



FÓRUM SOCIAL DO PORTO 2025

Quality Jobs in a Competitive Social Europe *High-Level side-event*

Program
Day 1 – 18th September

08:30 | Arrival of delegations

09:00 – 10:00 | Opening Ceremony

9.00-9.20: Welcome and opening remarks

9.20 - 10.15 Setting the scene: Quality Jobs in a Competitive Social Europe (55 min)

Discussion between a keynote speaker, Roxana Mînzatu, Executive Vice-President for Social Rights and Skills, Quality Jobs and Preparedness and Rosário Palma Ramalho, Minister of Labour, Solidarity and Social Security, Portugal

10:15-10:30 coffee break

10:15 – 11:45 Panel I - Enhancing the implementation of the European Pillar of Social Rights: Competitiveness and Social Fairness, reinforcing each other

Moderated colloquium with Q&A from the moderator and audience

11:30 – 13:00: Panel II- Free and fair labour mobility for a competitive European Union

Moderated colloquium with Q&A from the moderator and audience

13h – 15h - Lunch

In parallel: EVP Minzatu Meeting with PEP between 14.30 and 16.00 (tbc)

15:00 – 16:30: Panel III Building Fair Workplaces: Quality Jobs and a Better Work–Life Balance

Moderated colloquium with Q&A from the moderator and audience

16:30 | Closing Remarks

Inês Domingos, PT Secretary of State for European Affairs

Parallel event: The EU strategy for combating poverty – meeting with People Experiencing Poverty (PEP)

A parallel closed-door meeting of people experiencing poverty will be organised by the European Commission and the European Anti-Poverty Network. The meeting will serve as an opportunity for the Executive Vice-President, Roxana Mînzatu, to consult people experiencing poverty, given the upcoming first-ever European Anti-Poverty Strategy.

Closing remarks: Clara Marques Mendes, PT State Secretary for Social Affairs and Inclusion