



Association “EAPN-Latvia”

PeP program overview

27.02.2020. Riga. PeP program participants were nominated.

EAPN-Latvia network’s member organizations for the implementation of PeP program and the participation in PeP European meeting in 2020 nominated the following organizations’ leaders:

- **Santa Survila** and **Aleksandrs Nikolins** from Latvian Myopathy Association "Sartorius";
- **Diana Jasinska** from Sigulda Association "A call to You";
- **Ilgā Liepina** from the Latvian Association of Large Families;
- **Iveta Valeine** from Garkalne Women's Association "Our Home";
- **Iveta Salve** from the People's Assistance Fund;
- **Aigars Sveicers** from the Latvian Lawyers’ Association;
- **Janis Stjadja** from the Dobeles Association of people with disabilities;
- **Arnolds Ziemelis** from Kundzinsala Creativity School.

28.04.2020. EAPN Europe PeP webinar from Brussels.

On April 28th Aigars Sveicers, the EAPN-Latvia Member of the Board, remotely participated in the meeting of EAPN PeP National Coordinators (Brussels).

15.05.2020. EAPN Europe PeP webinar from Brussels.

On May 15th PeP National Coordinator Aigars Sveicers participated in the EAPN webinar “The role of National Coordinators”.

19.05.2020. EAPN Europe PeP webinar from Brussels.

On May 19th PeP National Coordinator Aigars Sveicers participated in the EAPN webinar „Discussion on the COMM’ON Guidelines”.



05.06.2020. EAPN Europe webinar from Brussels.

On June 5th PeP National Coordinator Aigars Sveicers remotely attended the EAPN meeting in Brussels in connection with the COMM'ON guidelines.

12.06.2020. EAPN-Latvia PeP program planning in Riga.

On June 12th a meeting of the PeP program planning working group took place in Riga, during which were summarized the proposals for PeP activities in Latvia in 2020. In this discussion meeting participated Laila Balga, Elina Alere-Fogele and Aigars Sveicers (the EAPN-Latvia board members), Rihards Bunka and Sergejs Mahnovs (representatives of the Latvian Lawyers' Association), Ilga Liepina (a representative of the Latvian Association of Large Families), Vija Ahunzjanova (a representative of the Large Family Center "Family Support"), Andris Burtnieks (a representative of the Movement for Economic and Energy Promotion), Ivars Redisons (a representative of the Latvian Society for Social Reforms), Vladislavs Klinicevs (a representative of the association „Pro-police Latvia”) and Maris Berzins (a representative of the Independent Police Trade Union).

26.06.2020. EAPN Europe webinar from Brussels.

On June 26th Aigars Sveicers remotely attended the EAPN meeting in Brussels on the role of national coordinators in involving people who have experienced poverty in advocacy processes.

03.07.2020. The PeP program in Latvia for 2020 has been approved.

PeP activities:

- Summarizing information on the results of the 2019 PeP European Conference “THE TIME IS NOW to make Europe Poverty Free”, meeting of PeP national coordinators and NGO members that took place in Riga.
- Participation in the meeting of PeP national coordinators in April in Lund, Sweden. Summarizing its results at the meeting of PeP national coordinators and leaders of the EAPN-Latvia network's member organizations in Riga.
- Participation of PeP national coordinator in the EAPN Europe webinars. EAPN-Latvia's proposals for the EAPN COMM'ON and PeP program guidelines.



- Creating the EAPN-Latvia group of experts. Discussion meetings to prepare these experts for the PeP European Conference.
- Discussion meeting of PeP experts and families who have experienced poverty in August in Aloja, Aloja region.
- International Day for the Eradication of Poverty - meeting of experts, policy makers and citizens in October in Riga.
- Participation of four PeP experts in the PeP European Conference in November, in Brussels, Belgium. Presentation of conference results to the EAPN-Latvia network.
- Meetings of PeP experts, members of the Social and Labor Affairs Commission of the Saeima of the Republic of Latvia and social inclusion policy specialists from the Ministry of Welfare in December in Riga.
- The 2020 PeP program results' evaluation meeting in December in Riga.

07.07.2020. Co-financed PeP Action Plan in Latvia.

On July 7th EAPN Europe approved the EAPN-Latvia PeP Action Plan for 2020, by granting annual co-financing.

16.07.2020. Planning PeP activities in Aloja.

On July 16th the first visit of the PeP program representatives took place in Aloja, where the EAPN-Latvia leaders Janis Stjadja (the EAPN-Latvia board member, Dobeles Association of people with disabilities), Ilga Liepina (PeP program coordinator, Latvian Association of Large Families), Valentina Olsevskā (association "Olivzars-Vēdi") and Vija Ahunzjanova (Large Family Center "Family Support") were kindly welcomed by Guna Krūmina, Jana Bekere, Lāsma Līlenblate and Ineta Lopenova (specialists of municipal institutions) and Viola Kikute (an entrepreneur).

It is planned that on August 14th at the Aloja Culture House will take place the EAPN-Latvia seminar for families about the problems of teenagers "Where the motivation stems from?", led by the psychologist Inga Dreimane from Riga.



14.08.2020. PeP seminar for families in Aloja.

On August 14th, within the framework of the EAPN-Latvia PeP program, in cooperation with the Aloja Region Social Service (headed by Jana Bekere), was organized a seminar for families "Where the motivation stems from?", led by the psychologist Inga Dreimane. This seminar was attended by 20 participants from the Aloja region. EAPN-Latvia network was represented by its Board members Laila Balga, Marite Rozentale and Janis Stjadja, as well as the PeP program coordinator Ilga Liepina. Aloja companies "Nina S" and "Mierins" provided coffee and lunch for the seminar participants.

September 2020. **A Poverty Watch report has been prepared** (with a section on PeP experience with responses to the questionnaire questions).

September 2020. **The plan of the activity-discussion "October 17th - International Day for the Eradication of Poverty" has been prepared**, where the nominated participants of the PeP program are invited to take part actively.

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