

FEANTSA's *European Observatory on Homelessness* and *Focus Ireland* are pleased to announce the 10th Annual Research Conference on Homelessness in Europe entitled ***Families, Housing and Homelessness***.

The conference *Families, Housing and Homelessness* invites papers on the processes and mechanisms behind family homelessness and housing exclusion, and encourages the discussion of different forms of family homelessness and their links with welfare and housing systems. Also, critical analyses of interventions that tackle family homelessness are welcome.

In addition, the conference will provide specific workshops dedicated to the themes of youth homelessness, lone parents specific issues compared to other risk groups, and gender and homelessness.

Similarly to previous years, the conference will also include open sessions on the broad theme of 'homelessness and housing exclusion' from across Europe and elsewhere. Special sessions for early career researchers will be organised.

Keynote speakers

Prof. Beth Shinn (Vanderbilt Peabody College, USA) is chair of the Department of Human & Organizational Development at the Vanderbilt Peabody College in the US. She has extensive research history on various forms of family and child homelessness and has been exploring methods of preventing homelessness and creating pathways out of homelessness. For example, one of her ongoing research projects includes a 12-site experiment comparing the success of different strategies to house families experiencing homelessness. Her publications in the fields of social psychology, social policy and community work comprise works about various forms of exclusion.

Prof. Eoin O'Sullivan (Trinity College Dublin, Ireland) is Head of School of Social Work and Social Policy, and a member of the European Observatory on Homelessness. He is the Lead Editor of the *European Journal of Homelessness*. His research interests include homelessness, penalization and the confinement of the marginal populations.

Submission Details

Please submit an abstract in English (max. 300 words) by March 10, 2015. Successful conference submissions will be notified by end of March, 2015. Final PowerPoint presentations will be due by end of July 2015. Submissions and further enquiries should be directed to teller@mri.hu. The Conference will be held at Dublin Castle. Speakers and PhD students pay a reduced fee.

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