Care Workers on the Coronavirus Frontline

– translating experiences into better care and better working conditions

Public Conference, 4 May 2021, 9h30 – 13h00

Online on Zoom, Livestream on Facebook

Translation in 5 Languages: English, Swedish, Portuguese, German, Polish

DRAFT AGENDA

09h30 **Welcome and introduction** by **Mette Nord**, President of EPSU

09h40 **On the Corona Frontline – Experiences of care workers in nine European countries**

Presentation of Report by **Lisa Pelling**, Director of Arena Idé

10h00 **Panel 1: Looking back on the experiences of the past year**

Tobias Baudin, President of Swedish Municipal Workers' Trade Union Kommunal

Marina Romana, STSSSS, Shop steward in Portuguese elderly care home

Sian Stockham, Care worker and Vice-President of UNISON Wales

Lieve Verboven (tbc), ILO Brussels, Director

Klára Dobrev MEP (tbc), Vice-President of the European Parliament, Member of the Committee on Employment and Social Affairs

Moderated by **Laeticia Thissen,** FEPS

11h00 **Coffee break**

11h30 **Panel 2: Towards better working conditions in long-term care**

Ana Paula Zacarias (tbc), Portuguese Secretary of State for European Affairs

Kinga Milankovics, Care Worker and Activist, Hungary

Elizabeth Laursen, Health and Security Officer at Care Home, Sweden

Dana Bachmann, Head of Unit "Modernisation of Social Protection Systems", DG Employment, European Commission

Heléne Fritzon MEP, Vice-President of the S&D-Group, Member of the Committee on Employment and Social Affairs and the Committee on Women's rights and Gender Equality

Barbara Helfferich, FEPS-FES Care4Care Expert, Co-Founder of GenderFivePlus

Moderated by **Ainara Bascuñana**, FEPS

12h45 **Conclusions and next steps** by **Renate Tenbusch**, Director of Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung EU Office

13h00 **End of the event**