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# Exploring Diverse Delivery Methods: Distribution of Food and/or Material Assistance, and Voucher Systems

## Key information

Date: 7-8 May 2025

Location: Onsite

## Agenda

Time (CEST)	7 MAY 2025
09:00 - 09:30	<b>Registration and Welcome Coffee</b>
09:30 - 09:40	<b>Opening and Welcome</b> Representative of the Ministry of Social Security and Labor, Lithuania Representative of European Social Fund Agency, Lithuania
09:40 - 10:30	<b>Material Support System in Lithuania</b> The session will present the food and material assistance system in Lithuania, highlighting the recent shift towards combining vouchers with food donations, alongside practical aspects of implementation, coordination, and lessons learned. Auksė Duksienė, Ministry of Social Security and Labor, Lithuania Simonas Gurevičius, Food bank, Lithuania Skaistė Čiurlytė, Lithuanian Red Cross
10:30 - 10:40	<b>Questions &amp; Answers</b>
10:40 - 11:00	<b>Coffee Break</b>
11:00 - 11:30	<b>Keynote Presentation (TBC)</b> Jekaterina Navickė, Vilnius University
11:30 - 11:40	<b>Questions &amp; Answers</b>

11:40 - 12:50	<p><b>Panel Discussion on Material Support Systems</b></p> <p>Representatives from Member States and EU organisations will discuss varied approaches, highlighting the strengths and challenges of the systems in their respective countries.</p>
12:50 - 13:50	<p><b>Lunch</b></p>
13:50 - 18:30	<p><b>Site Visits (Vilnius/Kaunas)</b></p> <p>Participants will be divided into two groups. One group will visit the Food Bank in Vilnius, and the other will visit the Food Bank in Kaunas. In both places, participants will be introduced to the activities carried out by the Food Bank in Lithuania, such as food distribution, social supermarkets, and accompanying measures.</p>
19:00 - 20:30	<p><b>Dinner</b></p>

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09:30 - 09:45	<p><b>Reflection and Feedback on Site Visits</b></p>
09:45 - 10:00	<p><b>Enhancing Participation: Insights from the Recommendation Paper</b></p> <p>This session will present the Recommendation Paper "Strengthening End Beneficiary Participation in Material Support Interventions", highlighting practical suggestions for involving people in need more meaningfully in material support programmes.</p> <p>Rimgailė Baltutė, Lead Thematic Expert of the CoP on Material Support</p>
10:00 - 10:15	<p><b>Questions &amp; Answers</b></p>
10:15 - 10:45	<p><b>Towards a Shared Vision: Insights on Shaping the First - Ever EU Anti-Poverty Strategy</b></p> <p>This session will present perspectives and reflections related to the forthcoming EU Anti-Poverty Strategy, including results from a previous workshop, offering a basis for further exchange during the following discussion.</p> <p>Rimgailė Baltutė, Lead Thematic Expert of the CoP on Material Support Representative from European Anti-Poverty Network, (TBC)</p>
10:45 - 11:15	<p><b>Coffee Break</b></p>
11:15 - 12:30	<p><b>Interactive Workshop on the EU Anti-Poverty Strategy</b></p> <p>This workshop invites participants to share perspectives on how addressing material deprivation and the role of food and/or material support programmes can be reflected in the forthcoming EU Anti-Poverty Strategy. The outcomes of the discussion will contribute to a future Recommendation Paper developed within the Community of Practice.</p>
12:30 - 12:50	<p><b>Presentation After the Workshop</b></p>
12:50 - 13:00	<p><b>Closing Remarks</b></p>
13:00 - 14:00	<p><b>Lunch</b></p>