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**Abstract** De afgelopen dertig jaar zijn diverse sociale hervormingen doorgevoerd in Europa. A Long Goodbye to Bismarckian Welfare States (other language) Oostenrijk, Frankrijk, België, Nederland, Spanje, Italië, Zwitserland, Tsjechië, Hongarije, Polen en Slowakije hebben doorgevoerd in hun zorgstelsel. De oudere structuren, gebaseerd op de eerste sociale zorgstelsels aanpakten de maatschappelijke behoeften. Zo is met de emancipatie van werknemers de hiërarchische structuur veranderd. Tegenwoordig hebben veel landen een duaal systeem dat onderscheid maakt tussen bescherming van 'atypische' deelnemers aan de samenleving.

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