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Just Transition Belgian Presidency

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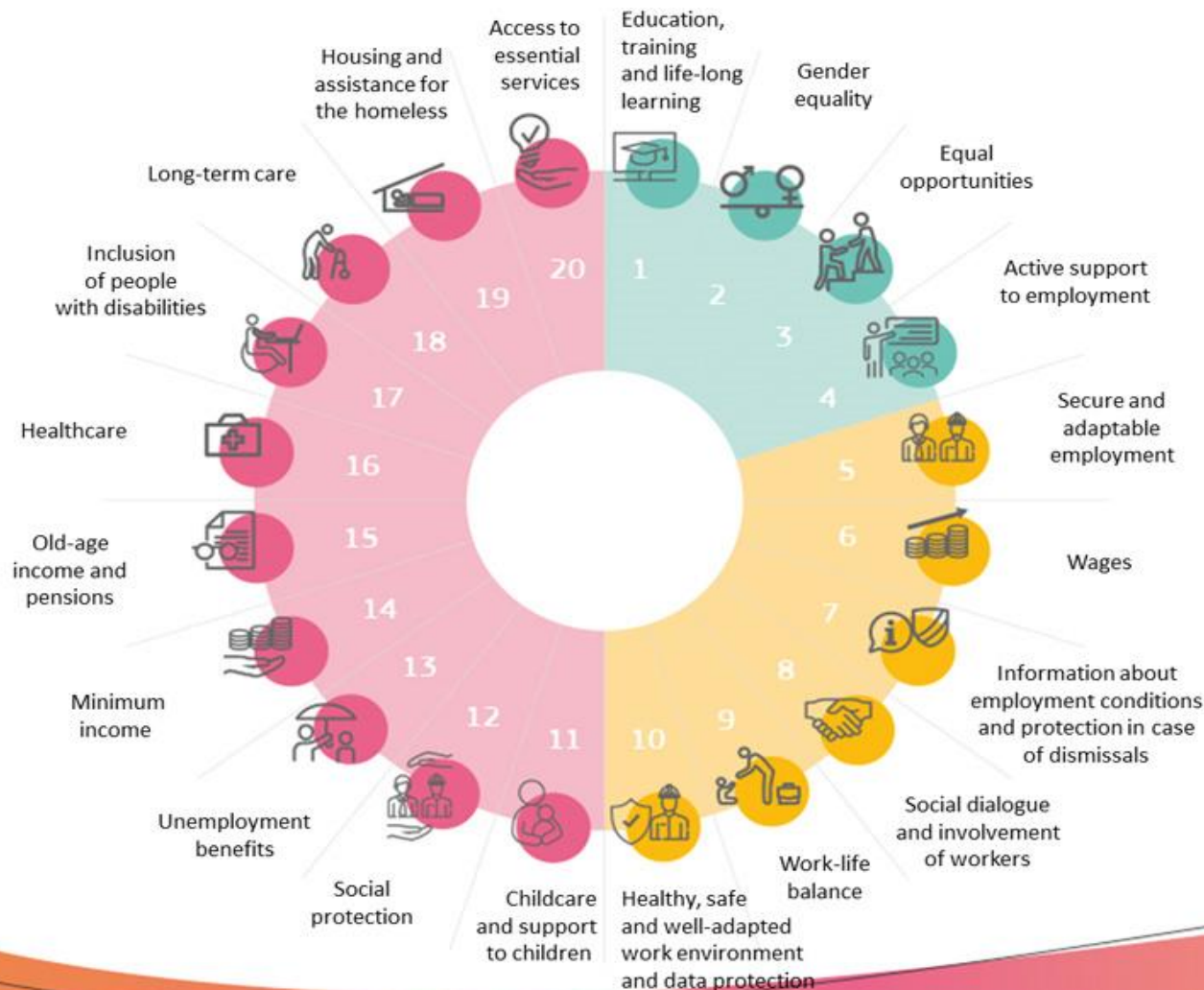
The European just transition tripod



- **Eco** => Green Deal
- **Social** => European Pillar of social rights
- **Participative** => Aarhus Convention

“No one left behind”

#SocialRights

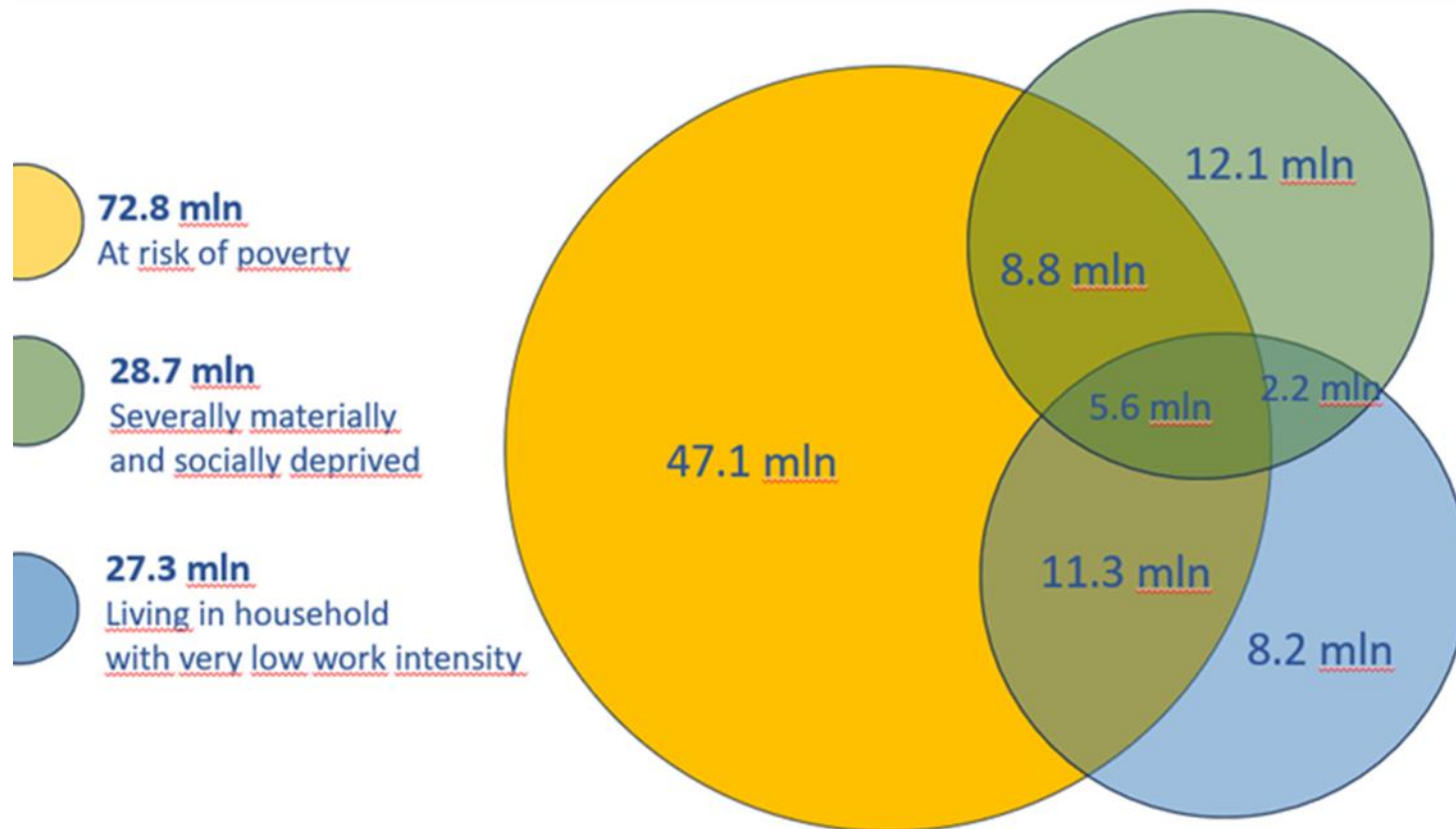


Your social rights at a glance

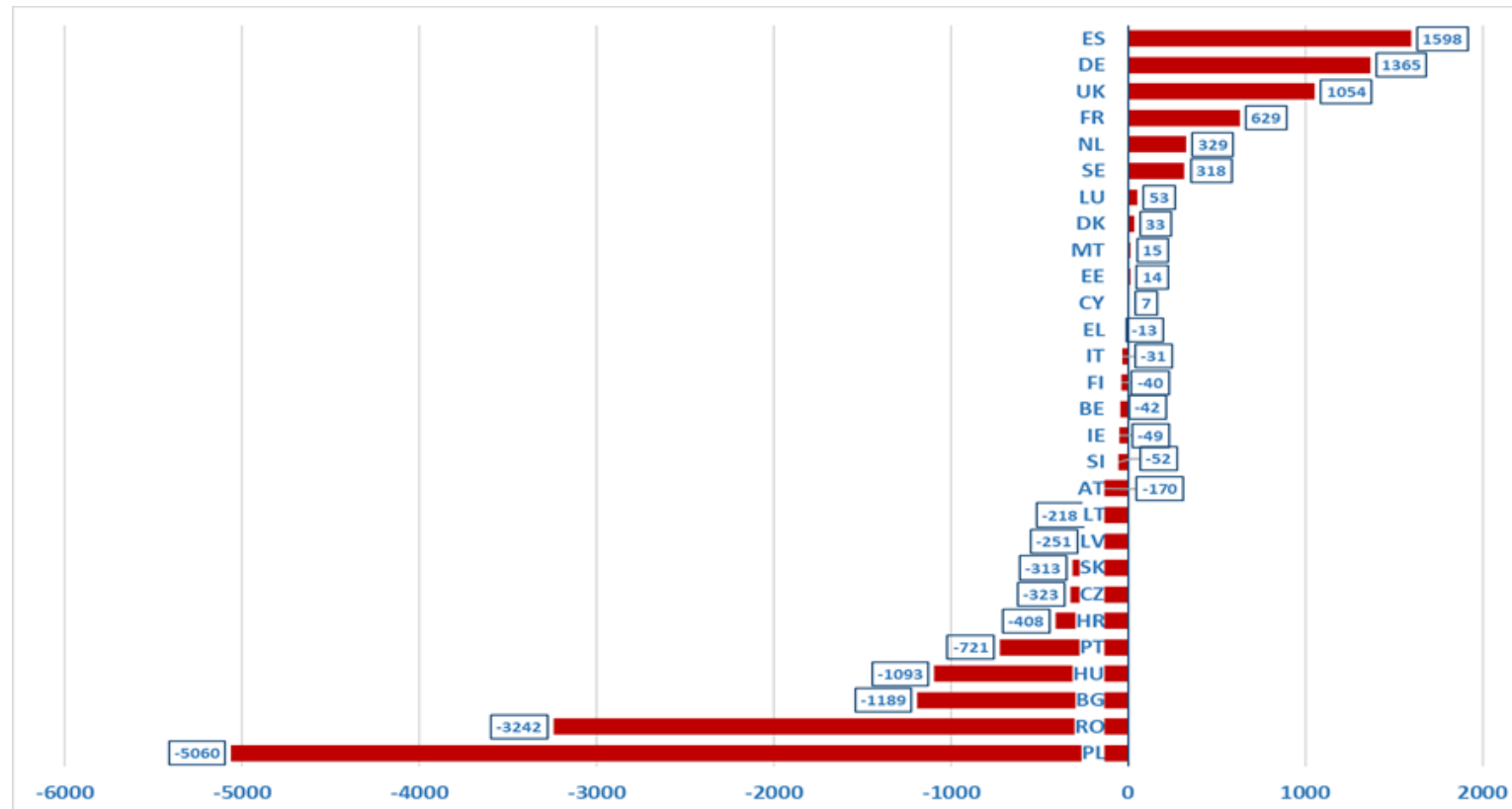


European Commission

The EPSR poverty target : reduce the number of people at risk of poverty or social exclusion by at least 15 million by 2030



Change in the number of AROPE individuals between 2008 and 2020 in EU member states, thousand persons



- The poor cannot afford climate investments nor price increases
- Energy and mobility poverty
- Funding the investments to achieve the objectives of the Green Deal might compromise the social objectives
- Climate policies might increase poverty & social inclusion

Towards a socio-ecological welfare state

- Instruments that jointly serve environmental and social objectives (e.g. social housing, public transport)
- Social environmental policy (e.g. Social Investment Fund)
- Ecological social policy (e.g. greening the social infrastructure)
- Strengthening social security and social investment
- Broadening the financial base
- Strengthening protection mechanisms in case of calamities
- Strengthening participation

Which roles for Europe?

- **Guarantor** : strenghtening social rights (e.g. a Directive on minimum incomes)
- **Guide** : strenghtening the social monitoring of ecological policies & the ecological monitoring of social policies
- **Supporter** : making the distribution of funds more conditional on ecological and social criteria

These roles could be strengthened at EU!

Include environmental objectives/policies in social monitoring (e.g. indicators on energy poverty or measuring the impact of climate policies on poverty and social exclusion)

Include social objectives/policies in the climate assessment

→ Just transition **mainstreamed** in NECP

Include climate objectives in the distribution of social funds.

Strengthen the focus on Just transition in.. The « territorial just transition plans ».

Strengthen participation, especially and urgently in terms of the interpretation of the use of the Social Climate Fund.