



LUX'09 RIPESS INEES
PROGRAMME (EN)

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Roland Schreiner,

Deputy mayor of Schiffflange, Luxembourg:

"I am very attached to the social and solidarity economy and I am extremely proud and happy to host these fourth world meetings in our small municipality of Schiffflange. This will enable us to establish a better link between the citizens and this third economic pillar, which is a relatively young notion in Luxembourg and which offers many prospects for the future."

Romain Bieber,

President, INEES, Luxembourg.

"We have been working for years at the local level to organise and to produce goods and services in a different way in order to meet with needs that are not satisfied by either the public or the private economy. The real challenge for the social and the solidarity economy is to improve people's well-being. This requires us to rethink our methods of governance in the territories and to develop a citizens' education system so as to enable each individual to be a fully-fledged member of the community in which they live."

Eric Lavillunière,

General coordinator of Lux'09, Luxembourg.

"Rather than being a congress, Lux'09 is a gathering of men and women, from all continents, who are going to share their experiences and their ideas and are going to collectively develop a joint vision of their future in these troubled times in which it is particularly urgent to reflect on different ways of doing things, of thinking and of acting."

Nedda Angulo,

Coordinator, RIPESS, Peru.

"With this 4th international forum, the RIPESS wishes to mark a stage in its history in order to show that, today, the social and solidarity economy is an essential partner in the construction of a new world order that is more respectful of the equilibrium between each continent, is more concerned with the need to guarantee a better distribution of wealth, taking into account the interests of the populations."

The Social and the Solidarity Economy
is the fruit of the organisation
of the citizens in the construction
of new economic and social practices
founded upon relations
based on cooperation and solidarity.
They draw inspiration from the cultural
and ethical values in which men and women,
rather than the accumulation
of private wealth in general,
and of capital in particular,
are at the heart of all economic activity.
These new production and consumption
practices favour collective work,
self-management, social justice,
respect for the environment
and accountability to future generations.

However, the Social and Solidarity Economy is not limited
merely to its capacity to produce and to consume differently,
since it is also a growing social movement
that has set its sights on social transformation
towards other models that are currently in development,
based on hundreds of networks
that are its component parts and that organise dialogue
between the components of civil society, enterprises,
trade unions, elected representatives
and all of the organisations at the local,
national, regional and world level in order
to bring about a better governance in the territories.

Introduction

Lux'09: The 4th International Meetings on "Globalising Solidarity"

Following Lima in 1997, Quebec in 2001 and Dakar in 2005, the social and solidarity economy actors have arranged to meet for the first time in Europe, in Luxembourg, from 22 to 25 April in Schiffflange, the Kulturfabrik and the Maison du Peuple in Esch/Alzette. The general theme of the meetings will be to highlight the fact that **"another economy exists: the innovations of the social and solidarity economy."**

The various forms of exclusion generated by neo-liberal globalisation have enabled the social and solidarity economy (SSE) to develop in multiple forms across all of the continents, clearly demonstrating its capacity to organise communities in order to provide a response to the existing problems in the territories. Through a whole range of initiatives related to fair trade, ethical financing, services to the person, cultural projects, solidarity tourism, short circuits between producers and consumers and solidarity enterprises, to name but a few, the SSE has diversified its presence in numerous sectors and continues to show that it is possible to produce, distribute, consume and save in a different way, in a way that is fairer, more democratic and responsible in one's own social, cultural and ecological environment.

The event, which is being held under the aegis of RIPESS (International Network for the Promotion of the Social Solidarity Economy) and is coordinated by INEES (The European Institute for the Social and Solidarity Economy) will be attended by almost 1,000 delegates from across the globe who will come together to share their experiences, to define elements for debate and to formulate specific proposals at the end of three days of workshops

and plenary sessions during which the focus will be on joint discussions and reflection.

This event concerns everyone. It has been born out of the mobilisation of networks and, as such, conveys a different way of doing things. The social and solidarity economy does not just put forward counter-proposals to a liberal approach to the economy that has contaminated our way of looking at life in general. It brings us back to what is essential: to the collective and democratic construction of our future, a future that is respectful of others, of the environment and of future generations.

Lux'09 will also provide an opportunity for sharing, for exchanges and for social interactions. We will be speaking about human values for four days, with a passion, a conviction and a feeling that, in today's world, it is our duty to mobilise our efforts and bring people together from the four corners of the globe in order to inspire new hope. The economists tell us that growth has to be underpinned by confidence. We can build this confidence, not in order to maximise the accumulation of capital, but rather to construct a world of social justice and solidarity between all men and women on the planet.

More and more of us are committing ourselves to achieving this aim and to the development of specific actions in the territories. This means that we must take up the challenge of improving our capacity to be visible and to be recognised as fully-fledged actors in the public debate.

These are just a few of the ambitions of Lux'09.

Nedda Angulo,
RIPESS General Coordinator
Eric Lavillunière,
General Coordinator of Lux'09

Reflexions

Hosting the Fourth International Globalising Solidarity Meetings in a country as wealthy as Luxembourg: this does not mean that we have given up... on thinking!

In Luxembourg, as is the case in any wealthy country, feeding oneself, finding a place to live, getting an education, relaxing, moving around, taking care of oneself, having a good time, accessing culture and lots of other similar things, are all about consumption. In this case, by consumption, we mean the ability to gain access to what we believe we need in order to live well. We are virtually collapsing under the weight of an overabundant supply of consumer goods and we feel that it is quite natural to benefit from collective goods. Of course, access to consumption is dependent upon our capacity to amass money. Our intention is not to lecture on the economic role of money, indeed, we will limit ourselves to saying that we are all in competition with one another to amass the largest possible amount of money in order to be able to consume!

And yet, in our frenetic attempts to accumulate money, our wealth consuming habits are showing themselves to be extremely poor! New and blossoming notions that make a great deal of sense, such as equity, responsibility, ethics or even solidarity, have quickly been dismissed by our hypermarket-driven societies. However, the very essence of man, even of *homo economicus*, is to reflect upon the meaning of what he is doing and of the world he is surrounded by. We can therefore be optimistic and believe in the capacity of our contemporaries to consciously switch their approach to consumption towards more responsible forms; in other words, to stake our hopes on our individual and collective capacity to reflect on the ethics of production and the distribution of wealth in the face of our urges for egotistical satisfaction.

In a country such as Luxembourg, there are solidarity economy actors who state very clearly that dialogue with the intended consumers of their goods and services is a pre-condition for their production. They advocate the introduction of the sharing of know-how between producers and consumers. Collective, cultural and solidarity-based goods are thus produced in consultation with the consumer, or rather with the citizen who thereby becomes a fully-fledged actor in the production process. Above all, this dialogue must serve to strengthen the feeling of belonging to an environment in which activities take place that are governed by different actors, all consumers around the questions that citizens ask themselves. In order to be as concrete as possible, let us give the example of a solidarity garden, which has become a genuine space for meetings and sharing between school, the curious, associations with an interest in biodiversity, lovers of healthy food, etc. However, its real strength lies in the secret alchemy that it is able to apply by proposing pleasure, beauty, the discovery of others, in brief, the creation of social links, in the words of those who are knowledgeable about these things!

The solidarity economy asks for no more than to be able to boom and to emerge from its small activist circles. Compassion and altruism can be the driving forces of commitment, but so can the simple fact of changing our conventional mindset: the current economic and social environment is clear proof that happiness based on egotism and individual success is extremely fragile. Yesterday's high rollers are today's new poor. While I am recognised in my community as being the same person, with the same faults and

qualities, regardless of whether or not I have a job. I am not abandoning my hopes and desires, it is just that I live with them in a different way and that I am open towards others. And I have to say that I am very happy with that!

Abilio Machado,
Objectif Plein Emploi.
Eric Lavillunière,
INEES.

Plenary sessions

Working language: FR + EN + ES + PT + DE

Opening session:

Wednesday 22nd of April, from 5.00 to 7.00 p.m. under the Grand Chapiteau, Schifflange

2 plenary sessions:

Thursday 23rd of April, from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. under the Grand Chapiteau, Schifflange

Friday 24th of April, from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. under the Grand Chapiteau, Schifflange

Closing session:

Saturday 25th of April, from 5.00 to 7.00 p.m., under the Grand Chapiteau, Schifflange

Opening session: Wednesday 22nd of April, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Welcome of the participants, general context and objectives of the meetings.

Roland Schreiner,

*Deputy mayor of Schifflange,
Luxembourg.*

Marie-Josée Jacobs,

*Minister for Families and Integration,
Luxembourg.*

John Castegnaro,

*member of the Chamber of Deputies
and President of Objectif Plein Emploi,
Luxembourg.*

Nedda Angulo,

*General Coordinator of RIPESS,
Peru, Latin America and the Caribbean.*

and the members of the RIPESS Board:

Arturo Palma Torres,

France.

Azeb Girmaï,

Ethiopia.

Sunil Chitrakar,

Nepal.

David Thompson,

Australia.

Ethel Côté,

Canada.

2 plenary sessions:

A general subject:

Thinking about relaunching the economy or relaunching our thinking about the economy?

The innovations of the social and solidarity economy: a lot more than a spare wheel to be used in emergencies only!

The accumulation of the food, energy, manufacturing, financial and climate

crises that have been making the headlines over the last few months is a simple illustration (23) of the fact that the dominant economic model has reached a dead end. The plans implemented thus far to relaunch the economy are just about doing enough to fill some of the gaps, but they are doing nothing to challenge the model in question. The current situation provides us with an opportunity to turn to the traditional strengths of the social movements that combine the organisation of the struggle against the predominant model and the development of alternatives, through their resistance against the status quo and their ability to put forward proposals. The Lux'09 Meeting is part and parcel of this process of advancing alternatives to be networked and to be developed as genuine proposals to help us to emerge from this crisis. With more than 6 billion inhabitants, the planet cannot allow itself to generalise a model of development and modes of consumption that are unsustainable from an environmental point of view. The actors of the social and solidarity economy will be meeting from 22 to 25 April in Luxembourg for the 4th International Meeting on the Globalisation of Solidarity, which is being held at the initiative of the International Network for the Promotion of the Social Solidarity Economy. All of these actors have been working for years within their respective communities in order to improve the quality of life, to create employment and, above all, to give (back) hope to those who are excluded from a form of prosperity that is shared out unevenly and are victims of a redistribution system that has broken down. The social and solidarity economy actors wish to create conditions that are

conducive to debate and propose to collectively think about socio-economic alternatives. They wish to draw upon the experiences of more than 150 years of the social and solidarity economy that was started by the workers who began to organise themselves within cooperatives in order to become emancipated and to collectively seize control of their destiny, as well as the more recent forms of fair trade or efforts made to shorten the distances between producers and consumers, as well as a whole multitude of innovations that have made it possible to once again include ethical considerations within the economy and finance, and greater meaning in the hierarchy of values.

A world based on the social and solidarity economy is a world in which financial profit is not the only criteria used to determine the choices made by enterprises, in which social services are not reserved for those who can afford to pay for them, rather it is a locally-rooted economy that does not relocate at the slightest fall in its profits, it is a society that refuses to be dual and to confine the poor to serving the rich, it is a form of agriculture that produces first and foremost for the local community, that respects the environment and that is designed to establish food sovereignty. In other words, it is a world for the people who live in it and for the future generations to come. A world that strives to take care of the well-being of the largest possible number of its inhabitants. We believe that the time has come to think about the future on a different basis, involving everyone in our efforts to bring about a better-balanced plural economy.

During the first such session
**Thursday 23rd of April,
from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.**

We shall be holding discussions with elected and company representatives with a view to gaining a better understanding of why greater consideration is not given to the solidarity economy at decision-making levels and we shall develop the points of action that need to be undertaken in order to change this situation.

Paul Singer,

Secretary of State for the Solidarity Economy, Brasil.

Philippe Chesnaux,

Co-President of the European Network of Cities and Regions for the Social Economy, France.

Sergio Arzeni,

Director of the OECD's LEED programme, Italie.

Patrick Viveret,

co-founder of the SOL local currency and author of the "Recreating wealth" report, France.

Nicolas Schmit,

Minister for Foreign Affairs, Luxembourg.

Giovanni Acquati,

member of the RIPESS Board, Italy.

Moderated by:

Alvin Sold,

Managing Director of Groupe EditPress, Luxembourg

During the second such session
**Friday 24th of April,
from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.**

We shall be comparing and contrasting our ideas with other social movements which, each in their own way, promote societal progress, in order to envisage common strategies.

Erny Gillen,

President of Caritas Europe, Luxembourg.

Paul Myers,

President of the WFTO, USA.

Myriam Nobre,

Director of the World March of Women, Brasil.

Jean-Marc Mignon,

Vice-President of the BITS, France.

Heloisa Primavera,

President of Congress of the Peoples, Argentina.

Jean-Claude Reding,

President of the OGB-L trade union, Luxembourg.

Rosemary Gomes,

Administratrice RIPESS, Brasil.

Animation:

Claude Wehenkel,

Managing Director of the Henri Tudor Public Research Centre, Luxembourg.

**Closing session:
Saturday 25th of April,
from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.**

Evaluation of the four days of the forum, with a particular focus on the proposals, commitments and demands formulated during the workshop sessions held during the morning on April 23, 24 and 25.

Nuria de Rio,

REAS, Spain.

Romain Biever,

INEES, Luxembourg.

Future prospects.

Ben Quiñones,

CSRSME, Philippines.

Preview of the next meetings to be held in Asia in 2013.

Eric Lavillunière,

General Coordinator of Lux'09.

Concluding words and thank-yous.

The social and solidarity economy has yet to reach the heights of the expectations set by its values. However, with humility and ambition, Lux'09 wishes to ensure this movement, which is underpinned by RIPESS, is able to take part in the international debate so as to express the views of the citizens in a pragmatic way... and also the element of utopia that is to be found at the beginnings of all movements that bring about change!

The Days of International Solidarity Economy

des held on 18th and 19th October 2007 in Lille were strongly influenced by Lux'09 (Workshop 1). One outcome was that the participants (including many elected representatives) adopted a declaration.

Lille Declaration: "Joining forces to promote policies on the social and solidarity economy within national, European and international decision-making bodies".

The event held in Lille took place in the context of the opportunities for debates and exchange that are organised on a regular basis by the International Network for the Promotion of the Social Solidarity Economy (RIPESS). The events are linked to the "Globalisation of Solidarity" Meetings that have previously been organised by RIPESS in Lima (1997), Quebec (2001) and Dakar (2005). At the moment RIPESS and its members are preparing the Luxembourg Meetings, known as "LUX'09. This is a major European event that is due to be held in 2009. It is therefore quite clear that these events form an integral and on-going part of the international process designed to promote the construction of the social and solidarity economy.

Both the organisers and the participants at the Lille event felt that it was important to reiterate their support for the definition of the social and solidarity economy as formulated in Lima:

"an economy based on co-operation, sharing and collective action, placing people at the centre of economic and social development," as well as the definition of solidarity: "in economic terms, solidarity is based on a project that is economic, political and social, and that results in a new way of approaching politics and of establishing human relations on the basis of consensus and citizens' actions." They went on to express their desire to jointly pursue and to consolidate the actions undertaken since 1997 with the networks of actors, particularly:

- The recognition of the social and solidarity economy as a mode of economic development that enables: The creation of activities and jobs that are both of a high quality and socially useful. A fair and solidarity-based sharing of resources between the territories, populations and generations.
- Support for all local social and solidarity economy initiatives that are developed in a participative and democratic manner with citizens, project leaders, those involved in project support, institutions and elected representatives.
- Develop and reinforce the partnership dynamics between actors, networks and policy makers to enable the joint

construction of public policies that support the social and solidarity economy.

- Implement actions in the areas of communication, training, research and lobbying of institutions.
- Build consensus and co-operation at international level.

Although there are an increasing number of local initiatives and progress in the field of institutional recognition, both the organisers and participants at the Lille event note that all the aims set in 1997 have not yet been achieved.

The weight of the dominant economic model within national, European and international institutions has led to an increase in inequalities and to the unfair distribution of wealth which the systems of redistribution are unable to redress. The disengagement of the State weighs increasingly heavily on the finances of the territorial authorities. These two dominant trends represent a threat to the long-term survival of the public policies implemented in recent years. In this political and economic context, the organisers and participants at the Lille event confirmed their desire to both co-ordinate and to multiply their efforts to influence political, economic and financial decisions at all levels.

They have a three-fold objective:

- To improve the structure, visibility and efficiency of the organisations involved on a daily basis in the discussions that take place at decision-making level, in order to promote the development of the social and solidarity economy.
- To safeguard and to reinforce public policies that support the social and solidarity economy that have been implemented at the various territorial levels.
- To ensure that recognition is given to the social and solidarity economy in all institutions (political, trade unions, associations, financial, educational, research,...) and to lobby these institutions on a regular and on-going basis.

The organisers and participants at the International Event on the Solidarity Economy in Lille, jointly commit themselves to:

- Call upon their national governments to establish sustainable ministries dedicated to social and solidarity economy and to provide them with sufficient human and financial resources.
- Ensure that these ministries develop public policies to support the social and solidarity economy, and co-operate with the actors' networks, and that recognise them as fully-fledged partners.
- Lobby the European and international institutions (WTO, IMF...) so that they orient their economic and social policies in a coherent manner towards sustainable and solidarity-based development and reconsider their wealth indicators.
- Demand the establishment of fair and just international economic and financial relationships, particularly between the North and the South. This includes the cancellation of debts.

Encourage the political, economic and social partners to take ownership for issues related to the social and solidarity economy and to support related actions within their organisations and in their relations with all of the decision-making bodies.

For decades, the social and solidarity economy has clearly displayed its usefulness from a social and environmental point of view. It has also proved its economic efficiency by contributing to general interest. The Lima declaration was signed 10 years ago. The declaration made in Quebec carried the title of "Resist and Build". The declaration made two years ago in Dakar was entitled "Empowering People." The meeting to be held in Luxembourg in 2009 will enable us to gauge the progress made to date and to reiterate our intentions. We call upon the whole of the social and solidarity economy to mobilise its energies and participate massively in this event, thereby affirming its role as a large international movement that is capable of helping to fulfil the hopes for peace and economic, social and democratic development that it promotes.

RIPESS continental and intercontinental meetings

During Lux'09, delegates from each continent will meet in order to review the dynamics underway, to define actions and objectives and to set a work programme. Each continent will also be required to appoint 2 representatives to sit on the International Board.

Six meetings will take place at the same time:

**Africa,
North America,
Latin America and the Caribbean,
Asia,
Oceania
and Europe.**

The meetings will be held over two sessions:

Wednesday 22nd of April,
from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.

Africa,
Amiperas Room, Schiffflange.
(FR + EN)
North America,
Salle Grand-Duc Jean, Schiffflange.
(FR + EN)
Latin America and the Caribbean,
Maison du Peuple, Esch-sur-Alzette.
(ES + PT)
Asia,
Centre associatif Am Rit, Schiffflange.
(no translation)
Oceania,
Meeting Room 3rd floor,
Moulin Bestgen, Schiffflange.
(no translation)
Europe,
Plenary session marquee, Schiffflange.
(FR + EN + ES)

and **Thursday 23rd of April,**
from 5.00 to 7.00 p.m.

Africa,
Salle Communale,
Moulin Bestgen, Schiffflange.
(FR + EN)
North America,
Salle Grand-Duc Jean, Schiffflange.
(FR + EN)
Latin America and the Caribbean,
Maison du Peuple, Esch-sur-Alzette.
(ES + PT)
Asia,
Salle Amiperas, Schiffflange.
(no translation)
Oceania,
Meeting Room, 3rd floor,
Moulin Bestgen, Schiffflange.
(no translation)
Europe,
Plenary session marquee, Schiffflange.
(FR + EN + ES)

An intercontinental meeting will be held as a plenary session

on Friday 24th of April,
from 5.00 to 7.00 p.m.
Plenary session marquee, Schiffflange.
(FR + EN + ES)

Agenda:

Each continent is free to define its own agenda, which will be proposed at the beginning of the meeting, but generally, it will contain the following items:

For the afternoon of 22nd April:

- Review of objectives since Dakar
- Work objectives during Lux'09
- Any other business

For the late afternoon of 23rd April:

- Priorities through to the next meeting in Asia in 2013
- The various stages
- Preparation of the intercontinental meeting in the late afternoon of 24 April
- Selection of 2 RIPESS Board members
- Any other business

For the late afternoon of 24th April:

- Review of intercontinental activities since Dakar 2005
- Prospects in each continent
- Objectives through to 2013
- Any other business

These meetings are open to everyone.

The RIPESS Board for the period 2005 – 2009 will hold its closing meeting on 21 April from 4.00 to 8.00 p.m. and the new Board for the period 2009 – 2013 will meet for the first time on 26 April, from 9.00 to 12.00 a.m.

Workshop 0



Working language: FR
Simultaneous translation: DE et EN
Location: Plenary Session Marquee (Schiffflange)



Education, citizenship education and SSE

Lead organisations: INEES, MES, RCDEC - CCEDNET
Partner organisations: RENAPESS, FBES, Vivia

The workshop proposes to work on issues, principles, methodological directives, contents, systematization and evaluation of tools on Social Economy training, also to reflect on innovative strategies proposing multiplication of initiatives and networking amongst them.

Illustration (23)

The issue of training and education in the SSE, its principles and methodological guidelines.

Ethel Cote et Madani Coumare,
RENAPESS, Canada.

The experience of entrepreneurial capacity building in the development of social enterprises in the north and south: presentation by the Roue du Développement, Mali and Canada.

Hans-Georg Heiman,
VIAMIA, Germany.

Organizing, Educating and Training the Poor to Start Their Own Micro-Enterprise Cooperative

Creation of a panel to highlight the proposals that emerge from the presentations and the debate. This panel will sit during the three days of the workshop.

Plenary debate with a view to focussing on the following points:

- The issues
- Principles and Guidelines
- Methodological Guidelines

Discussion (24)

What are the contents and what are the strategies to be used in order to multiply the training experiences in the SSE and to contribute to the networking of the actors?

Ana Dubeux,
FBES, Brasil.

The experience of the Brazilian Solidarity Economy Forum with regard to training for the solidarity economy.

Prof. Isidor Wallimann,
University of North Texas, USA.

Teaching Sociological and Economic Concepts to Enhance Social Economy Consciousness and Behaviour.

Prof., Dr. Susanne Elsen,
University of Munich, Germany.

Research and Development for the Globalisation of Solidarity and Sustainability An international PhD-Program.

Plenary debate with a view to focussing on the following points:

- Contents
- Systematisation and evaluation
- Multiplication of the experiences
- Networking of the actors

Proposals (25)

What are the commitments that are required to implement innovative public strategies and policies in the field of education and training in the SSE?

Romain Biever,
President INEES, Luxembourg.
Citizen's Education, a collective and creative action force.

Davide Biolghini,
President of the Cooperation and Technology Forum, RES Italy.

Analysis, together with the panel, of the proposals that have emerged from the presentation and collective construction of other worthwhile proposals?

Workshop 1



Working language FR
Simultaneous translation: ES + DE
Location: Salle Grand-Duc Jean (Schiffflange)

Social and Solidarity Economy and co-construction of public policies

Lead organisations: REVES (Réseau européen des villes et régions de l'économie sociale),
RTES (Réseau des Territoires pour l'économie solidaire).

1. Ways and methods to re-organize local governance in order to fully take advantage of the contribution of social and solidarity based organisations acting in partnership with local authorities;
2. The contribution of social and solidarity economy in the establishment of partnerships between territories.

Illustration (23)

Presentation of partnership experiences.

Chagiqi Farid,

Centre de Développement de la région de Tensift, Morocco.

Oussama Loukili,

AJS, Le bon emploi de la Solidarité, Dunkerque, France.

Margitta Härtel,

Vice-President, Fondation Pfefferwerk Berlin, Germany.

José Renato Vieira Martins,

Assessoria Internacional da Secretaria Geral da Presidência da República, Brasil.

Discussion (24)

Discussion of both the opportunities and obstacles encountered.

Andrea Gärtner,

Bezirksamt Pankow, Berlin, Germany.

Nancy Neamtan,

Chantier de l'économie sociale du Québec, Canada.

Claire Cartieaux,

PEKEA. Les ateliers de l'économie sociale et solidaire, Rennes, France.

Andréa Mendes,

Comité Exécutif du Forum Brésilien pour l'Economie Solidaire, Brasil.

Proposals (25)

Elaboration of proposals to be submitted to local and national governments, as well as to the European institutions.

Abdoulaye Ouadraogo,

APIL, Burkina Faso.

Viviane Loschetter,

member of the Chamber of Deputies, Deputy Mayor of Luxembourg, Luxembourg.

Louis Jolin,

LL.D, Professeur titulaire, Département d'études urbaines et touristiques, École des sciences de la gestion, Université du Québec à Montréal. Responsable du Comité scientifique du Bureau international du tourisme social, Canada.

Workshop 2



Working language: FR
Simultaneous translation: EN + ES
Location: Salle Grand-Duc Jean (Schiffflange)

Social and Solidarity-based economy, social services of general interest and common goods

Lead organisation: Think Tank européen pour la Solidarité

The issue of common goods is strongly related to the commitment – or disengagement – of the public authorities, with an important role of the social economy actors. Nowadays, whatever the country, some questions have raised: related to the management and the protection of common goods, what should be the role of social economy actors? How could an equal access for all be guaranteed?

Illustration (23)

Common goods mean both natural and human goods: water, environment or biodiversity are part of the category «natural common goods», whereas health, waste management or education belongs to «human common goods». Which initiatives from social economy actors have been developed in the field of management and protection of common goods? Concept definition and experiences.

Paul Delaunois,

Greenpeace, Luxembourg.

René Lachapelle,

Secretary of the Groupe d'économie solidaire du Québec, Canada.

Yaya Zan Konaré,

President of FENASCOM, Mali.

Johanne Roy,

President of AQCPE, Canada.

Moderated by:

Maud CANDELA,

Think Tank européen pour la Solidarité, France.

Discussion (24)

The topic of common goods is strongly related to the commitment of public authorities, which role in the populations' access to such goods is crucial and which responsibility in their protection is complete. However, in most countries where the intervention of the State was direct, the tendency of last years has been a progressive disengagement, for economic and political reasons. Thus, nowadays, an increasing number of common goods are managed by for profit organizations, or left aside, or delegated to social economy structures. Related to the management and protection of common goods, what should be the role of social economy actors? Which joint with public authorities?

France Bertrand,

General Director of a Centre Petite Enfance au Québec, Canada.

Yaya Zan Konaré,

President of FENASCOM, Mali.

Moderated by:

Maud CANDELA,

Think Tank européen pour la Solidarité, France.

Proposals (25)

In many fields, in reaction to the disengagement of the State, the non-profit sector invested the place, to give a not for profit answer to an issue related to general interest. This commitment shows a reappropriation by civil society and citizens of major topics for the future, but also a decreasing confidence in the public authorities' action. How do territories and social economy networks organize their action?

Jean Robitaille,

General Director of AQCPE, Québec, Canada.

René Lachapelle,

Secretary of the Groupe d'économie solidaire du Québec, Canada.

Paul Delaunois,

Greenpeace, Luxembourg.

A representative

of a brasilian cooperative, Brasil.

Moderated by:

Maud CANDELA,

Think Tank européen pour la Solidarité, France.

Workshop 3



Working language: FR
Simultaneous translation: EN + ES
Location: Grande Salle Kulturfabrik (Esch-sur-Alzette)

Solidarity-based entrepreneurship

Lead organisations: ENSIE asbl, EURONETZ, NGO Autre Terre, ACEVO

In the present economic and financial crisis framework, the development of the social and solidarity-based economy and initiatives, represents, in the world, a concrete answer which confirms the success of the economy where human being is at the core and not the profit maximization.

Illustration (23)

Who are the actors currently working for the development of entrepreneurship and solidarity initiatives?

Fulgence Yameogo,

Coordinator, NGO's BAOBAB, Burkina Faso.

Günther Lorenz,

Research and development European Network for Economic Self-Help and Local Development, Germany.

Luz Maritza Castro Vega,

Gruppo Salinas, Ecuador.

Martine Kettel and Sylvie Kohl,
Objectif Plein Emploi, Luxembourg.

Maria Nieves Ramos,

President of FAEDEI (Federacion de Asociaciones Empresariales de Empresas de Insercion), Spain.

Moderated by:

Patrizia Bussi,

Coordinator, ENSIE (Réseau Europeen des Entreprises Sociales d'Insertion), Belgium.

Discussion (24)

The challenges and the responses of the social and solidarity economy in the context of the current crisis. Is the SSE's role to mitigate the perverse effects of the ordinary economy, or is it to propose a real alternative?

Junka «Lek» Yimprasert,

Founder Thai Labor Campaign Solidarity Factory, Thailand.

Truda Ann Smith,

Director, ENSIE (Réseau Europeen des Entreprises Sociales d'Insertion), Germany.

Lynn O'Cain,

Directrice générale du Conseil régional d'économie sociale Mauricie, Québec, Canada.

Paul Huens et Diane Remy, *Objectif Plein Emploi, Luxembourg.*

Moderated by:

Quentin Mortier,

Responsable des partenariats et suivi de projets ONG Autre Terre, Belgium.

Proposals (25)

Avenues for further reflection: networking, creating appropriate structures, demanding legal recognition at the political level, promoting participation-based democracy.

Sunil Chitrakar,

Executive Director Mahaguthi Craft With A Conscience, Nepal.

Salvatore Vetro,

President ONG Autre Terre and Director ENSIE (Réseau Europeen des Entreprises Sociales d'Insertion), Belgium.

Marlene Yaneth Fernandez

Collado,

Coordinator «Femmes eco-solidaires» Cecycap, Peru.

Christophe DUNAND,

Director RéALISE, Switzerland.

Moderated by:

Filippo Addarii,

Head of International Programme ACEVO, United Kingdom.

Workshop 4



Working language: FR
Simultaneous translation: EN + ES + PT
Location: Lino Gris Kulturfabrik (Esch-sur-Alzette)

SSE and environment

Lead organisations: RESSOURCES, RREUSE

Economics, social... and the environment or when the third sector is involved in an emblematic area of the sustainable development: the environment. Should we invent a new way of working to meet the today's environmental challenges? How to integrate the concerns related to the future of our planet in relation to the design of social solidarity and economic activity?

Illustration (23)

Agnès Beaulieu,
Insertech Angus Québec, Canada.
Hada Rubia,
CoopCarmo, Rio de Janeiro, Brasil.
Benjamin Faye,
ASDES, Kaolack, Senegal.

Moderated by:
Thibaut Jacquet,
RESSOURCES, Belgium.

Discussion (24)

Sepp Eisenriegler,
RREUSE - RUSZ, Vienne, Austria.
Julio Torres Martínez,
Observatoire des Sciences et des Technologies, La Havane, Cuba.
Bouchaïb Samawi,
Droit & Devoir EFT, Mons, Belgium, Morocco.

Moderated by:
Thibaut Jacquet,
RESSOURCES, Belgium.

Proposals (25)

Arnaud Pinxteren,
Cabinet de la Ministre bruxelloise de l'environnement, Belgium.
Eric Goujon,
Maison de la Citoyenneté Mondiale, Mulhouse, France.
Bernard Goffinet,
cf2D, Bruxelles, Belgium, Senegal.

Moderated by:
Thibaut Jacquet,
RESSOURCES, Belgium.

Workshop 5



Working language: FR
Simultaneous translation: EN + ES
Location: Maison du Peuple (Esch-sur-Alzette)

SSE and food sovereignty

Lead organisation: FIMARC

Food sovereignty is only possible in conjunction with real economic sovereignty. This can be established through the development of SSE projects that are not just make shift measures designed to make up for the shortcomings of the present system, but are rather alternatives that guarantee self-sufficiency, healthy food and biodiversity.

Illustration (23)

Nicholas Chinnappan,
Coordinator Dalit Land's Right Federation, India.

Will speak about food sovereignty in Asia, with a particular focus on aspects regarding access to land, resources... As well as experiences related to the solidarity economy.

John Mwidu,
UCS, Youth Programmes, Uganda.

Will make a similar presentation for Africa, but his main focus will be the difficulties encountered by the continent in terms of conflicts and migration... As well as experiences related to the solidarity economy.

René Louail,
Coordination Européenne de la Via Campesina Europe, France.

Will talk about food sovereignty in Europe, with a particular focus on the eastern European countries... As well as experiences related to the solidarity economy.

Filemón Zintzun Casimiro,
CEMIF, Mexico.

Will speak about his continent, on the basis of his experience as a native Indian, and will discuss the values of the indigenous communities... As well as experiences related to the solidarity economy.

Discussion (24)

Situation analyse.

Laurent Delcourt,
Tri-continental Centre, Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium.

Will provide the workshops with an analysis of the current situation in light of the recent food crises and will give an overview of the state of resistance throughout the world.

Thierry Kesteloot,
d'OXFAM Solidarity, Belgium.

Will provide an analysis in the context of current international policies – WTO ministerial conference, IMF and World Bank Policies, the demands for greater autonomy for individual countries in the definition and management of their food and farming policies.

Proposals (25)

Wim Polman,
NRCD, Thailand.

Will put forward proposals for the creation of a platform that brings together the concepts of food sovereignty and the solidarity economy and for the development of an agenda for the future actions of this platform.

Melik Ozden,
from the Europe -Third World Centre, Switzerland.

Will speak about his work with the Via Campesina for a Convention on peasants' rights.

Ki-Hwan Chung,
President of FIMARC, South Korea.

Will present his efforts to create an international convention on the respect of the diversity of agricultural food products. This convention has been inspired by the UNESCO international convention on the respect of the diversity of cultural products.

Pierluigi Zampino,
the ARCIPELAGO SCEC network, Italy.

Will present the SCEC alternative currency initiative in Italy and will highlight both its difficulties and its successes.

Georges Dixon,
President of MIJARC.

Will discuss the hopes and initiatives of young people for a solidarity economy and the possibility of keeping local territories alive.

Workshop 6



Working language: FR
Simultaneous translation: EN + ES
Location: Salle communale Moulin Bestgen (Schiffflange)

Responsible production and consumption

Lead organisations: WFTO, URGENCI

Solidarity based links between producers and consumers are a strong catalyst to face social and environmental challenges, either at local (CSA) or international (Fair Trade) levels. This workshop aims to establish concrete solutions to create complementarities and mutual strengthening between these 2 levels.

Illustration (23)

The Illustration (23)s will focus on the subject of the workshop, i.e. showing from concrete experiences how complementarities are possible between solidarity based relationship between producers and consumers at local level (CSA/ AMAP) and at international level (Fair Trade).

Sunil Chitrakar,

WFTO, Nepal.

Solidarity-based distribution networks.

Daniel Vuillon,

URGENCI, France.

Presentation of the tools and practices that enable the channels of ethic commercialization to get organised, taking under consideration solidarity and ecological issues and how to link with local level.

Andrea Calori,

GAS, Italy.

From active consumers to partnerships with producers.

Charles Étienne Bélanger,

BITS, Belgium.

Solidarity Tourism consists of various forms of alternative tourism centered on humanity and human contact, approached within the context of regional development.

Moderated by:

Andrea Calori,

GAS, Italy.

and **Christine Gent,**

WFTO.

Discussion (24)

Introduction movie:
Transition towns.

Joël Obrecht,

URGENCI / IRIS, France

Fair Trade as a tool to develop Local Solidarity Partnerships between Producers and Consumers.

Marvin N. Lopez Garcia,

Gerent Asociacion APODIP, Guatemala.

Yuko Wada,

Seikatsu Club Consumers' Cooperatives/ Policy Research Institute for Civil Sector.

Responsible consumption, a model of prosumers, focusing upon food sovereignty, social service to communities and ecological way of life.

Open debate

All participants are invited to discuss about the propositions made, and about the presentations made in the first part of the workshop, to see which evolutions responsible consumption and production initiatives can apply in the future, and to set up a draft of actual propositions to be discussed in the last part of the workshop.

Moderated by:

Andrea Calori,

GAS, Italy.

and **Christine Gent,**

WFTO.

Proposals (25)

This third session will focus on how to establish the solutions which will have been discussed and agreed in the second session: how they could be implemented, with which actors, which method and which calendar. After the presentation of the Sustainable Fair Trade Management System (Christine Gent), the third time of the workshop will result of the propositions made in the discussion stage. All workshop participants are invited to discuss the proposals which will be made.

The third stage of the workshop will be divided in three parts: First, the SFTMS proposal (Christine Gent, WFTO) and discussion, then the discussion of the other propositions for the future years of responsible production and consumption, then the redaction of each concrete proposition debated with the audience of the workshop, to be presented as our workshop conclusions in the Lux'09 forum closing plenary.

Moderated by:

Andrea Calori,

GAS, Italy.

Joël Obrecht,

URGENCI, France.

Workshop 7

Working language: FR
Simultaneous translation: EN + DE
Location: Salle Grand-Duc Jean (Schiffflange)

Democratic participation and anchoring the SSE at a territorial level

Lead organisation: Pactes Locaux
Partner organisations: CERGE, TER_RES, RCDÉC, ENDA TM, CUF

The basis of Workshop 7 will be the realities, resources and results of territorial experiments in the North and in the South. It aims to identify convergence between actors at all levels and jointly propose potential regulatory solutions, forms of organisation, co-operation and decision-making, at local, European and International levels.

Illustration (23)

Illustration and debate on the vision of the North: How could we achieve a better organisation at territorial level, in terms of the space and time of human communities?

Ben Goerens,

Objectif Plein Emploi, Luxembourg.

Introduction: summary of the lessons learnt in the preparation for Lux'09.

France Joubert,

France.

Sigrid Wölfing,

CERGE, Germany.

Accompanying the evolutions in work and employment; using local resources and needs to build a bespoke response: the European experience of an Employers' group Resource Centre.

Yvon Poirier,

RCDÉC, Québec, Canada.

Long-term investment in development by and for local communities: from collective entrepreneurship to the governmental action plan in Quebec

Moderated by:

Martine Theveniaut

Pactes Locaux, France.

Discussion (24)

Debate: Illustration and debate, the vision of the South: How to successfully create the conditions of democratic governance to meet and control the challenges of the future?

Alain Laurent,

TER_RES, France.

Introduction: in terms of progress and challenges of the preparation of Lux'09.

N'Fally Badiane,

ENDA TM, Senegal.

How citizens become a force for decentralisation that serves communities: the learning process of the Participatory budget.

Catherine Dostes,

La Réunion, France.

How to control and manage tourism through a territorial approach.

Souleimane Ouedraogo,

ONTB, Burkina Faso.

Implementing a framework of public regulatory policies.

Proposals (25)

Proposals: How can we move our reflexions, proposals, experiments, support networks, solidarity-twinning approaches etc forward, on the basis of the comparison of our North/South exchange of views? Introduced by a summary of the discussion of the previous two days. What ideas can we move forward in the context of Lux'09? And for the future?

Moderated by:

Jean-Claude Mairal,

Regional Council of Auvergne, group for the promotion of responsible tourism and decentralised co-operation of Cités-Unies, France.

Workshop 8



Working language: FR
Simultaneous translation: EN + ES + PT
Location: Petite Salle Kulturfabrik (Esch-sur-Alzette)

Research and conceptualization of SSE

Lead organisation: EMES

Since several years, there is the huge development of initiatives based on solidarity and reciprocity principles within organized economic activities in North like South. Popular economy, solidarity economy, social economy, third sector... , diverse conceptualizations of those initiatives have been produced according to not only the variety of socio-political and socio-economical countries' trajectories as well as a diversity of academic traditions but also to different visions of development face to the globalization. Research in SSE and the co-production of knowledge between researchers and actors are crucial for the visibility and the legitimization of others modes of production, exchange and consumption, for the definition of characteristics and boundaries of SSE as well as for the recognition of SSE as a field of public action. Moreover, the theoretical perspective of plural and solidarity economy as an alternative to the narrow and hegemonic vision of economy has contributed to the global contestation of neo-liberal globalisation. To what extent the concepts of social economy, solidarity economy or popular economy are used by researchers for analysing the socio-economic and socio-political dynamics in North and South? How can we explain the divergences and convergences of theoretical approaches from a region to another? Which are the present socio-economics dynamics of SSE? Which role of SSE for rethinking economy face to the global crisis? To what extent popular and solidarity economy can help for rethinking Southern countries development?

Animation: Laurent Fraisse and Jean-Louis Laville, EMES network, France. (<http://www.emes.net>)

Illustration (23)

Sociopolitical and socio-economical dynamics of SSE, some continental and national perspectives.

Karl Birkhölser,

Tech-Net Berlin, EMES, Germany.
Challenges of social and solidarity based economy in Europe, a East/West comparison perspective.

José Luis Coraggio,

UNGS, Argentina.
Social and Solidarity based economy in Argentina and Latina America.

Ben Quinones,

CSRSME, RIPESS, ALOE, Asia.
Solidarity based economy in Asia, an overview from the first Asian Forum.

Margie Mendell,

University of Concordia, Canada.
The Canadian model of Social economy.

Discussion

Social Economy, solidarity economy, popular economy, which conceptualisations for which models of development?

Jacques Defourny,

Liege University, EMES, Belgium.
Social economy, Solidarity economy, social enterprises, contextualised the concepts.

Jean-Louis Laville,

Cnam Paris, EMES, France.
Solidarity economy, the North/South debate.

Jordi Estivil,

Barcelona University, Spain.
Comparing social economy and solidarity economy, a European critical perspective.

Julie Matthaëi,

Co-Founder and Coordinating Committee Member, U.S. Solidarity Economy Network, Professor of Economics, Wellesley College, RIPESS, Unites States.

Why do feminism theories should embrace solidarity economy perspective?

Proposals

Which alliances between research and society for a better knowledge and development of SEE?

Ana Maria Dubeux,

Pernambouc University, FBES, Brasil.
Les incubateurs de coopératives populaires dans l'université Brésilienne.

Nancy Neamtan,

Social Economy network, Canada.
Community University Research Alliances for Social Economy in Canada.

Rogério Roque Amaro,

Instituto Superior de Ciências do Trabalho e da Empresa, Lisbonne, Portugal.
An International review of solidarity economy.

Synthesis and conclusions:

Laurent Fraisse,

EMES, ALOE, France.

Workshop 9



Working language: FR
Simultaneous translation: EN + DE
Location: Grande Salle Kulturfabrik (Esch-sur-Alzette)

Les réseaux dans l'économie sociale et solidaire

Lead organisation: SAW-B (Solidarité des Alternatives Wallonnes et Bruxelloises)

Social solidarity economy networks have a major role to play in the construction of an alternative economy. We will discuss their creation, the links to develop between networks, the mobilization of members, the links to develop with stakeholders and other actors, the structures and financing of network.

Illustration (23)

Presentation of experiences through practical examples ranging from the most local to the most global.

Claire Cartieaux,

Coordination of the Social Economy actors in the Pays de Redon, France.
Presentation of the life of a network of Social and Solidarity Economy actors in a rural territory.

Samuel Barco Serrano,

INNOMADES (International network of consultancy bodies), Spain.
Networks of organisations as real social networks.

Nancy Neamtan,

Chantier de l'économie sociale, Canada.

The strength of networks: the experience of the Chantier de l'économie sociale.

Emily Kawano,

US Solidarity Economy Network, United States.

Action networks: surviving the economic crisis through social economy-inspired solutions.

Discussion (24)

Continuation of the presentation of first-hand experiences and the construction of issues to be addressed in our future work.

Charles-Etienne Bélanger,

International Bureau of Social Tourism, Belgium.

The creation and development of networks in the social and solidarity tourism sector.

Patrick Lovesse,

Centre Beninois pour le Développement d'Initiatives à la Base, Benin.

Chandra Prasad Kachhipati et

Benjamin Quinones,
World Fair Trade Organization Asia, Thailand and Philippines.

Davide Biolghini,

Forum Cooperazione e Tecnologia, Italie.

Discussion of the issues identified for further debate: the creation of networks, links between the networks, the participation and mobilisation of the members, the links to be developed with other spheres of society, network structures, methods of financing, as well as the prospects of maintaining the links created after Lux'09.

Proposals (25)

Presentation of projects that are innovative in terms of networks, followed by the formulation of demands and avenues for future action.

Eric Dewaele,

SAW-B, Social Economy Federation, Belgium.

Trade guilds for a local, sustainable and solidarity-based economic development.

Julio Ernesto Guterrez Montes de Oca,

IDESI, Institute for the development of the informal sector, Peru.

Local Committees on the national Tara council.

Géraldine Lechevalier

and **Bruno Racine,**

Pactes Locaux, France.

An approach to the convergence of territorial and solidarity economy actors in France and in Europe, so that they can join forces to assert themselves: the example of the platform led by the Pactes Locaux (Local Pacts) for the preparation of Lux'09.

Discussion, demands, avenues for future action.

Workshop 10



Working language: FR
Simultaneous translation: EN + ES
Location: Lino Gris Kulturfabrik (Esch-sur-Alzette)

Communication and information management systems of SSE

Lead organisations: FIDAREC, FBES, Chantier de l'économie sociale, APRES

Communication and information management are determining issues for the visibility, the credibility and the consolidation of SSE. We'll illustrate several ongoing experiences of relationships with the media and general public of construction and proposal of collaborative tools that allow commercial exchanges and networking; and processes and methodologies for identifying and mapping SSE initiatives.

Illustration (23)

Presentations in 3 sub-themes:

- Communication with the medias, the public opinion and the society;
- Informational Systems and Standards for exchanges among the SSE' movement actors;
- Methodologies for identifying and mapping of SSE initiatives.

Eric Dacheux,

France.

Definition and explanation of SSE communication difficulties.

Daniel Tygel,

South America.

Synthesis of the FSM09 workshop various tools, informational systems and standards for exchanges among SSE.

Roberto Marinho,

Braslian ministry of labour, coordianteur du portrait Brasilien.

Clarita Muller,

Grmany.

Methodologies for identifying and mapping of SSE initiatives including actors movements.

Nancy Neamtan,

Canada.

Experiences in Quebec and Canada, mutualized buying system.

Discussion (24)

Works in 2 workgroups, one for each of the 2 last themes presented in the first day. During this second day, each workgroup will deepen the debate.

Leaders for group 1:

Chilo Altagracia,

SIS, Systema de intercambios Solidarios.

Jason Nardi,

ZOES - Zona Equosostenible.

Chilo Altagracia,

SIS, Systema de intercambios Solidarios.

Jason Nardi,

ZOES - Zona Equosostenible.

FBES System, Brasil.

CoreDom, Ritimo France.

Chantier de l'économie sociale,

Québec, Kanada.

Sam Chelladurai,

Read Center, India

Leaders for group 2:

Roberto Marinho,

Braslian ministry of labour.

Clarita Muller,

Germany.

Marc Alphantery,

Mapping project, France.

Nafy Diagne,

NGO's GRAIDE, Africa.

Pierre Johnson,

Après-VD, Switzerland.

Clarita Muller,

Germany.

Roberto Marinho,

Braslian ministry of labour.

Proposals (25)

Presentation of the 2 workgroups: they will present the systematization of their debates, which will be discussed point by point by the participants of Axe 10, until we arrive to final propositions and also the issues, affirmations, synergies and perspectives.

Workshop 11



Working language: FR
Simultaneous translation: EN + ES
Location: Maison du Peuple (Esch-sur-Alzette)

SSE and trade union action

Lead organisation: PROPAGE-S

The trade union movement and the social economy have a long history in modern history and construction of the welfare state. For a good thirty years of neoliberal wave forced both players to redefine their strategies in relation to the new socio-economic components. Based on these new concepts, is it possible to launch a new cooperation pact adapted?

Illustration (23)

Denise Boucher,
Vice-President of CSN, Canada.
Jean-François Ramquet,
FGTB, Belgium.
Carlos Amorín,
UITA, Uruguay.
Dr Renér Ofreneo,
Prof. School of Labour and Industrial relations, Philippines.

Moderated by:

Stéphanie ROLLIN,
Agence Conseil PROPAGE-S.

Illustrations are designed to show the new strategies developed by the protagonists meet new socio-economic issues and new collaborations arising.

Discussion (24)

Denise Boucher,
Vice-President of CSN, Canada.
Carlos Pereira,
OGB-L, Luxembourg.
Jean-François Ramquet,
FGTB, Belgium.
Carlos Amorín,
UITA, Uruguay.
Dr Renér Ofreneo,
Prof. School of Labour and Industrial relations, Philippines.

Moderated by:

Stéphanie ROLLIN,
Agence Conseil PROPAGE-S.

What are the lessons we can learn from these good practices illustrated the previous day, and how can we expand and generalize in the context of financial crisis and global economy?

Proposals (25)

Denise Boucher,
Vice-President de CSN, Canada.
Carlos Pereira,
OGB-L, Luxembourg.
Renaud Rahier,
FGTB, Belgium.
Carlos Amorín,
UITA, Uruguay.
Dr Renér Ofreneo,
Prof. School of Labour and Industrial relations, Philippines.

Moderated by:

Stéphanie ROLLIN,
Agence Conseil PROPAGE-S.

The third session will focus on how to implement the proposals discussed in the second session. How can they be implemented, what actors, what methods and what deadlines?

Workshop 12



Working language: FR
Simultaneous translation: EN + ES
Location: Plenary session Marquee (Schiffflange)

Social and Solidarity Economy and Social finance

Lead organisation: INAISE

Illustration (23)

Two themes will be addressed in a common workshop:

- 1) Financial crisis and local, social, complementary monies
- 2) Our Answer to the global banking crisis - The need for a genuine alternative Finance sector

Debora Nunes,

professor at the university Salvador de Bahia, Brasil.

Debora works since 2001 to support social economy people co-ops in a system called "University incubator" (Incubação Universitária). What do we learn for the various social monies experiences? Can we articulate social and solidarity initiatives and social monies? How can we reinforce the link between ethical consumption and social monies?

John Roger,

Author of a book on local monies at an international level, Germany.

What lessons may be learned from decades of experimentation about local goals, good design, management and governance of local currencies?

Stefan Biskamp,

World Future Council, coordinator of the Future Finance Commission.

Transforming perverse incentives instead of creating new monster bureaucracies for regulation and control: Realistic ways to break growth imperative, short-termism and the dominance of the financial system.

Discussion

Two parallel workshops.

Workshop 1: Social monies

Location: Marquee, Schiffflange

John Roger,

CES, Germany.

Presentation of CES.

Heloisa da Primavera,

Teacher of the Master's Degree of Public Administration, Faculty of Economic Sciences, Buenos Aires University, Argentina.

Joël Lebossé,

Filaction, Québec, Canada.

Presentation of Accorderie, partnership project with the "Caisse d'Economie Solidaire Desjardins".

Jean Philippe Poulnot,

France.

Interest of social monies and goals of SOL project.

Moderated by:

Debora Nunes,

University Salvador de Bahia, Brasil.

Workshop 2: Our Answer to the global banking crisis - The need for a genuine alternative Finance sector.

Location: Salle communale, Moulin Bestgen, Schiffflange

Lucie Villeneuve,

Quebec network of community credit, Cap Financement, (Chantier de l'économie sociale), Canada.

Clifford N. Rosenthal,

The National Federation of Community Development Credit Unions, USA.

Paul Ouellet,

general co-ordinator of Caisse d'Economie Solidaire Desjardins, Québec, Canada.

Paul Mackay,

chairman of GLS Bank, Germany.

Moderated by:

Cécile Verjus,

Société Coopérative financière de la NEF, France.

Proposals

Common workshop. Each group will submit its proposals to the floor for discussion and conclusions will be brought back to the forum plenary session on Saturday.

Workshop one shot 1



Saturday 25 April: 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Location: Plenary session Marquee (Schiffflange)

Working language: EN
Simultaneous interpretation: FR + DE

Un Curriculum européen pour l'économie sociale et solidaire locale

Lead organisation: Technologie-Netzwerk Berlin / EURONETZ

Un groupe de travail international avec des partenaires d'Allemagne, d'Italie, de Pologne et du Royaume-Uni a développé un international set of learning packages pour les praticiens et les partisans de l'économie sociale et solidaire locale. Les modules comprennent: l'avenir du travail, l'avenir de l'économie, le développement communautaire et l'économie communautaire et le développement d'une culture sociale d'entreprise.

Resource persons:

Dr. Karl Birkhölzer and
Dr. Günther Lorenz,
European Network for Economic Self-Help and Local Development, Germany.

Workshop one shot 2



Saturday 25 April: 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Location: Lino Gris Kulturfabrik (Esch-sur-Alzette)

Working language: FR
Simultaneous interpretation: EN

New forms of social economy for the indigenous populations dealing with the urban reality in Quebec

Lead organisation: Regroupement des centres d'amitié autochtones du Québec (RCAAQ)
Partner organisation: Chantier de l'économie sociale (Québec, Canada)

The RCAAQ will present an economic mobilisation initiative that encourages the development of native activity models and social economy enterprises within the Native Friendship Centre Movement in Quebec, which may be exported to other native environments.

PowerPoint presentation by Ms Edith Cloutier, President, and Ms Josée Goulet, General Director, of the Regroupement des centres d'amitié autochtones du Québec (Canada). The presentation will take approximately one hour.

Over the course of the next hour, group exchanges and discussions will be held between the partners and the workshop participants.

Details of the subject: the social economy represents an extraordinary development tool for the Native Friendship Centre Movement in Quebec, since it generates both economic and social wealth. In this way, it contributes to the creation of collective wealth through the creation of sustainable and worthwhile jobs, the increase in the level of employability, the development and provision of culturally appropriate services, as well as to the fight against poverty and social exclusion. Finally, the values advocated by the social economy are perfectly in keeping with those promoted by the First Nations of Quebec and the Native Friendship Centre Movement in Quebec.

The workshop will provide an excellent opportunity to take stock of the developments regarding the social economy in the Native Friendship Centre Movement in Quebec, including the implementation of a native model of the social economy. This model, which has been proposed by the RCAAQ, brings together the ecological, economic, spiritual and cultural dimensions in order to ensure a promising and harmonious future for the indigenous communities in the Quebec urban area. We hope that by sharing this native social economy model, we will be able to encourage the emergence of native social economy initiatives throughout the world.

Resource persons:

Edith Cloutier, *President* and **Josée Goulet**, *General Director*, of the Regroupement des centres d'amitié autochtones du Québec, Canada.

Workshop 3: cancelled

Saturday 25 April: 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Location: Salle communale Moulin Bestgen (Schifflange)

Working language: FR
Simultaneous interpretation: EN + ES

Women and solidarity-based entrepreneurship

Lead organisation: MES France
Partner organisation: Ethel Côté, RCDÉC

This workshop will provide an opportunity to present examples of best practice from France, North and South America and Africa, to explore potential developments, obstacles and the essential conditions for the development of women's collective entrepreneurship and the place of women within the social economy movement.

"Inequalities continue to exist in many countries. In particular, we are seeing the worrying trend towards the feminisation of poverty. Women are often the most affected by socio-economic degradation and the effects of liberalism. Many women faced by situations of poverty or precariousness have an absolute need to guarantee an income for both their own survival and that of their children. These women create activities that enable them both to ensure that they receive an income and also to use their knowledge and skills that have often been acquired in difficult conditions in which it is necessary to deploy all of one's energy and strength in order to survive. These projects promote capacity building for women, as well as their social and professional emancipation. These initiatives, which are all covered by the term solidarity economy, serve to dynamically articulate issues related to health, education, culture and policy in the widest sense of the term. The place of women and their involvement in the economy is a reflection of their dynamism, their energy and their quest for practical and political solutions."

The first part of this workshop will be dedicated to the presentation

of examples of good practice from France, North and South America and Africa.

The group will then focus its attention on the potential, obstacles and constraints of women's collective entrepreneurship and the place of women within the Solidarity Economy Movement. This exchange should make it possible to take gender related issues into account in all of our networks. The recognition of the contribution made by women to the notion of wealth and to a more just and egalitarian society, should enable the development of a responsible, plural and solidarity-based economy.

Finally, it will be possible to explore specific areas in order to confirm the essential conditions required to favour women's solidarity-based entrepreneurship and the development of women's social enterprises, associations and networks in the social and solidarity economy.

Resource persons:

Madeleine Hersent,
Le réseau Réactives, France.
Ethel Côté,
CCEDNet and the Women's Organisation, Canada.
Djakagbé Kaba,
African Women's Network.
Nedda Angulo Villareal,
Las Cantinas populares, Peru.
Julie Matthaei,
US SEN, United States.

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Saturday 25 April: 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Location: Petite Salle Kulturfabrik, Esch-sur-Alzette

Working language: FR
Simultaneous interpretation: EN + ES

Social and environmental clauses in public procurement contracts

Lead organisation: Objectif Plein Emploi, Luxembourg

Inventing new indicators and mobilising the public procurement process in favour of sustainable and balanced local/territorial development. Is this a possible policy option?

Renaud Rahier,
Chairman of the SSE Working Group of the CESGR.
Introduction.

Maitre Wilfried Meynet,
Delsol & Associés; Lawyer and member of the Bar of Marseille and of Luxembourg.

The limitations of the public procurement process for French associations.

Jean-Louis Doppler,
Relais Emploi Strasbourg, France.
From public procurement to sustainable development; or how to involve individuals in this dynamic.

Paul Huens and Diane Remy,
Objectif Plein Emploi, Luxembourg.
Long-term development and public procurement: is a divorce required?

Dr. Samuel Thirion,
Council of Europe.
Building indicators of societal progress with the citizens: what are the possible applications for public policies and public procurement contracts?

Prof. David Hiez,
University of Luxembourg.
Conclusions and future prospects.

Questions-Debate

Moderated by:
Gilles Dacheux,
Objectif Plein Emploi, Luxembourg.

Saturday 25 April: 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Location: Salle Grand-Duc Jean (Schifflange)

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The representativeness of civil society in the public debate

Lead organisation: Greenpeace Luxembourg

As well as striving to achieve their respective objectives, civil society organisations are also indisputable actors in the public debate. Indeed, many organisations have created specific structures that are dedicated to “political work”. But even those who do not wish to get involved in political matters find themselves doing so, regardless of whether or not they do so intentionally. This means that, regardless of the level at which they are active or competent, the components of civil society are invited, or invite themselves, to take part in the public debate, from the local level to the level of the international institutions, via the regional, national or supranational level. Irrespective of whether or not it is organised as part of a specific structure, civil society is a stakeholder in the decision-making process.

Furthermore, NGOs have become key actors on the political stage. Some of them have become media darlings who are capable of influencing decisions and this is something that the States have been quick to understand. Indeed, some of them have even set up their own NGOs, known as GONGOs (Governmental NGOs) – so as to counterbalance some of the criticism levelled at them. Others called into question the representativeness of the NGOs. What is their legitimacy, since they have not been elected by anyone? Position papers and opinions are often disparaged, particularly when they are not wanted or when they run counter to the expected message. In these cases, more often than not, it is the legitimacy of the organisations that is challenged.

The aim of this workshop will be to examine the articulation between the representativeness and the legitimacy of civil society when it becomes involved in the public debate. The four speakers in this workshop will attempt to initiate a debate with the participants by addressing the following questions:

- On whose behalf do NGOs express their views?
- What can be done to improve the representativeness of civil society and to give it greater legitimacy in its role as a stakeholder in the public debate

Programme:

Workshop moderator:

Mike Matthias,
*Coordinator of the Cercle des ONG,
Luxembourg.*

Introduction to the workshop

Marc Thiltgen,
*political scientist, University of Vienna,
Austria.*

Basing his presentation notably on a series of opinion polls, Mr Thiltgen will examine the perceptions of civil society in terms of representativeness and legitimacy.

François Meyronein,
*Director of Innovation and
Development, Saint Fons, France and
President of ASD, a joint development
NGO that is active in both France and
Burkina Faso.*

Speaker from the North: “The influence of civil society influence in public debate at the local level: difficulties in the North and the realities of the South. On the basis of his dual involvement – in social development in France in the suburbs of Lyon, and as the founder of a joint cooperation experimental initiative between Saint Fons and Gorom-

Gorom, Mr. Meyronein will share his experiences as an actor in the local public debate.

Paul Delaunois,
Director of Greenpeace Luxembourg.
Civil society must contribute to the emergence of a more equitable form of world governance, but what legitimacy does it have to play this role? Mr Delaunois believes that the increasing involvement of non-governmental organisations in political negotiations may contribute in a positive manner to the emergence and establishment of a more legitimate, effective and democratic form of governance. But this requires a certain number of changes to take place.

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Saturday 25 April: 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Location: Grande Salle Kulturfabrik (Esch-sur-Alzette)

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Young people and the social and solidarity economy

Lead organisation: RENAPESS -Canadian network for community economic development

Partner organisations: Baba Cisse (RENAPESS / JUA - Mali), Souleymane Sarr (AJA Mali) and Chako Chérif (RENIPESS). Other youth organisations may be added to this list of partners, but at the moment we are still awaiting to hear from them.

The socio-economic integration of thousands and millions of young people.

The intention of this workshop is to focus on the issue of capacity-building, the development of leadership amongst young people, raising awareness of citizen's commitment, socio-economic integration and the place of young people within the social and solidarity economy. The workshop will provide an opportunity for the sharing of meaningful practices and experiences and the exploration of specific long-term strategies.

In several countries, young people are considered either as the relief team or as a time bomb. Youth organisations in both the north and the south are continuously looking at this issue and several work on a daily basis in order to actively involvement thousands of young people. These organisations are at the crossroads between political organisations, civil society and the public authorities, since young people are often the prey of certain interests, the target of certain programmes and are sometimes left to their own devices, since some people delight in telling them that, "it will be your turn one day". Several of these organisations stand out because they play a very specific role in the areas of citizen's education, capacity building, the development of leadership amongst young people, raising awareness of citizen's commitment and socio-economic integration. Certain of these organisations carry out their activities by directly involving young people in all of their strategies, thereby favouring the empowerment of young people and major societal

changes. But this increasing service provision does not always manage to promote the socio-economic integration of thousands and millions of young people into active life in both the North and the South.

The presentation of certain examples of the socio-economic integration of young people into active life (services, programmes, real impacts) by RENAPESS / JUA - Mali, AJA Mali, RENIPESS and the CCEDNet and the ensuing debate amongst the participants, which will be moderated by Madani Koumaré, should make it possible to take stock of the current situation and to identify good practices, whilst at the same time addressing certain fundamental questions:

How can we really favour the socio-economic integration of young people into active life?

How can, or already does, the social and solidarity economy play a more structuring role amongst and with young people?

Is undertaking action on a solidarity basis a promising avenue for young people and how can this be integrated within a global approach?

What is the place of young people in the social and solidarity economy movement and to what place do they aspire?

In the next, and concluding, part of this workshop, the three networks that promote the social and solidarity economy (Ethel Côté, Souleymane Sarr, Baba Cisse and Chako Chérif) and that support the efforts of youth movements, will present a global integration strategy designed to foster trust (the role of young

people in society, the development of leadership amongst young people, the commitment of the citizens), belief in the future (exposure to opportunities and examples of successes, as well as the discovery of youth models), capacity-building in areas in which opportunities exist (employability programmes, support for job-seekers, civic education, technical entrepreneurship assistance, economic literacy and basic training, as well as work experience placements in employment and voluntary organisations) and socio-economic integration (access to financing, to the market, to means of production, to information and to networking). The promoters' intention is that the ultimate purpose of this global strategy will be to reduce unemployment amongst young people, to combat migration, to reduce poverty and to encourage participation and the sense of responsible citizenship amongst young people. Finally, what we have is a holistic strategy that is based on human dignity, social and economic utility, in which young people will feel fulfilled in a solidarity-based economy. The participants will be able to draw inspiration from this proposal and may even be able to collectively enhance it to the benefit of development and in order to consolidate the networks and organisations in the social and solidarity economy.

The contributions of the participants, particularly the young, in terms of both their age, heart and spirit, is of capital importance to ensure the success of this workshop, which is designed to be dynamic, interactive and participative.

Village and culturel programme

Village of Solidarity-based Economy

During the four days of the forum, there will be a Village organized around the City Hall, with fifteen stands (associations, cooperatives, products fair trade, food, crafts, books, etc.) held by organisations from France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Spain and various African countries. Plus a large catering area.

Culturel programme



Quintasy (photo: Patrick Humbert)



Sevda Azeri Jazz Project



Taraf décalé

Wednesday, April 22nd at 7.00p.m. - Schiffflange

QUINTASY

at the SSE Village

Genre: «Fresh, funky, groovy flavours from Luxembourg».

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Thursday April 23rd at 8.30 p.m. - Kulturfabrik Esch

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The voice of the Caspian sea

Genre: «World Music»,

Friday, 24th of April at 7.00 p.m. - Kulturfabrik Esch

LE PRINTEMPS DES POÈTES

Avec la présence de:

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Genre: lectures en public

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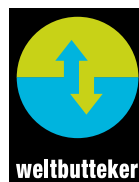
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Abstract

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11.30 – 1.00 p.m.		Workshops series 2	Workshops series 2	Workshops series 2
Lunch				
2.30 – 4.30 p.m.	Continental meetings RIPESS	Plenary session with elected representatives and representative from international institutions	Plenary session with other civil society movements	Workshops one shot
5.00 – 7.00 p.m.	Opening of the Forum and Village	Continental meetings RIPESS	Intercontinental meetings RIPESS	Closing plenary
Evening	Quintas	Sevda Azeri Jazz Project	Le printemps des poètes	Party

WORKSHOPS - SERIES 1

0. Education/Empowerment and SSE What are the competences, the contents and the educational institutions of the professional actors in the SSE field?
- INEES, RCDEC-CCEDNET

1. SSE and co-construction of public policies. The SSE is based on a project that it is economic, social and political. Partnerships are constructed with local governments. - REVES; RTES

2. SSE, social services of general interest and common goods. Social services and common goods such as water respond to the general interest and represent a significant share of economic activities and jobs.
- THINK TANK EUROPEEN POUR LA SOLIDARITE

3. Solidarity-based entrepreneurship. Or how all around the world concrete initiatives demonstrate that «entrepreneurship differently» is possible. - ENSIE

4. SSE and the environment. The SSE is developing within a context of sustainable development.
- RESSOURCES

5. SSE and food sovereignty. Food sovereignty is only possible along side real economic sovereignty.
- FIMARC

6. Responsible production and consumption. The need for responsible partnerships and enterprises, changing the way we trade both locally and at a global level.
- WFTO; URGENCI

WORKSHOPS - SERIES 2

7. Democratic participation and anchoring the SSE at a territorial level. The participation of the inhabitants in the local democracy makes it possible to respond effectively to the needs of the community.
- PACTES LOCAUX

8. The contribution of SSE. It is difficult to use conventional indicators of results and evaluation systems to measure the capacity of innovation, production of social cohesion and the societal responsibility of SSE organisations.
- EMES

9. Networks within the SSE. To forge alliances and to gather the actors of the economic alternative proves an essential stake to strengthen the grass root's experiences. - SAW-B

10. The SSE and communication. How do we approach communication through the media?
- FIDAREC

11. SSE and trade union action. The trade union and the social and solidarity economy have a long common history.
- PROPAGE-S

12. SSE and solidarity-based financing. Every citizen is both a saver and a consumer, so he is an economic actor who can direct his choices. - INAISE

ONE SHOT WORKSHOPS

1. A European curriculum for the Social Solidarity Economy.
- TechNet Berlin

2. New forms of economy in the natives communities.
- RCAAQ

3. cancelled

4. The woman and solidarity-based entrepreneurship.
- MES

5. The social and environmental clauses in the public procurement contracts.
- OPE

6. The representativeness of the civil society in the public debate.
- Greenpeace Luxembourg

7. Youth and solidarity and social economy.
- RENAPESS



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