

The role of digital platforms in the ongoing transformations of the home care sector

ORIGAMI final conference

20 November 2025, EESC, Brussels

Programme

Venue: EESC, VMA Building (room VMA22), Rue Van Maerlant/Van Maerlantstraat 2, 1040 Brussels

9.00 – 9.30 Welcome and registration

9.30 – 10.15 Welcome and introduction to the conference

9.30 – 9.35: Opening remarks: Cinzia Del Rio, SOC-EESC

9.35 – 9.45: Introduction: Ivana Pais, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore (Italy)

9.45 – 10.15 Keynote speech: Ursula Huws, Director of Analytica Social and Economic Research Ltd

10.15 – 11.15 Session 1: Landscaping of digital platforms in the home care sector

10.15 – 10.30: Main findings of the report Comparative analysis of digital platforms case studies – **Ivana Pais**, *Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore (Italy)*

10.30 - 11.15: Case studies

Chair: Francesco Bonifacio, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore (Italy)

- Nicole Teke, University of Nantes (France) Investing the highly regulated French care sector as a platform: the case of a digital agency
- Caroline Murphy, University of Limerick (Ireland) A case study of transition from a traditional care agency to a digital platform model
- Oscar Molina, Universitat Autonoma de Barcelona (Spain) From traditional care to digital intermediation: the case of Cuideo
 - Discussant: Valeria Pulignano, KU Leuven
 - Q&A with the audience

11.15 – 11.30 Coffee break

11.30 – 12.30 Session 2: Collective actions and innovative strategies

11.30 – 11.45: Main findings of the report Comparative analysis of case studies of social actors' innovative strategies – **Anna Ilsoe** and **Liv Bjerre**, *University of Copenhagen* (Denmark)

11.45 - 12.30: Case studies

Chair: Diana Dovgan, CECOP

- Anna Ilsøe and Liv Bjerre, University of Copenhagen (Denmark) Collective bargaining on Danish cleaning platforms - effects of the Hilfr1 and Hilfr2 agreements for company and workers
- Francesco Bonifacio, *Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore (Italy)* Family Assistant: a care platform promoted by local authorities and cooperatives
- Mithra Hesselink, University of Groningen (The Netherlands) Trade Union Action in Platform Work:
 The Case of Helpling
 - Discussant: Vassil Kirov, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences
 - Q&A with the audience

12.30 – 14.00 Lunch break

14.00 –17.00 Session 3: Policy discussion and stakeholders' engagement

- 14.00 14.15 Keynote by **Uma Rani**, *ILO*
- 14.15 14:30 Policy Proposal at EU level Ilda Durri, European Social Observatory

14:30 – 15.30 Roundtable: Stakeholder engagement

Chair: Dalila Ghailani, European Social Observatory

- Diana Dovgan, CECOP
- Silvia Rainone, European Trade Union Institute
- Leonor Tavares, EFSI
- Danko Relic, EESC
- Philippe Seidel, AGE EUROPE

15:30 – 16:30 Policy roundtable: advancing recommendations

Chair: Slavina Spasova, European Social Observatory

- Dana-Carmen Bachmman, Head of Social Protection Unit, DG EMPL
- Rudi Kennens, Member of Committee on International Trade; Committee on Industry, Research and Energy (EP); Substitute Member of Committee on Employment and Social Affairs (EP)
- Tzotze Lanara, EESC
- Claire Hobden, Specialist on Domestic and other Vulnerable Work (ILO)

16:30-16:45 Q&A with the audience

16:45 -17:00 Closing remarks – Ivana Pais, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore (Italy)

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