

INVITATION

Building inclusive labour markets in Europe

Wednesday 11 March 2015

14.00 – 17.00

SCIENCE 14 Atrium, Rue de Science 14, Brussels

Currently, many European countries are struggling with the labour market consequences of the economic crisis that has held Europe in its grip since 2008. There are signs of recovery, but the recovery seems to by-pass the most vulnerable groups on the labour market such as migrants, youth, disabled people and older workers. The INSPIRES research project is an EU-funded project that aims to contribute to inclusive and resilient labour markets in Europe. The project is now in its mid-term and organizes a seminar for policy makers and stakeholders to reflect on and act upon the findings of the project. Issues that will be discussed during this seminar include:

- How has the crisis affected different vulnerable groups in different countries?
- Which strategies have countries developed to promote the inclusion of vulnerable groups?
- How does the position of different vulnerable groups interact within countries?
- What can we learn from the experiences in different countries?

Participation in the seminar is free but places are limited, so please RSVP by email to Boudewijn Bongaerts: bongaerts@fsw.eur.nl



Programme

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| 13.30 – 14.00 | Registration and coffee |
| 14.00 – 14.15 | Welcome |
| 14.15 - 14.45 | Assessing the labour market position of vulnerable groups in comparative perspective Dr. Menno Fenger - Erasmus University Rotterdam, The Netherlands |
| 14.45 - 15.15 | Innovative policies for vulnerable groups in Europe: An overview Prof.dr. Peter Taylor Gooby – Kent University, United Kingdom |
| 15.15 - 15.30 | Coffee break |
| 15.30 - 16.00 | Learning from European experiences Dr. Renate Minas – Stockholm University, Sweden |
| 16.00 - 16.30 | Combating youth unemployment in Europe Clémentine Moyart – European Youth Forum |
| 16.30 - 17.00 | Conclusions and wrap-up |