
- 14:45 – 15:00      **Assessment of the German practices**  
by Hannah Zagel, University of Hamburg
- 15:00 – 17:00      *Questions and answers followed by general discussion*
- 18:00 – 19:00      Reception at the State Secretariat for the Family, Elderly People and Adult Care, Ministry of Social Affairs, Health and Women's Rights  
14, avenue Duquesne  
75007 Paris

## 22 October 2015

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| 09:00 – 09:10 | <b>Opening</b><br>by Monika Natter, ÖSB Consulting  |
| 09:10 – 12:00 | <b>Discussion with participating countries</b> (in two working groups): input by participating countries' officials and independent experts and discussion.<br><i>Including a coffee break</i>    |
| 12:00 – 12:30 | <b>Feedback from working groups in plenary session and discussion</b>   |
| 12:30 – 12:45 | <b>Closing remarks from the European Commission</b><br>by Katarzyna Ptak, DG Justice, Gender Equality Unit  |
| 12:45 – 13:00 | <b>Closing remarks from the host country</b><br>by Jean-Philippe Vinquant, Director General of Social Cohesion General Directorate, Ministry of Social Affairs, Health and Women's Rights, France |
| 13:00         | <i>End of the seminar followed by snack lunch</i>   |