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Launch report:

Health Inequalities in Europe **Setting the Stage for Progressive Policy Action**

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13:30 – 16:30

FEPS Office – Rue Montoyer 40 – Brussels

Join us for the Brussels launch of the FEPS-TASC report on “**Health Inequalities in Europe: Setting the Stage for Progressive Policy Action**” published by the Foundation for European Progressive Studies and the Dublin-based Think Tank for Action on Social Change (TASC).

The report proposes a progressive agenda to take action on health inequalities, and—in doing so—achieve the SDGs on health. Only by simultaneously providing universal health coverage to all populations in Europe and evaluating policies regarding their health impacts can we level the inequalities in health. Doing so promises economic benefits at a national level, but more importantly, it delivers on a basic human right: the right to health, irrespective of place of birth, ability, or socioeconomic background.



Programme

Health Inequalities in Europe Setting the Stage for Progressive Policy Action

- 13:30 – 13:50 Registration and Light Lunch
- 13:50 – 14:00 Opening Remarks
Ernst Stetter, Secretary General, Foundation for European Progressive Studies
- 14:00 – 15:00 **Lower incomes, lower health: why?**
Richard Wilkinson, Professor Emeritus, University of Nottingham
author of “The Spirit Level” (2008) and “The Inner Level” (2018)
Q&A
- 15:00 – 16:15 **The FEPS-TASC Report on Health Inequalities in Europe:
Key Facts & Findings**
Presentation by:
Timon Forster, Freie Universität Berlin
Alexander Kentikelenis, Bocconi University
Discussants:
László Andor, Senior Fellow, FEPS and former European Commissioner
for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion
Marion Devaux, Health Policy Analyst, Health Division, OECD
Javi López, Member of the European Parliament, S&D Group,
Rapporteur on the EP Report on Combating Inequalities
Chair and Moderation: **Shana Cohen**, Director, TASC
Q&A
- 16:15 – 16:30 **Takeaways for political action**
Maria João Rodrigues, President, FEPS, and Vice-President, S&D Group
at the European Parliament
- 16:30 – 17:00 Coffee Reception