

Impacts of COVID-19 in Europe: perspectives from the social sciences

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Epidemiologists, virologists and hospital physicians have played a key role in advising government policy in response to COVID-19 in Europe. The voices of health economists, health services researchers, sociologists and political scientists have played a less prominent role, even in the public debate. What are the possible consequences of excluded knowledge, both in terms of (future) policy and knowledge production?

The upcoming meeting calls for research on the impact of COVID-19 on population health, health systems and decision-making across Europe. These include issues linked to challenges of care delivery during the pandemic, ways of improving the resilience of care systems, spill-over effects and costs of strategies to contain the spread of the virus, including the impact on individual's physical and mental wellbeing. We encourage cross country analysis and welcome researchers from a variety of backgrounds, including but not limited to economics, health services research, sociology, political sciences and psychology.

The European Health Policy Group is a multidisciplinary network that aims to stimulate international collaboration and learning through comparative analysis of changes to health care systems in Europe. The group meets twice a year to discuss research papers, which will be presented by a discussant followed by a group discussion.

Abstracts can be submitted until **29 March 2021** and should be sent via email to **Rocco Friebe** (R.FRIEBEL@LSE.AC.UK). Authors will be advised if they have been successful by **5 April 2021** with draft papers or long abstracts (4-5 pages outlining the key elements in a structured approach) to be shared by **10 May 2021**. We encourage submissions from early career researchers.