

EDUCATION *THROUGH* AND *TO* SOCIAL ECONOMY VALUES



EXPLORATION SEMINAR

30 JANUARY 2019

ANCB - Pfefferberg | Haus 11, Christinenstraße
18-19, 10119 Berlin



Social economy significantly gained momentum in recent years – at EU level and in a number of Member States. The need to strengthen a type of economy that fosters active citizenship, employment, participation and empowerment, solidarity and cooperation is more and more recognised. A diversity of measures have been adopted or are being discussed to promote this type of enterprise – be it through financing, the establishment and/or reinforcement of support structures, better access to public and private procurement and other initiatives.

Yet, all these measures won't be effective if there is no interest from the side of citizens (as beneficiaries/consumers/co-entrepreneurs) or potential (future) social economy entrepreneurs. Frequently, lack of interest has its roots in a lack of knowledge. What is the social economy? Where do I come (or not) across social economy initiatives in my daily life? Which are the principles on which this kind of enterprises/organisations are built? How can we shape society using social economy as a tool?

Key to better knowledge and use of opportunities provided by and with the social economy, and so far rather neglected and unexplored, is education.

This seminar will deal with this topic from two perspectives:

It will explore, on one hand, possibilities and means to promote social economy values and social economy entrepreneurial thinking in schools (starting from primary school). In a second part, the focus of discussions will be on educational institutions, including kindergartens, which belong themselves to the social economy and strive to convey the spirit of solidarity, participation and cooperation to pupils, teacher, parents...

The objective of the seminar is to bring together policy-makers, persons and organisations working in the field of education, social economy and other interested actors from different countries to explore the topic together, define needs and discuss potential joint initiatives.



9.00 am: Welcome by Margitta Haertel, Pfefferwerk Foundation Berlin and REVES Co-presidents

9.30: Setting the framework: Education through and to social economy values as a means to regenerate our societies (including presentation of the Italian project “Ecologia Integrale per i Diritti dell' Infanzia”), led by Community Foundation of Messina

**10.00: Experiences for cooperative ways of setting up undertakings among pupils
Presentation of practice cases from different EU Member States**

11.15: Coffee Break

11.30: Panel discussion “How to bring social economy stronger into school curricula?” (This discussion will also include the aspect ‘teacher training’.)

13.00: Light Lunch & Guided Tour on Pfefferberg

14.00: Social economy as an instrument to establish and manage educational experiences

14.30: Presentation of good practice cases from different EU Member States

15.30: Open space discussions

17.30: Wrap-up by the rapporteurs of the different tables

17.50: Outlining perspectives for future work on the topic (REVES Co-presidents)

19.00: Dinner at Pfefferbräu, the new brewery on Pfefferberg (tbc) (at participants' own costs)

20.30 – 22.00: Screening of the Movie « Primula Rossa » (The Scarlet Pimpernel), 2018, on a project of the Community Foundation Messina (Italian with English subtitles)

