

EPR EPSR Day Study Visit

Home-care and Community-based services

16th-17th November 2021

Mariaberg e.V.

Klosterhof 1, 72501 Gammertingen, Germany

Background

The European Pillar of Social Rights (EPSR, sometimes referred to as the “Social Pillar” or just the “Pillar”) is a key social initiative launched by the European Commission in November 2017 aimed at improving the promotion and protection of social rights of EU residents. It is structured in 20 principles divided in three categories, referring to equal opportunities and access to labour market, fair working conditions and social protection and inclusion. The Pillar does not give the European Union more power or competencies but is designed to be a tool that promotes social rights with joint collaboration and responsibility of the European institutions together with Member States, civil society, social actors and social partners.

The European Pillar of Social Rights Action Plan

On the 4th of March 2021, the European Commission launched the Action Plan for the European Pillar of Social Rights. The Action Plan is a window of opportunity aligned with the UN Sustainable Development Goals to take firm steps in the implementation of the 20 principles included in the Pillar. The Action Plan designates a political willingness to work with a more global perspective and towards meeting the SDGs 2030 Agenda goals. The Action Plan presents three targets to be achieved by 2030: equal opportunities and access to the labour market, fair working conditions, and social protection and inclusion. The targets are accompanied by clear actions and deadlines. Services play a key role in the success of the Pillar. Many of those principles directly relate to the delivery of services, employment, education and rights of persons with disabilities. Affordable, quality, accessible and available services are needed for the rights to become a reality in practice but also, service providers have a protagonist role ensuring these social rights are met for people in the EU.

The European Pillar of Social Rights on Community-based Services

Principle 18 of the European Pillar of Social Rights states that “Everyone has the right to affordable long-term care services of good quality, in particular home-care and community-based services.” In order to achieve this goal, the Pillar also affirms that caregivers have the right to suitable leave, flexible working arrangements and access to care services.



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Objectives of the meeting

To showcase the work EPR Members do that links to those principles, to learn from each other's good practices, to discuss the challenges and potential solutions in those fields, including the role of government, funders and the EU, EPR implements for the third year the EPR-EPSR Day.

For more information about the Pillar including descriptions of the different principles, you can consult:

The [Position Paper of Social Services Europe 'The Role of Social Services in the implementation of the European Pillar of Social Rights' \(2018\)](#)

The [European Pillar of Social Rights and service delivery for persons with disabilities – EPR Analytical paper \(2017\)](#)

The Action Plan <https://op.europa.eu/webpub/empl/european-pillar-of-social-rights/en/>

Day 1: 16th November

Agenda

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| 13.00 - 14.30 | Mariaberg: Introduction, background and overview visit |
| 14.30 - 15.00 | Update on the EPSR Action Plan and what it means for EPR members |
| 15.00 - 16.30 | Exchange on Home care and Community Services
EPR Members contribution |
| 19.00 | Social gathering and dinner |

Day 2: 17th November

Agenda

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| 9.00 - 12.00 | Mariaberg: Homecare and Community-based services
Part I Early intervention: Family, diagnosis
Part II Leisure activities pwd/ Living independently buying support from Mariaberg |
| 12.00 - 13.00 | Lunch |
| 13.00 - 14.00 | Debate on Recommendations – what should be recommended to policy makers & funders to support community-based services? |



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14.00- 15.00 Conclusions of the study visit: takes away

Contacts

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Practicalities:

A) Travel to Tübingen

- **ARRIVE IN BY PLANE**

Stuttgart Airport: is the international airport of Stuttgart, the capital of the German state of Baden-Württemberg. Once landed you can go to **Tübingen** by:

- **Bus**: The Stuttgart Airport Bus Terminal (SAB) has a total of 18 bus platforms, 14 of which are for long-distance bus services and 4 for local transport. The ticket will cost you around 4-6€.
- **Mariaberg's pick up**: Mariaberg will organise a transfer from Stuttgart Airport on November 16th at 11.15 a.m. to Tübingen.

Frankfurt Airport: If you are travelling to Frankfurt Airport you can take the fast train to Stuttgart (ICE) and there you have to change the train to Tübingen Main Station. Here it is very important that you book the train in advance, for that you can use <https://www.bahn.com/en/view/offers/index.shtml> or <https://www.omio.com/> where you can find good connections and cheap trains. There will be trains every 1-2 hours and it lasts 2,5 hours to Tübingen. We also recommend you to do a seat reservation, cause the trains normally are overcrowded.

- **ARRIVE IN BY TRAIN**

Stuttgart Central Station (Stuttgart Hauptbahnhof) is the primary railway station in Stuttgart and the largest regional and long-distance railway station of the city. From the Stuttgart Central Station you can go to **Tübingen** by:

- **Train**: the trip will cost around 18€ and you will have to change trains at Plochingen station. Mariaberg recommends reaching Tübingen by train as it is easier than by bus.
- **Mariaberg's pick up**: Mariaberg will organise a transfer from Stuttgart Main Station on November 16th at 10.30 a.m. to Tübingen.

B) Accommodation

Rooms have been pre-booked for EPR members at:

Ibis Styles Tübingen



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Friedrichstrasse 20,
72070 Tübingen, Germany

[Website](#)

97€/night

Mariaberg has prebooked the rooms in the Ibis – Styles Hotel in Tübingen. It's very close to the city center and to the main station. It has been prebooked one night in the hotel from the 16th to the 17th. If you want to stay longer, you have to look on your own.

In the evening there will be a dinner in Tübingen which is a very lovely city. We will choose something traditional – with also possibilities of vegan or vegetarian dishes.

C) Transfer to Mariaberg

Mariaberg will organise the transfers to their installations. The transfer times would be:

- Stuttgart Main Station: 10.30 a.m.
- Stuttgart Airport: 11.15 a.m.
- Tübingen Main Station: 12.00 p.m.



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