

**11th LPR Network seminar
Tallinn, 18-19 September 2014**

Venue: Mustpeade maja, Pikk 26

Day 1: September 18

Chair: Peter Moss

9-9.30 Arrival, welcome and introducing the programme

9.30-11.00 Session 1. Host country Session

- Katre Pall: An introduction to Estonia and Estonian leave policies
- Ruta Braziene and Marre Karu: Comparing leave policies across the Baltic states
- Discussant: Johanna Lammi-Taskula

11.00-11.30 Coffee break

11.30-12.45 Session 2. What is the case for paid parental leave?

An open discussion provoked by a recent research paper¹ that offers a critical view of Norwegian leave policy. All participants are asked to read the paper in advance; the discussion will be started by two network members.

- Discussant 1: Elin Kvande
- Discussant 2: Diane Gabrielle-Tremblay

12.45-14.15: Lunch

Chair: Fred Deven

14.15-15.45: Session 3. Evaluating gender equality in leave policies

- Presentation: Helene Dearing
- Discussant 1: Linda Haas
- Discussant 2: Maurizio Mosca (EIGE)

15.45-16.00: Break

16.00-17.30: Session 4. Regional and national policy developments and reports on research

- Oxana Sinyavskaya: Use of Parental leave policies in the Russian Federation
- Karin Wall: Fathers on Leave and Gender Equality research project
- Alison Koslowski: Policy debates in an (?independent) Scotland

19.00: Seminar dinner at Restaurant Platz, Roseni 7 – please be ready at 18.45

¹ Dahl, G., Loken, K., Mogstad, M. and Salvanes, K. (2013) 'What is the case for paid maternity leave?' Bonn: IZA. <http://ftp.iza.org/dp7707.pdf>

Day 2: September 19

Chair: Katre Pall and Peter Moss

9.30-11.00: Session 5. Regional and national policy developments and reports on research

Parallel Session 1:

- Ann-Zofie Duvander: Nordic family policy and demographic consequences research project
- Nada Stropnik: 'More or less leave for fathers' – new legislation in Slovenia
- Anna Kurowska: The parental leave reforms and childbearing in Poland

Parallel Session 2:

- Hideki Nakazato: Fathers on Parental leave in a father-unfriendly work culture – Japan
- Minna Salmi: Mothers of two-year-olds – results from new family leave data in Finland
- Ivana Dobrotic: Early childhood education and care in Croatia

11.00-11.30: Break

Chair: Katre Pall

11.30-12.45: Session 6. Policy learning: What can we learn from other countries and how?

- Sonja Blum: Policy transfer – the cases of Austria and Germany
- Contributions by Agnes Uherezky (COFACE) and Muriel Bissières (EC)

12.45-14.15: Lunch

Chair: Fred Deven

14.15-15.15: Session 7. Information from international organisations and about collaborative work

- COFACE (Confederation of Family Organisations in the EU): Agnes Uherezky
- EIGE (European Institute for Gender Equality): introducing EIGE's work on Good Practices in the area of reconciliation: Maurizio Mosca
- European Commission: Muriel Bissières
- UN – 20th Anniversary of the International Year of the Family: Margaret O'Brien

Chair: Peter Moss

15.15-16.15: Session 8. Network business

- Membership
- Review
- Website
- 2015 seminar
- Succession planning: what happens after Fred and Peter step down

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