

Women, Families, Careers – Effects of the Pandemic on Work/Life Balance in the Visegrad Countries

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WOMEN, FAMILIES, CAREERS – EFFECTS OF THE PANDEMIC ON WORK/LIFE BALANCE IN THE VISEGRAD COUNTRIES International Conference

Date and Time: 8 March 2022, from 12:30 pm. to 18:00 pm. Venue: Rubin Wellness & Conference Hotel in Budapest (1118 Budapest, Dayka Gábor utca 3.)

> Language of the conference: Hungarian and English We will be taking photos and videos at the conference The conference can be joined also online by registered participants

> > Draft Program

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12:30 - 13:00 Registration

13:00 – 13:30 Opening, welcome

Ms. Andrea Ferenczi, President of the AWCDH, project manager of the Visegrad Project, Chair HE Mr. Tibor Bial, Ambassador of the Czech Republic to Hungary - TBC

13:30 – 13:50 Presentation of the Research

on Women, Families, Careers – Effects of the Pandemic on Work/Life Balance in the Visegrad Countries *Ms. Ildikó Modláné Görgényi, adult education expert, head of research*

13:50 – 14:40 Introduction of our V4 Partners and their Research

Prof. Jolanta Maćkowicz, PhD Pedagogical University of Krakow Ms. Lenka Šťastná president, and Ms. Ingrid Šurova board member, Business & Professional Women CR z.s.,

Ms. Ivana Kondášová director, Association of Business women and managers

14:40 – 15:10 Introduction of our Hungarian Partners

Dr. Júlia Fodor, vice president, Hungarian Red Cross Ms. Katalin Balla, Policy officer, National Association of Large Families – NOE Representative of the Women's Entrepreneurial Club of Győr-Moson-Sopron County Chamber of Commerce and Industry

15:10 – 15:30 Coffee break

15:30 – 17:00 Stakeholder Forum

Presentation of "Best Practices" form the V4 Countries

17:00 – 17:15 Closing remarks

17:15 – 18:00 Networking, Sandwich buffet

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About the Conference

With its nearly 20-years of experience and professional background the Association for Women's Career Development in Hungary decided to address the impact of the pandemic on women, especially the impact on the labor market.

Therefore they we are pleased that together with the professional partners from the V4 countries, the Business & Professional Women CR z.s. from the Czech Republic, the Association of Business Women from the Slovak Republic and the Pedagogical University of Krakow from Poland, we have the opportunity to implement the "Women, Families, Careers – Effects of the Pandemic on Work/Life Balance in the Visegrad Countries" project between October 2021 and April 2022 thanks to the support of the Visegrad Fund.

Our Hungarian partner organizations are the National Association of Large Families – NOE, the Hungarian Red Cross, and the Women's Entrepreneurial Club of Győr-Moson-Sopron County Chamber of Commerce.

We are organizing the Multiplying Event / International Conference titled "Women, Families, Careers – Effects of the Pandemic on Work/Life Balance in the Visegrad Countries" in Budapest on 8th March 2022, on Women's Day, with the participation of our V4 and Hungarian Partners.

At the multiplying event we will present our research based on the electronic survey carried out simultaneously in the V4 countries in November-December 2021 and on the focus group interviews conducted in each country during December 2021 and January 2022.

Within the framework of our Project, we have examined the impact of the pandemic on four special groups of women (mothers with children, women who are planning a family, women over 50, and rural women), with relation to the labour market.

Our Partners will present their research carried out in their countries.

Within the framework of the Stakeholder Forum, we will share knowledge, experiences, and good practices within our partnership and with our stakeholders.

Based on our research, credible experts, and good practices in the context of V4 countries on the topic, we hope to provide a well-founded background for decision makers regarding the impact of the pandemic on women, in particular with relation to the labour market.

Information for participants

The conference will be organized in hybrid form including the relevant target groups, stakeholders, and decision makers through the network of our partnership.

We will welcome participants from the V4 countries and also from the EU countries and the West Balkan countries. By streaming the conference online, participation will be open for everyone in the world during the conference, and after the conference we will put the recording on YouTube.

Since our foundation we have organized more than 40 international conferences as well as many meetings and workshops. We all are missing life events and therefore we are very much looking forward to meeting our old and new guests in person on 8 March 2022.

We will do everything on the spot for the safety of the participants, we will keep social distance and ask everyone to wear mask. We will provide hand sanitizer on the spot.

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Nevertheless, as a positive benefit of the coronavirus, we have learned how advances in technology bring people closer in the world and how we can provide wider international reach.

Registration is free but number of attendees is limited. The conference can be joined also online by registered participants. We welcome registrations from those who wish to attend the event in person or online

until 1st March 2022 at the following link:

https://registration.visegradwomen.net/

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