



# SOCIAL WELFARE

## REFRAMING WELFARE

*Policy Workshop Series*

**Assessing welfare disparities  
in European regions**

**Policy challenges and opportunities**

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Wednesday 2 March 2022  
5.00 pm to 6.30 pm CET

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**"Are people's lives getting better over generations?"**

**"Can policies improve our lives and welfare?"**

**"Are we measuring the right things?"**

These are important questions that both academics and policymakers seek to understand and answer in order to design and implement policies that will reduce welfare disparities across European regions and will deliver prosperity. The "Reframing Welfare Policy Workshop" series, hosted by KMOP Policy Center and Ethos Lab – Centre for Governance and Sustainability Research, will embark on a journey to answer these questions through six online workshops that will focus on different aspects and issues around welfare.

*This inaugural workshop will set the ground by focusing on issues of measuring welfare disparities and policy challenges in delivering welfare via a panel of speakers and a series of discussions.*

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*Pre-registration is required. The event is open to the public and will be held in English.*

*For further information, please contact us at:*  
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# Programme

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5.00 pm  
CET

## ***Introduction:***

**Prof. Pyrros Papadimitriou**

Director of KMOP Policy Center, Associate Professor,  
University of the Peloponnese

5.10 pm

## ***Panel on welfare disparities in Europe***

**Moderator: Prof. Antonis Klapsis**

Assistant Professor, University of the Peloponnese

## ***Panellists***

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5.10 pm

## ***Challenges of policymakers in designing and adopting welfare policies***

**Mikuláš Dzurinda**

President of the Wilfried Martens Centre for European  
Studies, former Prime Minister of Slovakia

5.25 pm

## ***Levelling up and the new agenda for prosperity***

**Prof. Dame Henrietta Moore**

Professor, University College London, Founder and Director  
of Institute for Global Prosperity

5.40 pm

## ***Wellbeing by design***

**Prof. Paul Dolan**

Professor, London School of Economics and Political Science

5.55 pm

## ***New tools for designing and evaluating welfare policies***

**Dr. Georgios Melios**

Founder Ethos Lab – Centre for Governance and  
Sustainability Research

6.00 pm

## ***Panel discussion | Q&A Session***

**Moderator: Prof. Antonis Klapsis**

Assistant Professor, University of the Peloponnese

# Speakers



## Mikuláš Dzurinda

*President of the Wilfried Martens Centre for European Studies, former Prime Minister of Slovakia*

Mikuláš Dzurinda was elected President of the WMCES in December 2013. He is the former Prime Minister of Slovakia (1998-2006) and has held various positions in government since first entering politics in 1990. Once he became Prime Minister and formed a coalition government in 1998, Dzurinda introduced far-reaching reforms which have enabled Slovakia to begin the process of joining the EU and NATO. After being re-elected in 2002, Dzurinda led Slovakia to become a member of the EU and NATO in 2004, a process which he actively took part in from the beginning. Since Slovakia gained independence in 1993, Dzurinda has also held the position of Minister of Transportation and more recently that of Minister for Foreign Affairs (from July 2010 to April 2012). Dzurinda is a founding member of the Slovak Democratic and Christian Union – Democratic Party (SDKÚ-DS) and was chairman of the party from 2000 to 2012. From 2012 to 2016 he was a member of the Slovak Parliament. In 2007 he was awarded the F.A. Hayek International Prize for reforms and fight against bureaucracy. He is also a marathon runner.



## Prof. Dame Henrietta Moore

*Professor, University College London, Founder and Director of Institute for Global Prosperity*

Prof. Dame Henrietta Moore is the Founder and Director of the Institute for Global Prosperity and the Chair in Culture Philosophy and Design at University College London. A leading global thinker on prosperity, Professor Moore challenges traditional economic models of growth arguing that to flourish communities, businesses and governments need to engage with diversity and work within environmental limits. Her work crosses disciplines, from social science to the arts to business innovation and she applies these different perspectives to inform research and policy at all levels. Professor Moore's research has attracted significant funding from the ESRC, ERC, AHRC, Leverhulme Trust including the ESRC-funded RELIEF Centre aiming to improve levels of prosperity in Lebanon, the country with the world's largest number of refugees per capita. In 2016 Professor Moore was made Dame Commander of the British Empire for contribution to social sciences, services to business, policy, and the arts. She is also Chair of the London Prosperity Board, a trustee at the Barbican Centre Trust, a Fellow of the British Academy, a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts, an Academician of the Learned Societies for the Social Sciences, and a Member of the Institute of Directors. Formerly, she held the positions of William Wyse Chair of Social Anthropology at the University of Cambridge, the LSE Deputy Director for research and external relations, and Director of the Gender Institute at the LSE from 1994-1999, she has held numerous Visiting Appointments in the United States, Germany, Norway, and South Africa.

# Speakers

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**Prof. Paul Dolan**

*Professor, London School of Economics and Political Science*

Prof. Paul Dolan is a Professor of Behavioural Science at the London School of Economics and Political Science. Being the first in his family to go to university, Paul graduated from Swansea University in 1989 with a degree in economics and gained a doctorate from the University of York in 1997 focusing on issues in the valuation of health outcomes. He has subsequently published over 100 peer reviewed articles, 2 bestselling books and has appeared on numerous media outlets. Paul has worked as the Chief Academic Advisor on Economic Appraisal for the UK Government's Economic Service, is a member of National Academy of Sciences Panel on Wellbeing and of the Measuring National Wellbeing Advisory Forum, a visiting scholar at Imperial College London and Princeton University and is an associate of the Institute for Government. In 2002, Paul won the Philip Leverhulme Prize in economics for his contribution to health economics.



**Prof. Pyrros Papadimitriou**

*Director of KMOP Policy Center, Associate Professor, University of the Peloponnese*

Prof. Pyrros Papadimitriou is a lawyer and economist currently holding the position of Associate Professor in International Economic Relations at the University of Peloponnese. He has over 40 peer-reviewed papers on topics of Macroeconomics, Public Finance, Labour Economics and Welfare Policies and more than 100 funded research projects. In addition to his academic work, Prof. Papadimitriou has been actively involved in Greek policy, holding various governmental positions. In 1996-98, he served as Advisor to the European Parliament on Economic and Monetary Union issues; in 2007-09, he served as President and CEO of the greek flag carrier Olympic Airlines, undertaking its privatization; in 2012-14, he coordinated the privatization of the Greek Regional Airports. Currently, Prof. Papadimitriou is Vice-President of the Public Power Corporation SA, the largest power producer and electricity supply company in Greece. As founder of HEADWAY Economic Consultants SA (1996-cont.) and Four Assist Development Consulting Ltd (2006-15), he has implemented, as team leader or scientific coordinator, more than 150 projects worldwide on policy design and impact evaluation of labour market policies, public financial management, economic development and inequalities. In October 2020, Prof. Papadimitriou founded the KMOP Policy Center, where he serves as General Director.



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## Dr. Georgios Melios

*Founder Ethos Lab – Centre for Governance and Sustainability Research*

Dr. George Melios is an economist and political scientist focusing on topics of political economy, behavioral change, and welfare. His research includes applied and theoretical work on causal inference, political attitudes, and elections as well as on welfare from a policy perspective.

He is the cofounder and director of Ethos Lab - Centre for Governance and Sustainability Research and he currently holds a Research Fellow position at the London School of Economics and a Senior Research Fellow (Hon) position at University College London. Prior to LSE, he held research associate positions at UCL, Yale and New York University (NYU) - AD. He holds a Doctorate (Dphil) in Economics from Swansea University, an M.Sc. in Financial Economics with distinction from Cardiff University and a B.Sc. in Economic and Regional Development from Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences. His research has attracted substantial funding from the European Commission, the Economics and Social sciences Research Council (ESRC UK), Leverhulme Trust, Public Choice Society and the Wales Institute for Social and Economics Research and Data (WISERD).

## Moderator

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## Prof. Antonis Klapsis

*Assistant Professor, University of the Peloponnese*

Prof. Antonis Klapsis is Assistant Professor of Diplomacy and International Organization at the Department of Political Science and International Relations of the University of the Peloponnese. He is the Academic Coordinator of the Centre of International and European Political Economy and Governance of the same

Department. He is a member of the Scientific Committee of the Foundation of the Hellenic Parliament Foundation for Parliamentarism and Democracy (Athens, Greece). He is also a member of the Academic Council of the Wilfried Martens Centre for European Studies (Brussels, Belgium). He has worked as an Expert at the Committee of the Regions of the European Union on the evaluation of the European Migration Agenda and on the new European Neighbourhood Policy. His research interests include history of international relations, European integration, diplomacy, and the organization of the international community.



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