

FEAD Network

Fund for European Aid to the Most Deprived

'Helping older people in poverty: FEAD initiatives'

Hotel Novotel Vilnius Centre, 4-5 June 2019, Lithuania

Tuesday 4 June

	<p>This event will examine the main challenges related to poverty and exclusion among older people in Europe. The panel discussion will set the scene and discuss the main issues, from a policy and research perspective. The interactive sessions will focus on practice, showcasing a range of FEAD and other related projects. The second day will revolve around project visits and offer another session with case studies. The closing session will reflect on lessons learned from the discussions and project visits.</p>
14:30 – 15:00	<i>Registration, coffee/light refreshments and networking</i>
15:00 – 15:10	Welcome and overview of the two days
15:10 – 15:30	Welcome from the European Commission
15:30 – 16:00	Welcome from the Lithuanian Managing Authority and presentation about FEAD in Lithuania
16:00– 17:00	<p>Panel discussion on poverty and social exclusion in older age</p> <p>This session will offer a discussion on poverty and exclusion among older people and the EU-level and national initiatives that are in place to meet some of the main challenges.</p>
17:00 – 17:30	<i>Coffee and networking</i>
17:30 – 18:45	<p>Workshop 1: Examples of FEAD's work in selected Member States: key initiatives</p> <p>In this session, we could focus on the work that FEAD is doing in this area, examining relevant case studies. Followed by Q&A and an interactive session</p>
18:45 – 19:00	<p>Closing session of day 1</p> <p>Practical information for the following day (project visits and sessions)</p>
19:00 – 20:00	<i>Informal networking drink followed by buffet dinner</i>
OPTIONAL 20:00 – 22.00	<i>A guided sightseeing walking tour in Vilnius old town organised by the Lithuanian Managing Authority</i>

Wednesday 5 June

08:20 – 08:30	Project visits start from the Novotel Vilnius Centre Hotel Delegates will gather in the hotel lobby according to their allocated project groups. Buses will leave to the project sites at 8:30 sharp.
09:00 – 11:00	Project visits Three parallel visits will be organised across Vilnius. Delegates will be split into three groups according to their preferences and project capacity. Each group will visit one project site. <ol style="list-style-type: none">GROUP 1 - “Food and hygiene products’ support” - visit to Food Bank and accompanying measures it offersGROUP 2 - Social centre “Bethany” - visit to charity canteen, day centre and hygiene room run by Caritas in partnership with Food BankGROUP 3 - “Reserved for older people” – visit to employment centre SOPA helping disadvantaged older people to find employment – synergy between FEAD and ESF
11:15 – 12:00	Reflections on the project visits The purpose of this session is to reflect on the key impressions and lessons learnt from the project visits and share these with the other participants.
12:00 – 13:00	<i>Lunch</i>
13:00 – 14:00	Workshop 2 – Supporting older workers in poverty: national initiatives from around Europe
14:00 – 14:30	Close of the meeting and live online feedback