



## Webinar

### Advanced Nursing and Midwifery Practice

#### ***What are the Challenges and Facilitators to Advanced Practice in Europe?***

***April 6th 2022, 1400h-1600h CET***

The WHO Regional Office for Europe Nursing and Midwifery team, the European Forum of National Nurses and Midwives Associations (EFNNMA) and the European Federation of Nurses (EFN) invite nurses, midwives and policy makers to this Webinar on Advanced Nursing and Midwifery Practice.

At this time Europe is facing unprecedented challenges due to the pandemic and now the Ukrainian crisis has led to loss of lives and millions of refugees in need of protection and health care. The challenges to our health systems and workforces are immense and growing. Now is the time to act -- to Build better together.

The new Roadmap to guide implementation of the Global Strategic Directions for Nursing and Midwifery in the WHO European Region comes at a pivotal time. This 5-year plan is a blueprint for strengthening health and care in the WHO European Region by enabling the contribution of nurses and midwives themselves.

Nurses and Midwives are the backbone of healthcare. Yet, the *State of the world's nursing* and *State of the world's midwifery* reports show that we still face a wide range of challenges in our Region. The nursing and midwifery professions continue to struggle in terms of recruitment and retention, lack of acceptable working conditions, limited opportunities to work to the full scope of practice and few opportunities for leadership and advanced roles.

This webinar series is designed to support implementation of the WHO Euro Roadmap by focusing on each of the four strategic priorities for development: Education, Jobs, Leadership and Service Delivery. This first webinar puts the spotlight on Advanced Practice—a key priority for better service delivery in our region. The Roadmap calls for:

***Development of legislation and regulation that support the development and implementation of advanced roles in nursing and midwifery and nurse- and midwifery-led care (Roadmap, p 8; <https://www.euro.who.int/en/health-topics/Health-systems/nursing-and-midwifery/publications/2021/building-better-together-roadmap-to-guide-implementation-of-the-global-strategic-directions-for-nursing-and-midwifery-in-the-who-european-region-2021>)***

We ask: What are the challenges and facilitators to advanced practice in Europe? Invited speakers are leaders in Nursing and Midwifery in Europe and the panel offers opportunities for discussion and involvement of the webinar participants.

Russian translation available.

## WEBINAR PROGRAM

- 1400 – 1410 **Welcome** – Technical issues  
Webinar moderator: Dr Karen Bjørø, Board Member of EFNNMA and Vice President II of ICN, Former Vice President II, Norwegian Nurses Organization
- 1410 – 1415 **Welcome**  
Mrs Valentina Sarkisova, President, EFNNMA
- 1415 – 1425 **Welcome and Presentation of the WHO Euro Roadmap to guide implementation of the Global Strategic Directions for Nursing and Midwifery in the WHO European Region**  
By Mrs Maggie Langins, WHO Euro Chief Policy Advisor Nursing and Midwifery
- 1425 – 1440 **A Study on Advanced Practice Roles for Nurses & Midwives in Europe: - challenges, progress and lessons learnt**  
By Mrs Karen Greene, Office of the Chief Nursing Midwifery Officer, Ministry of Health Ireland, and ICN Global Nursing Leadership Institute 2020 Scholar
- 1440 – 1455 **Education of Advanced Practice Nurses and Midwives in Europe**  
By Daniela Lehwaldt, PhD, MSc, PGDipEd, BNS, RGN, RNT, Assistant Professor, Dublin City University, Ireland and Chair of ICN NP/APN Network
- 1455 – 1505 **Advanced Practice Nursing and Midwifery in Eastern Europe**  
By Dr Brigita Skela Savic, Professor, Angela Boškin Faculty of Health Care, Slovenia
- 1505 – 1515 **WHO Euro Policy Brief on Advanced Practice Nursing and Midwifery**  
By Mrs Maggie Langins, WHO Euro Chief Policy Advisor Nursing and Midwifery
- 1515 – 1550 Panel discussion:  
**Meeting the challenges to advanced practice nursing and midwifery**  
  
By Mrs Mervi Jokinen, Vice President, EFNNMA, and former President European Midwives Association  
  
By Dr Jose Cobos Serrano, Vice President III, Spanish Council of Nurses, ICN Board Member, EFNNMA representative, EFN representative  
  
**Questions from participants**
- 1550 – 1600 Concluding remarks

Program is subject to change.

The webinar will be made possible through the Webex platform of the Portuguese Order of Nurses.

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