

Chair and Members of the High Level Group on the Future of Social Protection in the EU and of the Welfare State in the EU Members

The Chair

Anna Diamantopoulou has led a long and distinguished career in public service in Greece and in Europe and has extensive experience in the private sector. Formerly Greece's candidate for the post of OECD's Secretary General, Ms. Diamantopoulou served as the European Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, and has held several significant portfolios as a Minister in the Greek government as well. She was Minister of Development, Competitiveness and Shipping, and, prior to that, Minister of Education, Research and Technology, and Lifelong learning.

She is currently the President of DIKTIO – Network for Reform in Greece and Europe, a leading independent, non-partisan, Athens-based think tank, which she founded in 2013. Ms. Diamantopoulou is actively involved in international think tanks and not-for-profit organisations. She is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Brussels-based think tank friends of Europe, a Council member of the European Council on foreign relations (ECFR), and a member of the Scientific Council of the foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS). She sits on the Advisory Board of the Delphi Economic forum.

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Pasqualino Albi is Full Professor of Labour Law at the University of Pisa and Attorney-at-Law. Since March 2021, he holds the position of Legal Advisor to the Italian Minister of Labour and Social Policies. He is Chairman of the Study Commission on remote working set up by the same Minister and is a member of various ministerial study commissions. He was advisor to the Italian Minister of Education, University and Research for the study and analysis of the legal status and employment relationships of the staff of the same Ministry (2013-2014). He is author of over one hundred and fifty scientific publications on labour law. He is a member of the editorial boards of various scientific journals and is the scientific director of the Advanced Training Course of the Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna in Pisa.



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Bernhard Ebbinghaus is Professor of Social Policy at University of Oxford, and also Senior Research Fellow of Green Templeton College, Oxford. From October 2017 until December 2020 Professor Ebbinghaus had been Head of the Department of Social Policy and Intervention (2017-20). In addition, he is Mercator Fellow (2018-22) at the Collaborative Research Centre (SFB 884) Political Economy of Reform, University of Mannheim, where he will resume his Professorship of Sociology as of January 2022. His research studies the politics and outcomes of welfare state reforms, comparing pension systems, employment policies during crises, and the role of public attitudes and organized interests. He is co-PI of the Oxford Supertracker project, a directory of Covid-19 related policy trackers and surveys.



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Anton Hemerijck joined the EUI, as Professor of Political Science and Sociology, in January 2017. Trained as an economist at Tilburg University in the Netherlands, he took his doctorate from Oxford University. In his capacity of Dean of the Faculty of the Social Sciences at the Vrije Universiteit of Amsterdam, together with Jonathan Zeitlin, he founded with the University of Amsterdam, the Amsterdam Centre for Contemporary European Studies (ACCESS EUROPE). He also directed the Scientific Council for Government Policy (WRR), the principle think tank in the Netherlands, while holding a professorship in Comparative European Social Policy at the Erasmus University Rotterdam. Between 1996 and 2000 he was senior researcher at the Max-Planck-Institute for the Study of Societies in Cologne. In addition, he has held numerous visiting appointments, ranging from MIT to the University of Lisbon, the University of Antwerp, the Collegio Carlo Alberto of Turin University. Between 2014 and 2017, Anton Hemerijck was Centennial Professor of Social Policy at the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE). Over the past decade he frequently served as an advisor on social policy, social investment and the welfare state for the European Commission. Key publications include *Changing Welfare States* (2013) and *The Uses of Social Investment* (2017), both published with Oxford University Press.



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