



EUROPEAN RESEARCH CONFERENCE
FAMILIES, HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS
Dublin, 25th September 2015
Dublin Castle



Version: June 24

DRAFT PROGRAM, SPEAKERS AND CHAIRS TBC

09h00 – 09h20	Registration & Coffee
09h20 – 09h30	Welcome and Introduction Opening by Mike Allen, Director of Focus Ireland Welcome by Alan Kelly, Minister for Environment, Community and Local Government (TBC)
09h30 – 11h00	Plenary Session (Large Lecture Hall) Chair: Volker Busch-Geertsema, DE
09h30 – 10h00	Beth Shinn, USA: Housing and Service Interventions for Family Homelessness: Results from a Multi-Site Experiment in the United States
10h00 – 10h30	Eoin O’Sullivan, IE: Responding to Homelessness: Ireland in Comparative Perspective
10h30 – 11h00	Questions
11h00 – 11h30	Coffee
11h30 – 13h00	SEMINAR SESSION 1 Participants will be asked to select one of these four parallel seminars
Seminar 1: (ROOM TBC) Veterans and homelessness: An international comparative perspective Chair: Dennis Culhane, USA Ann Elizabeth Montgomery, USA: Getting to Zero: Efforts to End Homelessness Among Veterans in the US Deborah Quilgars, UK: Meeting the Housing and Support Needs of Single Veterans in Great Britain Stephen Gaetz, CA: Homeless Veterans in Canada: An Emerging Issue Stephen Metraux, USA: Where Have All the Soldiers Gone: The Relevance of Veteran Status to Risk for Homelessness from a Global Perspective	
Seminar 2: (ROOM TBC) Pressure on housing markets and labour markets and their implications on homelessness Chair: Mike Allen, IE Joaquim Ferreira, Eduardo Santos, António Ferreira, Lara Figueiredo and Sara Rocha, PT: Work and relationships as life organizers in homelessness: discussion on research implications Jenni Mace, Clare Hocking and Marilyn Waring, NZ: Instilling hope and setting goals for a better future: Making the transition to sustaining a permanent home possible for families in temporary accommodation	
Seminar 3: (ROOM TBC) Young people’s trajectories into, in and off service provision Chair: Eoin O’Sullivan, IE Jamie Harding, UK: Care leavers, homelessness and the role of services Marit Ursin, NO: Youth homelessness in urban Brazil – a qualitative and longitudinal study	
Seminar 4: (ROOM TBC) Housing First: Evidence from action Chair: Nicholas Pleace, UK Marielle Beijersbergen, Judith Wolf, NL: Effectiveness of Critical Time Intervention for abused women and homeless people leaving Dutch shelters Chiara Giustini, Greta Toboli, Federica Tortelli, IT: “Tutti a Casa Nuclei” an experimental Housing First Project from Bologna	
13h00 – 14h00	Lunch Break



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14h00 – 15h30	SEMINAR SESSION 2 Participants will be asked to select one of these four parallel seminars
Seminar 5: (ROOM TBC) Homeless family members and family members of homeless youth Chair: Deborah Quilgars, UK Naomi Thulien, Gastaldo, D., Hwang, S., & McCay, E., CA: Homeless youth transitions to independent housing in Canada: Preliminary findings Marc Diebaecker, Roswitha Harner and Yann Arhant, AT: Parenting with homelessness: A qualitative study on the situation of homeless fathers and social work support relationships in homeless support services in Vienna Paula Mayock and Sarah Parker, IE: Families and homelessness: Casting the net to enhance understanding of patterns of inter- and intragenerational homelessness	
Seminar 6: (ROOM TBC) Homelessness in new member states Chair: Nóra Teller, HU Signe Dobelniece and Līga Rasnača, LV: Is there Family Homelessness in Latvia? Cosmin Briciu, RO: Family and homelessness in Romania	
Seminar 7: (ROOM TBC) Housing First and supporting networks Chair: Volker Busch-Geertsema, DE Stepan Ripka, CZ: Project of a randomized control trial of housing first for homeless families in temporary hostels in the Czech Republic Stephanie Rattelade, CA: The exploration of social support in homeless and vulnerably-housed women	
Seminar 8: (ROOM TBC) Profiles of homeless and strategic approaches towards homelessness Chair: Lars Benjaminsen, DK Nicholas Pleace, Dennis P. Culhane, Riitta Granfelt and Marcus Knutagård, UK/US/FI/SE: The Finnish Homelessness Strategy: An international review Bernie O'Donoghue Hynes, IE: Patterns of homeless emergency accommodation use in Dublin – how do we compare?	
15h30 – 16h00	Coffee
16h00 – 17h30	SEMINAR SESSION 3 Participants will be asked to select one of these four parallel seminars
Seminar 9: (ROOM TBC) Women and homelessness Chair: Isabel Batista, PT Méabh Savage, IE: Understanding and responding to women and homelessness- An equality studies perspective Elizabeth Whittaker, Marina Papic, Wayne Warburton, AU: The 'new' homeless: A mixed methods examination of single mothers' homelessness and housing pathways in Australia	
Seminar 10: (ROOM TBC) Inquiries into and addressing of mental health issues and homelessness Chair: Ruth Owen, BE Suvi Raitakari, FI: Practitioners negotiating the tensions between Housing First and Treatment First discourses in mental health mix-model housing services Michael Tully, Gary O'Reilly, Mark Shevlin, Cathy Brennan, Tracey Farragher and Susan Odell, IE: Are identity with, and perceived support from family and other homeless people as well as perceived discrimination associated with mental health for people who are homeless?	



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Seminar 11: (ROOM TBC) Evaluating and measuring sustainability of rehousing interventions	
Chair: Volker Busch-Geertsema, DE	
Linda McLean, Joelle Berard, and Raymond Downie, CA: The Long Journey to Home and Fallacies of Housing First: Alternative Theory, Discourse, and Practice in the Face of 10 Year Plans to End Homelessness (Calgary, Alberta, Canada)	
Guy Johnson, Yi-Ping Tseng, Daniel Kuehnle, AU/DE: Sustaining exits from long-term homelessness? Results from a four year randomized controlled trial	
Seminar 12: (ROOM TBC) PhD Researchers' Session	
Chair: Joe Finnerty, UK	
Hans Grymonprez, BE: Access and outreach practices in Antwerp: some critical considerations in historical perspective	
Katarzyna Halasa, FR: Children living in homeless families: Experience of children living in emergency accommodation in France	
17h30	Drinks Reception in the City Hall
20h00	Conference Dinner (location TBC)

Internet access:

Conference venue: Dublin Castle

Drinks Reception: Location to be confirmed – 2 minute walk from the conference halls

Conference accommodation: Bewleys of Ballsbridge. Busses will take participants from the hotel to the conference venue and back. Bus departs at 8h15 in the morning, and back at 19h00 to the hotel. Dinner is at Bellucci's, in 10 minutes walking distance from the hotel. The homepage of the restaurant is www.bellucci.ie.

Field visits: September 24 afternoon (5 organisations) and September 26 morning (HF in Dublin). Minibusses will be taking interested and registered participants to the venues. For more details see separate document available at http://www.feantsaresearch.org/IMG/pdf/feantsa_conference_site_visits.pdf.