

## CHAIRS OF THE SESSIONS

### PROGRAM

### 22<sup>nd</sup> SEPTEMBER, THURSDAY

#### Mike Alle, IE

Seminar 4: Exiting Institutions (Floor -1, Room 10)

Seminar 19: Health and Morbidity (Floor -1, Room 10)



*Mike Allen is Director of Advocacy, Research and Communications in Focus Ireland. He was President of FEANTSA (the European Network for Homeless Organisations) 2013-16 and is a member of the European Observatory on Homelessness. He is chair of the European Housing First Hub. He has published a number of articles on unemployment, homelessness and social movements and is co-author of 'Ending Homelessness? The Contrasting Experience of Denmark, Finland and Ireland' (Policy Press 2020).*

#### Lars Benjaminsen, DK

Seminar 8: Housing First (2) (Floor -1, Room 9)

Seminar 16: Measuring Homelessness (2) (Floor -1, Room 7)

*Lars Benjaminsen is a senior researcher at The Danish Center for Social Science Research (VIVE). Since 2006 he is also a member of the European Observatory on Homelessness. He is responsible for conducting the national homelessness counts in Denmark. He has also conducted several studies on social exclusion, homelessness and other forms of marginalization in Denmark as well as research on social interventions for homeless people and other vulnerable groups.*



#### Volker Busch-Geertsema, DE

Plenary I

Seminar 3: Housing First (1) (Floor -1, Room 9)

Plenary II



*Prof. Dr. Volker Busch-Geertsema has studied social sciences at the University of Bremen and is a senior research fellow and board member at the Association for Innovative Social Research and Social Planning (GISS, Bremen, Germany). Since 2015 he is an honorary Professor at Heriot Watt University Edinburgh. He is a member of the European Observatory on Homelessness since 1995 and since 2009 he is the Coordinator of the Observatory and member of the editorial team of the European Journal of Homelessness. He has conducted a number of extensive research projects on different aspects of homelessness in Germany, Europe and further abroad.*

## Caterina Cortese, IT

Seminar 9: Youth Homelessness Prevention (Floor -2, Room 10)

Seminar 18: Housing First (3) (Floor -1, Room 9)



*Caterina Cortese is Sociologist with a PhD in Policy Analysis. Since 2013 she works in fio.PSD (Italian Federation of Organizations working with Homeless People). She is Responsible of Observatory on Homeless Condition in Italy, and Coordinator of fio.PSD's Scientific Committee. She carries out periodic activities related to National Surveys on Adult marginalization, Homelessness Services, and Data collection on Housing First. Her articles and productions are available also on the online Library <https://www.fiopsd.org/biblioteca/> Latest is "The impacts of the pandemic crisis on Homelessness in Italy" (2020) (co-author)*

## Masa Filipovic-Hrast, SI

Seminar 1: Homelessness in Times of COVID-19 (Floor -1, Room 7)

Seminar 14: Qualitative Research Methods: Peer Research (Floor -1, Room 10)

*Maša Filipovič Hrast is an associate professor at the Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Ljubljana. She is Head of sociology department and Head of Center for Welfare studies. Her research topics include development of welfare state, social policy, housing policy, homelessness, and social inclusion.*



## Kjell Larsson, SE

Seminar 12: New Service Models in Homelessness Provision (Floor -1, Room 8)

Seminar 17: Homelessness in Sweden (Floor -1, Room 8)



*Kjell Larsson – A representative for Sweden's national association of city missions in FEANTSA since 2009, and currently as the president of FEANTSA. Working as a Development director on strategic level at City mission Gothenburg and nationally for Swedish City missions, with focus on housing and homelessness. He has been working as an executive in the social field for almost 25 years, with engagement in a lot of different projects on local and national level. He is also in charge of the National Swedish Housing first HUB.*

## Eoin O'Sullivan, IE

Seminar 5: Homelessness Research in Switzerland (Floor -2, Room 11)

Seminar 6: Digital Technologies and Homelessness (Floor -1, Room 7)

*Eoin O'Sullivan is a Fellow of Trinity College Dublin and Professor in Social Policy in the School of Social Work and Social Policy. He is a member of the European Observatory on Homelessness since 1992, and editor of the European Journal of Homelessness since 2009. Recent books include *Ending Homelessness? Policy and Progress in Denmark, Finland, and Ireland* (2020) and *Reimagining Homelessness?* (2020).*



## Nicholas Pleace, UK

Seminar 7: Criminal Justice (2) (Floor -1, Room 8)



*Nicholas Pleace is Director of the Centre for Housing Policy, an interdisciplinary research team within the School of Business and Society at the University of York. He has worked in homelessness research for over 25 years and been a member of the European Observatory on Homelessness for over a decade. Nicholas has a Chair in Social Policy at York and is currently the University Research Theme Champion for Justice and Equalities Research.*

## Freek Spinnewijn, BE

Seminar 11: Measurement of Homelessness (Floor -1, Room 7)

Seminar 20: Youth and Homelessness (Floor -2, Room 11)



*Freek Spinnewijn is director of FEANTSA. FEANTSA is the European umbrella of NGOs working with homeless people. FEANTSA has member organisation in 30 European countries. Freek studied Medieval History and European Law and Policy at the University of Leuven (BE). After some short work placements at the UN in Geneva and the EU in Brussels, he became director of EPSO, a European network of seniors' organisations. In 2001, Freek took up his current position of director of FEANTSA. Freek is vice-president of the European Public Health Alliance (EPHA), and sits on board of several European organisations such as the European Anti-Poverty Network (EAPN) and Social Services Europe.*

## Nóra Teller, HU

Seminar 2: Criminal Justice and Homelessness (1) (Floor -1, Room 8)

Seminar 10: Women and Homelessness (Floor -2, Room 11)

Seminar 15: Policy Analysis (Floor -2, Room 11)



*Nóra Teller, PhD, is a sociologist at the Metropolitan Research Institute in Budapest. Her research and consultancy expertise relates to issues of social housing, housing (de)segregation, housing finance, housing exclusion of Roma, homelessness, evaluation of using EU funds for social inclusion, covering CEE countries and selected old member states. She is a member of the European Observatory on Homelessness and the European Network of Housing Research, and acts as a co-editor of the European Journal of Homelessness.*

## Vera Lomazzi, IT

Seminar 13: Homelessness in Italy (Floor -1, Room 9)

*Vera Lomazzi is assistant professor in Sociology at the Department of Human and Social Sciences at the University of Bergamo (Italy). She is a board member of the European Survey Research Association (ESRA) and secretary of the Executive Committee of the European Values Study. Her expertise covers survey methodology, the cross-cultural study of gender equality and gender role attitudes, solidarity and values change. Her work has been published in highly ranked journals such as Social Science Research, Quality & Quantity, Cross-Cultural Research, European Societies.*





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