



“COVID-19 pandemic and public organizations: challenges and opportunities”

ZOOM Workshop

Thursday 26th November 2020, 15:00 – 18:00 (CEST)

ABOUT THE EVENT

In the first half of 2020 – during the first wave of the pandemic – public sector organizations had to resort to various interventions and tactics and introduce new/different communication channels in order to continue to effectively play their roles in relation to service users/parties, as well as to efficiently organize civil servants' tasks. Some of these approaches immediately proved to be a value added also for the future, while others continue to cause problems when searching for a balance between protection of legally defined public interest and exercising private rights.

The international event will bring together speakers - researchers and other interested stakeholders in respect of the main policy and organizational challenges of the Covid-19 pandemic faced by the heads of public sector organizations, public servants, service users/parties, and all other stakeholders of public sector organizations, e.g. other institutions involved in specific administrative procedures. The experiences of the first wave of the pandemic can help us understand the most salient drivers and barriers for classically and remotely run activities, in order to formulate the recommendations for agile operations of public sector organizations and adequate policy responses.

EVENT SCHEDULE

14:55-15:00 Participants connect to the online

15:00-15:10 Addresses by the organiser and welcome speeches

Aleksander Aristovnik | Director, Zavod 14 and University of Ljubljana, Slovenia

Peter Pogačar | Director General at Ministry of Public Administration, Slovenia

15:05-16:55 Workshop I: **Public organizations' adaptation to new working environment during the Covid-19 pandemic - challenges and opportunities**

Covid-19 and public sector organizations – A View from Ministry of Public Administration

Peter Pogačar – Director General at Ministry of Public Administration, Slovenia



Covid-19 and public sector organizations – An International Comparisons

Dejan Ravšelj & Lan Umek – University of Ljubljana, Slovenia

Covid-19 as a driver for digitalized administrative units in Slovenia

Polonca Kovač – University of Ljubljana, Slovenia

Covid-19 and its impact on German public administrations

Bernhard Hirsch & Fabienne-Sophie Schäfer – Bundeswehr University Munich, Germany

Covid-19 and public sector organizations – Case of Czech Republic

Marie Bohata – College of International and Public Relations Prague, Czech Republic

Covid-19 and public sector organizations – An Updated Insight into Turkey’s Pandemic Policy Implementation

Onur Kulac & Cenay Babaoglu – Pamukkale University, Turkey

Moderator: Dejan Ravšelj

16:55-17:00 Break

17:00-17:55 Workshop II: Implications of Covid-19 pandemic on organizational changes and digitalization of public organizations - a call for an adequate policy response

Nina Tomažević | University of Ljubljana, Slovenia

17:55-18:00 Concluding remarks

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