

# Developmental Welfare State

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- European Systems
- Ireland - Hybrid
- Services
- Income Supports
- Activist Measures



- “Developmental”
- “Welfare State”
- Economic/social balance
- Lifecycle

# Employment Success?

- Continuing high benefit dependency
- Different categories
- Longer duration
- Social problems
- Disadvantaged areas



# D.W.S. Vision

- High participation
- High skilled
- High performance
- Holistic

# Economic Assets

Ending:

- child poverty
- educational disadvantage
- social exclusion

Access Services v. Higher income

Activist measures: R&D, CV sector

Health expenditure: still a problem

Low social spend: IRL v. EU

High reliance on means testing

# **Low at-risk-of-poverty rates**

Transfer plus market income

Employment in households

Net wage in low productive jobs

Rates of social welfare payments

Short v. long duration of S.W.payment



## Paradigm Shift: Services

Crisis-oriented > balance  
prevention/intervention

“One size fits all” > assumption of  
need for diversity

Compliance with rules >  
attainment of standards

# Paradigm Shift: Income Support

Priority to contingencies >  
individual tailoring

Max. pmts. based on means-  
testing etc. > participation needs

Priority to out-of-work benefits >  
in-work benefits



## Paradigm Shift: Activist Measures

Disadvantage obvious > problematic

Homogenous subgroups >  
heterogeneous individuals

Ownership of part of problem > whole

Compensating for individual's lacks >  
realising rights



# Services

Education/Training

Health

Childcare/Eldercare

Housing

Transport

Employment Services

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