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## European Institutions and Agencies

### European Parliament calls for the European Commission to do more on social exclusion and anti-gypsyism

The European Parliament overwhelmingly voted for the European Commission to bring forward proposals to tackle housing, health, employment and education inequalities, as well as specific binding objectives to improve inclusion, on Thursday 17th September

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### EU strategy for a more effective fight against child sexual abuse

#### European Commission

Child sexual abuse is a particularly serious crime that has wide-ranging and serious life-long consequences for victims. In hurting children, these crimes also cause significant and long term social harm.

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### The European Commission provides guidance on seasonal workers protection in COVID-19

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The European Commission publishes guidance on the protection of seasonal workers in COVID-19.

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Female breast cancer is still estimated to be the most commonly diagnosed cancer

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A EU new report addresses the impact of COVID-19 on education revealing growing inequalities

**European Commission | Report**

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Causes and occurrence of deaths in the EU

**EUROSTAT**

Diseases of the circulatory system are the main cause of deaths in EU, the highest rates have been observed in Bulgaria

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EU Member States face dramatic rise in deaths in early spring

**EUROSTAT**

Dramatic rise in deaths has been noticed in EU Member States. Older persons are the most affected.

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COVID-19 situation update

**European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control**

An update on COVID-19 cases and deaths, based on reports from health authorities provided on a daily basis.

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The EC approves funding for training of healthcare professionals in intensive care skills

**European Commission**

The EC allocates funding to support healthcare professionals in Intensive Care Units in COVID-19.

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International Conference on Promoting Healthy Lifestyles in Europe – from education to practice

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FRA releases a new video addressing the COVID-19 impact on Roma children

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A long way to go for LGBTI equality

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Public Consultation on the integration and inclusion of migrants and people with a migrant background

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Public Consultation on the European Child Guarantee

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## International Organisations

WHO/Europe and the European Commission agree future common action in 5 key areas

WHO/Europe

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Second implementation report on the Strategy on the Rights of the Child (2016-2021)

Council of Europe

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Inclusion and education: all means all

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All Hands In? Making Diversity Work for All

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"Education at a Glance 2020 OECD Indicators"

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Childhood care and early childhood development are greatly affected by COVID-19

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## World Health Organization

[WHO's guidance on COVID-19](#)

[Mental Health in the focus of new WHO flagship initiatives](#)

[90% of countries worldwide report disruptions to essential health services since COVID-19 pandemic](#)

[Ministers back 5-year plan to put health in Europe on track](#)

[2 in 5 schools around the world lacked basic handwashing facilities - major challenge for COVID-19 prevention](#)

[A new WHO/Europe unit aims to encourage national authorities to design more effective health interventions in line with population's needs](#)

[COVID-19 impact on services, staff, service users and residents with psychosocial and intellectual disabilities](#)

[Access to HIV medicines severely impacted by COVID-19](#)

## Civil Society

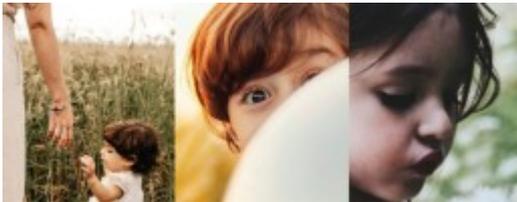
### More Roma professionals are needed to improve healthcare for Roma

#### European Public Health Alliance

In Slovakia, as elsewhere in Europe segregated Roma face much greater difficulties accessing and receiving standard healthcare services compared to other citizens.

An new briefing by EPHA Roma Fellow, Marcela Adamova and Andrej Belak, Institute of Ethnology and Social Anthropology, Slovak Academy of Sciences makes the case for more Roma healthcare professionals to break the cycle of anti-gypsyism, segregation, and poor health outcomes for Roma.

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### Healthy from the beginning: ensuring a good start in life for all Roma children

#### European Public Health Alliance

Tackling inequalities in health, education and living conditions from the first years of life must be a priority for the EU's post-2020 Roma Equality and Inclusion Framework as well as the National Strategies which will be developed by EU Member States.

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### The Marmot Review 10 Years On: New EPHA study on its lessons for the European Union

#### European Public Health Alliance

A new EPHA study takes the findings of the latest Marmot Review and considers them in an European context.

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## Eurochild calls on EU policy makers to eradicate child poverty across Europe

### EUROCHILD

Eurochild urges EU leaders to act against child poverty exacerbated by the pandemic.

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## The European AIDS Treatment Group presents its third Rapid Assessment Bulletin on COVID-19

### European AIDS Treatment |Group

The rapid assessment confirms that COVID-19 is not socially neutral, and it is disproportionately affecting and exploiting existing inequalities.

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## Human Rights 360 is launching a new legal aid programme to support vulnerable groups

### Human Rights 360

The “Street Lawyering” programme is providing legal aid in vulnerable groups of people/persons such as homeless, users of psychoactive substances and sex workers to reduce inequalities in access to justice.

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## Housing Exclusion in Europe

### FEANTSA

700,000 people face homelessness every night in the European Union, representing a 70% increase in ten years.

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## The role of Social Economy in supporting Roma social and economic inclusion in a Covid-19 context

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## COVID-19 in marginalised groups: challenges, actions and voices

### Nobody Left Outside

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## Academia

### NCDI Poverty at a time of COVID-19

#### The Lancet

Overcoming poverty is not a gesture of charity. It is an act of justice. It is the protection of a fundamental human right to dignity and decent life.

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### Building Meaningful Community Advocacy for Ethnic-based Health Equity

#### Willey Online Library

The multiple social inequities that Roma experience and the cumulative effect on their health prove that the failure of health policies that impact Roma must be attributed to their ameliorative nature.

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## Addressing racial inequalities in a pandemic: data limitations and a call for critical analyses

**The Lancet**

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## Reframing the NCD agenda: a matter of justice and equity

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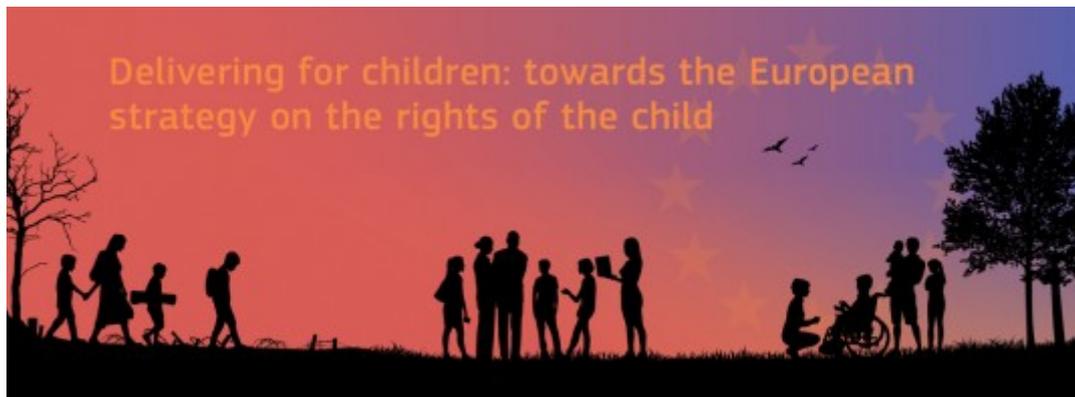
## COVID-19 Crisis: Impact on Households of the Roma Community

**International Journal of Roma Studies**

An analysis of the COVID-19 impact on Roma, showing results of telephone interviews with Roma households.

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## Events



## Delivering for children: towards the European Strategy for the rights of the child

**European Commission** | The 13th European Forum on the Rights of the Child will take place between 29 Sep 2020 - 1 Oct 2020.

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## Public health for the future of humanity: analysis, advocacy and action

**EUPHA** | The 16th World Congress on Public Health 2020 will take place online between 12 and 16 October 2020

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## Media

[Roma equality strategy needs mandatory targets and earmarked funding, experts say](#) - *Euractiv*

[Lockdowns could have long-term effects on children's health](#) - *The Economist*

[Schuman's European Health Community and Covid-19](#) - *The Brussels Times*

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