



STRENGTHENING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SOCIAL RIGHTS IN EUROPE – THE ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN SOCIAL CHARTER

Seminar on the European Social Charter to mark the end of mandate of
several members of the European Committee of Social Rights

PROGRAMME

8 December 2022
Palais de l'Europe, Room 10

Working languages: English and French
Event will be livestreamed

14:30 Opening

Mr Christos GIAKOUMOPOULOS, Director General, Directorate General Human Rights and Rule of Law, Council of Europe

Ms Dunja MIJATOVIĆ, Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights

Ms Aloisia WÖRGETTER, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Representative of Austria to the Council of Europe

14:50 Panel 1

Strengthening the implementation of social rights in Europe – discussion on the role and potential of the European Social Charter in the social rights protection landscape in Europe, in light of present-day challenges

Moderator: Mr George THEODOSIS, Assistant Professor of Labour Law and Director of the Laboratory of Comparative and European Social Law, Democritus University of Thrace, and member of the European Committee of Social Rights

Ms Meghna ABRAHAM, Executive Director of the Center for Economic and Social Rights

Mr Luis JIMENA QUESADA, Professor of Constitutional Law of the University of Valencia, and former President of the European Committee of Social Rights

Mr Panayiotis BEGLITIS, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Representative of Greece to the Council of Europe and Chairman of the ad hoc working party on improving the European Social Charter system (GT-CHARTÉ)

16:00 Panel 2

The future of work – the role of the European Social Charter – discussion on the future of work and workers' rights in Europe, in particular for "atypical" workers such as certain temporary workers, platform workers and self-employed workers

Moderator: Ms Miriam KULLMANN, Associate professor, Social Law Division, Radboud University, Nijmegen, and member of the European Committee of Social Rights

Ms Mélanie SCHMITT, Professor of Social Law of the University of Strasbourg

Ms Monika SCHLACHTER, Professor of International and European Labour Law and Civil Law of the University of Trier, and former Vice-President of the European Committee of Social Rights

Mr Stefan CLAUWAERT, Senior Legal and Human Rights Advisor, European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC)

Mr Lars ENGSTED, Team Leader, Future of Work, Youth Employment Unit,
Directorate General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion (DG EMPL),
European Commission

17:20 Concluding remarks

Ms Eliane CHEMLA, State councillor, State Council, and Vice-President of the European
Committee of Social Rights

17:30 Reception (*served next to the room 10*)