



**CA18123 – The European Family Support Network. A bottom-up,  
evidence-based and multidisciplinary approach**

**(EurofamNet)**

Belgrade (Serbia), 2023 May 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>

**Training school**

**FAMILY SUPPORT SKILLS:**

**Creating an agenda for family workforce skills  
research development**



Training schools (TS) are a COST Action tool focused on the development of early career researchers, particularly those involved in PhD studies and in post-doctoral roles. The purpose of EurofamNet Training Schools is to contribute with high quality training of the future generations of European researchers in the field of family support from an evidence-based and pluralistic approach.

**The purpose** of the training school Family Support Skills is to contribute with high quality training of the future generations of European researchers by addressing the challenges of conceptualization and research in the family support workforce skills and to start creating a future agenda for family workforce skills research development. The training school will be a combination of lectures and active participation of attendees.

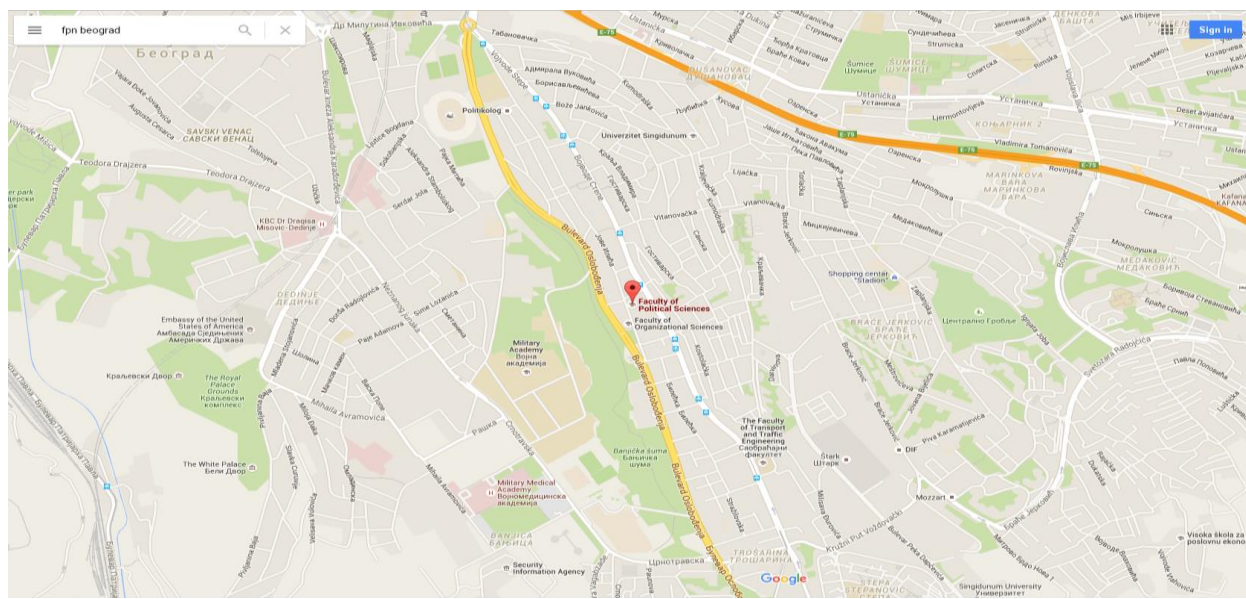
### **Participants**

**Participants:** Belgrade Training school gathers selected young researchers and PhD students from European countries who are directly engaged or have already well-developed research interests in the field of family support, including parenting support.

**Selected participants need to prepare** a poster with their research project presentation, which must be related to family support. Final topics in the poster must include: implications of their research for the family support workforce skills research and /or practice or challenges related to this.

## Venue

The Training School “Family Support Skills: Creating an agenda for family workforce skills research development” will take a place at the Faculty of Political Science University of Belgrade <https://www.fpn.bg.ac.rs/> (Room 3).



**Address:** Jove Ilica Street 165 (part of the city called Vozdovac, about 5 km from the city centre)

**Public transport:** Bus/tram lines from downtown (Slavija Square): 33, 9, 10, 14 (name of the stop closest to the Faculty of Political Science: Petrovačka)

Minivan E9, from the Terazije Square – you should tell the driver where to stop (after Vitanovačka). Tickets are purchased from the driver.

If you have Android phone, you can download a free app that will tell you how far away the bus or tram is. In Google play type in *Busplus*. This app is not available for iPhone users. Alternatively, every bus station has a number that you can type in to check how far is the bus or tram. This number is stated on each bus station (you type in \*number of bus station#). This service will charge small amount of money (less than 10 cents) from your phone operator each time you use it.

**Taxi:** Approximate price from downtown: RSD 1,100 (about 9.5 EUR). You can download the app for the taxi in google play (for Android) or App store (for iPhone). Just type in Naxis Taxi. The app doesn't require registration of a credit card, and it has options to pay with both cash and card.

Alternatively: CarGo service: [https://appcargo.com/en/cargo-2/#pll\\_switcher](https://appcargo.com/en/cargo-2/#pll_switcher), similar to Uber. This app requires registration of your credit card and you can pay only through application, no cash payment possible.

## Logistics

### **Reimbursement rules**

Participants will be reimbursed according to COST rules. According to COST rules, the daily allowance rate for Serbia is 191€. That rate is aimed to cover accommodation, lunches, dinners and local transport (see further information at the Daily Allowance Table: [https://www.cost.eu/uploads/2022/04/2022\\_Daily-allowance-table.pdf](https://www.cost.eu/uploads/2022/04/2022_Daily-allowance-table.pdf)).

Apart from the daily allowance rate, the Action will support the long-distance travelling costs by choosing the most economical means of transportation. Please, read carefully the travel reimbursement rules at pages 84-90 of the COST Annotated Rules (<https://www.cost.eu/uploads/2022/12/COST-094-21-Annotated-Rules-for-COST-Actions-Level-C-V1.3.pdf>).

No invoices are needed to justify daily allowance rate, although COST recommend to keep all the invoices. In any case, you will need to provide long-distance travelling itineraries and invoices in order to be reimbursed according to COST rules.

Be aware that cancellation insurance fees are eligible to be reimbursed and COST recommends buying them. Travelling derogations are also covered by COST.

Neither COVID-19 or antigen test are covered by COST, even if requested from the local authorities.

### **Meals**

Coffee breaks will be served at the meeting room. Lunches will be served in the premises of the Faculty. It is proposed to have lunch together, although each participant will pay for their own lunch as part of the daily allowance rate provided by COST. Each participant will pay for their own dinner as part of the daily allowance rate provided by COST.

On the evening of the May 10th, there will be a joint dinner suggested for all the meeting participants. A restaurant will be booked by the Local Organiser. Dinner cost is approximately 35€. Each participant will pay for their own dinner as part of the daily allowance rate provided by COST.

### **City tour**

On the evening of the May 9th, Local Organiser will provide a city tour of Belgrade.

**Confirmation** is required for lunches, city tour and dinners before April 24th here: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/12b6ly4XipprkxNeazwriIfikzOybnxYV-6pQtiG-X7Q>

## **Suggested accommodation**

Due to the high demand and influx of tourists expected for the planned date, it is recommended to book accommodation as early as possible.

The following hotels are situated in the city center:

Mama Shelter Belgrade: <https://mamashelter.com/>

Belgrade Art Hotel, a Member of Radisson Individuals:  
<https://www.radissonhotels.com/en-us/hotels/radisson-individuals-belgrade-arthotel>

Museum: <https://hotelmuseum.rs/>

Envoy: <https://www.envoy-hotel.com/>

Near the Faculty:

Hotel M: <https://www.hotel-m.com/en/>

Accommodation is recommended in the city center. We do not recommend accommodation in the New Belgrade part of the city, due to possible traffic jams when arriving at the Faculty and social events.

## **WIFI**

The meeting room at Faculty of Political Science (Room 3) is equipped with WIFI. Attendees who are on Eduroam can access automatically, for those who are not, the password will be provided at the meeting venue.

### Draft agenda (local time)

Tuesday, 9th May		
THEMATIC SESSION: FAMILY WORKFORCE SKILLS - CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK		
8.30h	Registration & Welcome	Registration desk
9.00h	Welcome and Opening ceremony	Lucía Jiménez & John Canavan, <i>University of Seville, Galway University</i> Nevenka Žegarac, <i>University of Belgrade</i>
9.30h	<b>Lecture</b> Conceptualization of family support workforce skills	John Canavan, <i>Galway University</i>
10.30h	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11.00h	<b>Poster workshop</b> 7 trainees	Discussants
13.00h	<i>Lunch time</i>	
14.30h	<b>Lecture</b> Family support workforce skills in empirical research	Cristina Nunes, <i>University of Algarve</i> Anita Burgund Isakov, <i>University of Belgrade</i>
15.30h	<i>Coffee break</i>	
16.00h – 17:00h	<b>Lecture</b> Sampling issues in large and small scale family support workforce skills research	Catia Martins <i>University of Algarve</i>
18:00	<i>Tour</i>	<i>Confirmation required</i>

Wednesday, 10th May		
THEMATIC SESSION: METHODOLOGICAL CHALLENGES IN FS SKILLS RESEARCH		
9.00h	Poster session preparation	<i>Trainees</i>
9.30h	<b>Lecture</b> Assessment of family support workforce skills	Lucía Jiménez, <i>University of Seville</i> Raquel Amaya Martínez González, <i>University of Oviedo</i>
10.30h	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11.00h	<b>Poster workshop</b> 7 trainees	Discussants
13.00h	<i>Lunch time</i>	
14.30h	<b>Lecture</b> Qualitative and creative methods in skills research	Nevenka Zegarac, <i>University of Belgrade</i> Nina Mesl, <i>University of Ljubljana</i>
15.30h	<i>Coffee break</i>	
16.00h – 17:00h	Group discussion <b>Table 1:</b> Including voices of family and children <b>Table 2:</b> Including the voices of policy and practice <b>Table 3:</b> Family support skills and evidence based-practice	
19:00	<i>Training school dinner</i>	<i>Confirmation required</i>

**Thursday 11th May**

**THEMATIC SESSION: AGENDA FOR FAMILY WORKFORCE SKILLS RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT**

9.00h	Poster session preparation	<i>Trainees</i>
9.30h	<b>Lecture</b> Context of family support workforce skills research: Policy and practice reflection	Andy Lloyds <i>Leeds City Council</i>
10.30h	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11.00h	<b>Poster workshop</b> 6 trainees	Discussants
13.00h	<i>Lunch time</i>	
14.30h	<b>Guided discussion and small group work</b> Creation of agenda for future research in Family Support workforce skills development in different fields	Cristina Nunes, <i>University of Algarve</i> Nina Mesl, <i>University of Ljubljana</i> Andy Lloyds, <i>Leeds City Council</i>
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## **Other practical information**

### **Transfer from/to the airport**

The price of taxi service from the airport is divided into several zones ([https://beg.aero/eng/parking\\_access/transport/taxi\\_service](https://beg.aero/eng/parking_access/transport/taxi_service)). Please contact the city service TAXI INFO desk, located at the international arrivals. Please take a taxi voucher at the information desk which contains the name of your destination and appropriate price for the taxi service. The staff at the desk will direct you to your driver. The price from the airport to downtown should be about 3,000 RSD (payable in EUR as well- about 25 euro) – you will pay to the driver. The use of this service is highly recommendable, since you might be charged even double if deciding to take taxi randomly.

There is also some public transportation to city centre from airport:

#### **A1 Mini bus**

Route: Airport – Slavija Square (Kralja Milutina Street) – Airport

Ticket price - RSD 400 (on the bus); Approximate travel time - 30 minutes

#### **Public Transportation Line 72**

Route: Airport-Zeleni venac Square

Ticket price - RSD89 (if purchased on the kiosk), RSD150 (if purchased on the bus)

Approximate travel time - 30–40 minutes

### **Currency and payments**

Local currency is dinar (RSD). The exchange rate is around 117.30 RSD for 1 EUR. There are many exchange offices all around the city, with almost the same exchange rates and without commission. The exchange rate might be slightly less favorable at the airport exchange offices, in hotels and banks.

Credit cards are accepted in majority of shops and restaurants. ATMs for cash withdrawal are available for 24 hours.

### **Electricity**

The voltage in Serbia is 220 Volts. The electric socket used is the European CEE7/7 with two holes, so if your equipment uses different sockets, make sure that you bring correct adapters.

**Tap water** is safe for drinking.

### **Emergency phones**

Police: 192. Ambulance: 194

The area code for Belgrade is +381 11.



## What to do and see in Belgrade

### **Explore Kalemegdan fortress**

The Belgrade Fortress consists of the old citadel (Upper and Lower Town) and Kalemegdan Park (Large and Little Kalemegdan) on the confluence of the Sava and Danube rivers, in an urban area of modern Belgrade. Located in Belgrade's municipality of Stari grad, the fortress constitutes the specific historical core of the city. As one of the most important representatives of Belgrade's cultural heritage, it was originally protected right after World War II, among the first officially declared cultural monuments in Serbia. The fortress was declared a Monument of Culture of Exceptional Importance in 1979, and is protected by the Republic of Serbia. The admission to the whole Kalemegdan is free. Make sure to visit Ruzica church which is located at the northeast walls of the Belgrade Fortress and is the oldest church in the city. Location on the map: <https://goo.gl/maps/XWzh5GufK9A34FPu8>



**Kalemegdan fortress**

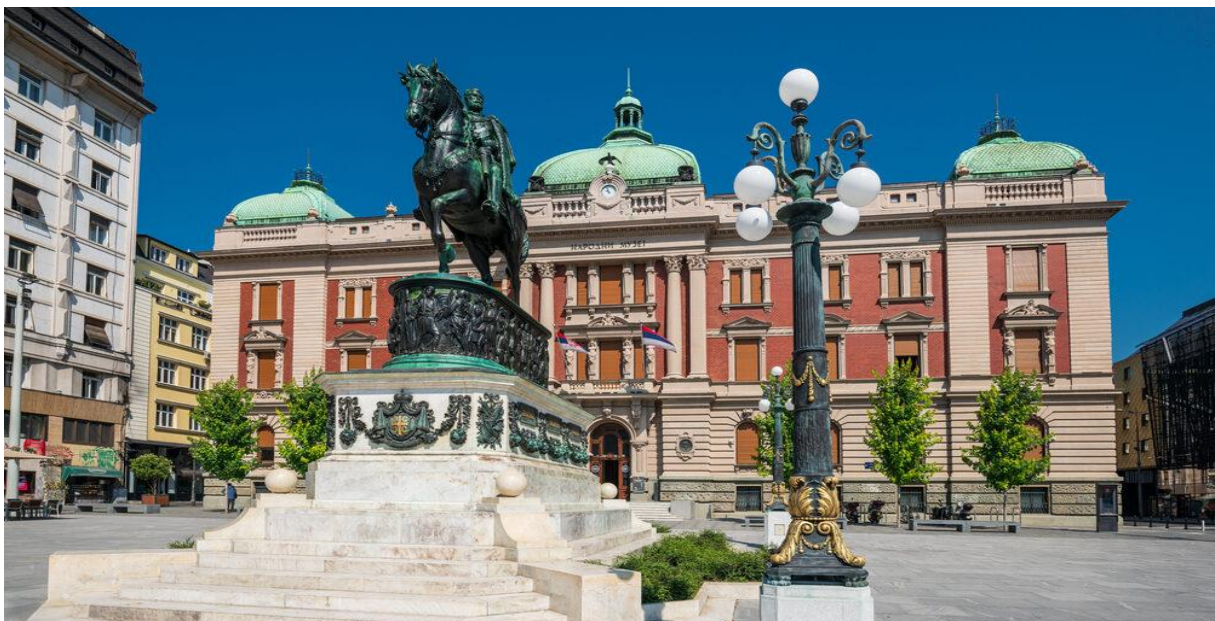
### **Knez Mihailova Street, Republic Square**

As you exit Kalemegdan fortress you will come across Knez Mihailova street is a pedestrianised street and somewhere for Belgradians to shop and go out. This street is full of shops, boutiques, restaurants, cafes and bars. At the top of the street you can turn left and get to the Republic Square, one of the city's most important landmarks

and a business district where Belgrade is at its most dynamic. More than 20 trolleybus and bus lines converge at this one place, so it's the meet-up of choice for many Belgradians. The Serbian National Theatre and National Museum are here, as is the Prince Mihailo Monument. From there you can take a short walk to Skadarlija and also House of the National Assembly, the finest and most photogenic building in Belgrade. Location on the map: <https://goo.gl/maps/TrW8PiLTKEwRSugB6>



Republic Square



Knez Mihailova Street





House of the National Assembly

### Skadarlija

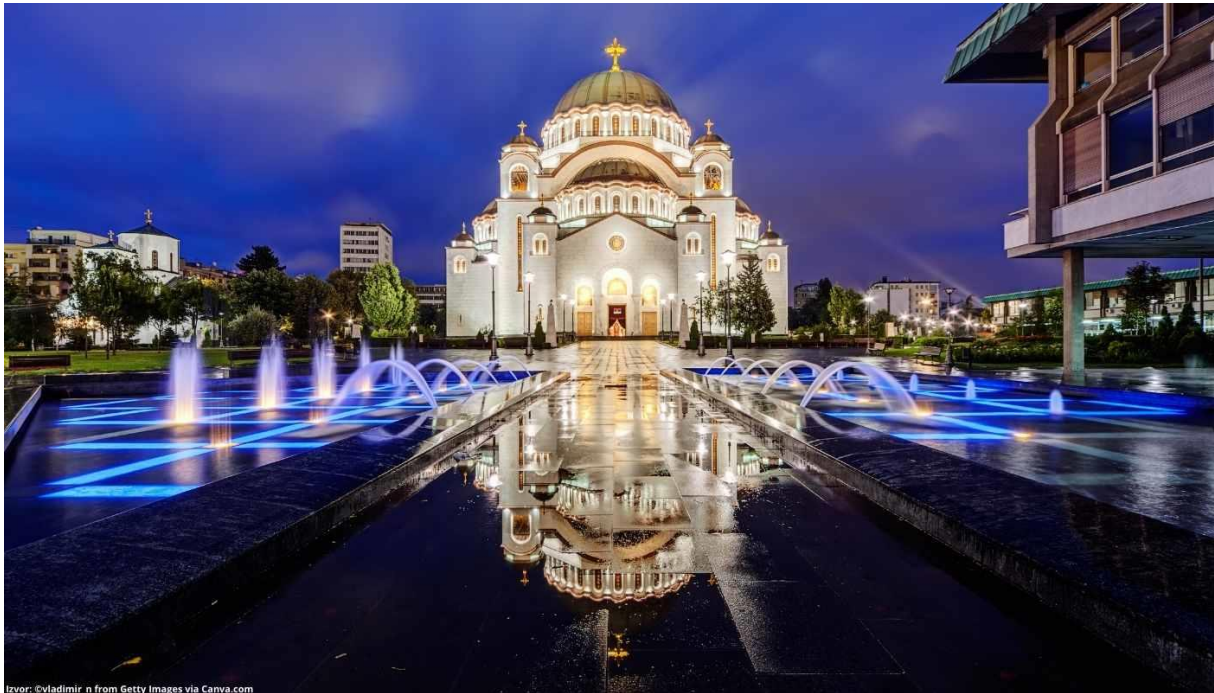
Stroll down the last bohemian quarter in Belgrade. The neighbourhood of Skadarlija is known as the bohemian side of Belgrade, so much different than the rest of the city. Its heart is Skadarska street – a 400-meters long cobbled lane full of attractions. You will find there numerous restaurants, art galleries, or antique shops – Skadarlija is known as Belgrade’s Montmartre, and you can surely feel the artistic vibe there. This is a perfect place for a slow wander around and the benches lined along the street welcome visitors to sit down and relax. Location on the map: <https://goo.gl/maps/b6J5h8cschocsJ4g8>



Skadarlija

## Saint Sava Temple

The largest Orthodox Church in the Balkan region, and the second largest in the world, St Sava is an ever-present monument in Serbia's capital. High on the Vračar plateau, you can see the church's white granite and marble walls from any approach to Belgrade, while the 50 bells that sound noon ring out across the city. The temple is built on the site where the Ottoman Grand Vizier Sinan Pasha burned St Sava's relics after his icon had graced flags during a Serbian uprising in 1594. Construction began in 1935, 340 years after that event, and ended in 1989. The biggest challenge was raising the central dome, all 4,000 tons of which was assembled on the ground and hoisted into place. Location on the map: <https://goo.gl/maps/xdj1QFE3vp6123yo6>



**Saint Sava Temple**

## Museums to visit:

### Nikola Tesla Museum

This museum presents the life and work of the great physicist, inventor and electrical engineer and Serbian national hero. The exhibition is in two main sections: The first is a study of Tesla the man, sourcing personal effects, photographs and correspondence to paint a clearer picture of his life and travels. The second is an often-interactive exhibition of his work, with either originals, 3D renders or fully-functioning reproductions like an induction coil producing discharges at 500,000 volts. For deeper scientific rigor you can take the English-speaking tour, given by students from Belgrade University's Engineering Department. The museum is open every day from 10AM to 8PM, and the price is 400 RSD (around 4 euros). The museum is located in Vračar from where you can take a short walk to Saint Sava Temple. Location on the map: <https://goo.gl/maps/YwYP4FkKz7LUnjHs5>



### Museum of Yugoslav History

Another contentious but informative attraction is the mausoleum of former authoritarian President Josip Broz Tito, and the museum that was set up around it in the 2000s. This covers the history of the former country of Yugoslavia, which as you'd expect inspires a gamut of emotions and memories, but in Belgrade these are generally positive. The museum is the equivalent of a Presidential library and exhibits all of the gifts Tito amassed during his rule from 1953 to 1980. There are more than 200,000 artefacts in total, and among the many things worth tracking down are the ceremonial batons used in relays to mark Tito's birthday every year. The museum is open every day from 10AM to 6PM, and the price of the ticket is 400 RSD (around 4 euros). Location on the map: <https://goo.gl/maps/vFoYKsH6Vq8vvgbLY6>

### National Museum

The National Museum in Belgrade, museum of a complex type, the most significant, the oldest and central Serbian museum, after a hundred and sixty years of growth and development – from collecting rarities to comprehensive presentation of cultural heritage of Serbia, central Balkans and Europe – has 34 archaeological, numismatic, artistic and historical collections today. The Museum's collections have over 400,000 most representative and superior archaeological, historical and art works today – the most significant evidence for understanding of archaeology and history of art, representing development and changes of civilization in the territory of today's Serbia and its immediate surroundings, from prehistoric times to late medieval period, as well as crucial artistic tendencies and styles, supreme artistic merits in national and European art, from medieval period to contemporary works. Admission fee is RSD 300 (around 3 euros) and the museum is open from 10AM to 6PM. Location on the map: <https://goo.gl/maps/XR8fU1xd9zH2wd9Q6>

### **If you have any question or concern, please contact us:**

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