



East Jour Fixe



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Household financial vulnerabilities in CESEE: what impact has COVID-19 had and how to best measure the changes?

October 12, 2021

1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. (CEST)

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Online workshop

Households across the globe have suffered from earnings reductions in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic. However, some households have been hit harder than others, with big variations between countries. This workshop will provide an overview of these heterogeneities and explore to what extent pre-existing vulnerabilities have been exacerbated or new vulnerabilities have materialized – due to the nature of lockdowns, the industries most affected and development of the pandemic itself. The workshop will primarily draw on survey data and discuss the strengths and limitations of these data in analyzing the impact of the pandemic. It will also provide insights into how combining survey data with other microdata can help overcome limitations.

Preliminary program

1:30 p.m. [Welcome remarks and chair](#)

Birgit Niessner

Director, Economic Analysis and Research Department

Oesterreichische Nationalbank

1:35 p.m. [Keynote speech](#)

[A year of COVID-19: Tracking labour market and financial inequalities through the crisis with the Understanding Society Covid-19 Study](#)

Tom Crossley

Professor

European University Institute

2:15 p.m. [Session 1](#)

Financial vulnerabilities: International comparison

Chair: Peter Lindner

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Fabian Kalleitner

Austrian Corona Panel Project, Institut für Wirtschaftssoziologie, Universität Wien
The Austrian Experience

Zsoka Koczan

European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
Not all in this together? Early estimates of the unequal effects of COVID-19

Alfonso Rosolia

Banca d'Italia
All in it together: The finances of European households through the pandemic.

3:30 p.m. [Coffee break](#)

3:45 p.m. [Session 2](#)
Financial vulnerabilities: Focus on CESEE

Chair: Peter Backé
Oesterreichische Nationalbank

Melanie Koch

Oesterreichische Nationalbank
Households in CESEE and the COVID-19 pandemic: A focus on savings

[Country Case Studies Panel](#)

Merike Kukk
Eesti Pank

Andrej Cupák

Národná banka Slovenska

Piotr Bańbuła

Narodowy Bank Polski

Maja Ilievska

National Bank of the Republic of North Macedonia

5:00 p.m. [End of event](#)