

**Question for written answer E-002063/2022
to the Commission**

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Subject: Housing First

For more than 10 years, several Member States have been successfully following the Housing First methodological approach, a priority strategy to fight homelessness. Housing First has proven to be one of the first and most successful structural steps in the fight against extreme poverty, which has been confirmed by several studies and experts¹.

Its most important achievement is giving a positive and decisive impulse to the improvement of the health and general well-being of homeless people by providing the necessary conditions for their social reintegration.

1. Can the Commission provide a clear overview of best practices in the Member States?
2. Will it further facilitate and support this Housing First principle in the near future, given its great success, namely under the European Platform on Combatting Homelessness?
3. Will it encourage Member States where Housing First has not yet been implemented to look into this principle and set up Housing First projects, namely with the support of the European Social Fund Plus?

¹ <https://housingfirsteurope.eu/guide/what-is-housing-first/the-evidence-for-housing-first/>