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# WISE

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## We are back!

The WISE partnership is back with some news about the project and all the information regarding these past few months. As you already know, the WISE project aims at integrating women to the labour market, through practices of Social Enterprise.

## What we've been up to

During these last difficult months, the partners of the WISE project have not stopped working on its development, although they have been affected by the situation as everyone else. The partnership was supposed to carry out the **first training of the project** in July, but due to the impact of CoVid-19, this activity has been postponed for now. Currently, we are finalising **IO1** (Contemporary Comparative Study on Social Enterprises in EU economies and the role of Women within these enterprises); and we have already started to work on the contents for **IO2**, the European Training Module "What are social enterprises and why do they enable women to develop their own labour market opportunities".



## How has CoVid-19 affected women?

In these months, several organisations and institutions have seen, through different studies, that **the disease has affected women way more than it has affected men.**



Women tend to have less stable jobs, as well as less salary and savings; this is why, **economically**, they have been more impacted. Also, as usually they are the ones supposed to take care of the house and family, it will be most likely that they are the ones that lose their jobs. When talking about **health**, women are at a greater risk of exposure due to occupational sex-segregation. Globally, women tend to have job positions such as nurses, midwives, cleaners, catering staff, etc., putting them on the front line.

Another aspect to be mentioned is **gender-based violence and its victims**, which have been really affected during this past few months. With many countries in severe lockdown, many women suffering from this kind of violence have seen themselves trapped with their abusers all day long. Although it's still early to have comprehensive data, some countries are reporting an increase of the 25% in this kind of cases. All these

information has been extracted from a document developed by the UN: **Policy Brief: The Impact of COVID-19 on Women.**



### Next steps

The partnership will keep on working to ensure the proper development of the project. All of the organisations have been affected by the situation in one way or another; and some of the activities have been modified, making them virtual instead of face to face. It is true that there have been some minor delays and difficulties emerging from this strange situation, but all partners have been putting on a great effort and collaborating more than ever to ensure that everything runs as smoothly as possible. **Will you keep with us in during the rest of the path?**



### More information

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