

Access to childcare and home care services across Europe

Programme

19th September 2019

Venue:

The Economic and Social Research
Institute
Whitaker Square
Sir John Rogerson's Quay
Dublin 2

**Closing Date for Registration:
13th September, 2019**



Context and Purpose of the Seminar

Researchers from the ESRI's Social Research Division will present new work on the topic of childcare and home care provision across 11 European countries. This research is funded by the Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection.

It examines 11 countries and four welfare states across Europe and their access to care services. The study is a follow-on from research published in February 2019, which examined unmet needs for childcare and home care in Ireland. It focuses on childcare for parents and home care for people with disabilities or illnesses.

Programme

09.30 Registration and tea/coffee

10.00 Welcome

[Alan Barrett](#), Director, Economic and Social Research Institute

10.10 Opening Address

[Regina Doherty, T.D.](#), Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection

Session 1: Access to Care Services

Chair: [Helen Russell](#), Research Professor,
Economic and Social Research Institute

10.30 *Access to Childcare and Home Care Services across Europe*

[Ivan Privalko](#), [Bertrand Maître](#), [Dorothy Watson](#) and [Raffaele Grotti](#)
(Economic and Social Research Institute)

10.55 *Discussant:* [Helen Johnston](#), National Economic & Social Council

11.05 Q & A

Session 2: International Developments in Access to Care Services

11.20 Chair: [John Conlon](#), Assistant Secretary, Department of Employment Affairs & Social Protection

Accessibility, Quality and User Satisfaction in Childcare and Home Care

[Daniel Molinuevo](#), Research Officer, Social Policies, European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions

12.00 Reflections: [John Dunne](#), Family Carer's Ireland.

12.10 Q & A

12.25 Conference Close

Organising Bodies

The [Department of Employment Affairs & Social Protection](#) has overall responsibility for developing, co-ordinating and driving the Government's updated *National Action Plan for Social Inclusion 2007-2017*. Its [Social Inclusion Division](#) has a specific remit to monitor poverty trends, including progress on national poverty targets, and to analyse the impact of policies on poverty and social exclusion.

The [Economic and Social Research Institute](#) (ESRI) is one of Europe's leading research centres in the social sciences. Its main focus is research on economic and social change in Ireland in the new global context. The ESRI produces research that contributes to understanding economic and social change and that informs public policy-making and civil society in Ireland and throughout the European Union.

Booking

Attendance at the event is free but must be pre-booked. There are a limited number of places available so early booking is advised. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. In the event of a high demand, late-booking participants may be placed on a waiting list.

To book a place, see our [booking form](#), and register by **17.00 on 13th September, 2019**.

If you have any special requests or needs, please specify these on the booking form and we will try to accommodate you, subject to receiving sufficient notice.

If you have any queries about booking, please contact our bookings manager by email to: conference@esri.ie or by telephone at +353 1 8632099.

Venue

The conference takes place in the ESRI which is located at:-

Whitaker Square
Sir John Rogerson's Quay
Dublin 2.
Telephone +353 1 8632000
Web site: www.esri.ie

Getting there

The ESRI is located at Whitaker Square, Sir John Rogerson's Quay, Dublin 2. This is a pedestrian only square that is not immediately visible from the surrounding streets. There are pedestrian entrances, all of which are wheelchair accessible, from Sir John Rogerson's Quay (beside the large white O2 building), from Cardiff Lane (directly beside the Clayton Hotel) and from Hanover Street East (just east of the junction with Lower Erne Street). The red arrows on the map below indicate the wheelchair accessible pedestrian entry points.

Public Transport

The nearest Dart is Pearse Station in Westland Row and the nearest Luas (red line) is Mayor Square. The Dublin Bus routes 1, 2, 3, 50, 56a, 77 and 77a all operate to either Pearse Street or Grand Canal Dock, which are close by. See the [Dublin Bus website](#) for details of accessible bus routes and timetables.

Parking

There is on-street paid parking in Cardiff Lane, Hanover Street East and Erne Street. There are some public parking spaces reserved for accessible parking in the Dublin 2 area. The nearest public car park is the Q-Park at Grand Canal Square. The entrance is on Chimney View, just off Pearse Street. Other car parks are available at: Connolly Station, Jury's Inn Dublin Custom House, and the National College of Ireland. Unfortunately, as all parking spaces in the area are public spaces, we cannot guarantee the availability of parking spaces on the day.

Accommodation

The nearest hotel is the [Clayton Hotel Cardiff Lane](#). Accommodation must be booked directly **with the hotel and will be at the expense of the delegate.**

Websites for Conference Publications

The main conference documents and speakers' presentations will be available online after the event. It will be possible to download copies of the report, research briefing and presentations from <http://www.welfare.ie/en/Pages/Social-Inclusion-Division.aspx> and www.esri.ie.