Best practices and actions taken for strengthening and promoting the importance of the Social Economy in Podkarpackie Region
Regional overview
Podkarpackie Region
Poland

- More than **2,100,000** inhabitants ~ 5.5% population of Poland
- Total area of the region: **17,844 km²**
- Capital: Rzeszów – **180,000** inhabitants
- **50,500** enterprises
- Over **300** social enterprises
- Unemployment - **8.7%** ~ Average for Poland is 5.8%
- Poverty - **8.8%** ~ Average for Poland is 4.9%
- Average monthly salary – **800 EUR** ~ Average for Poland **1060 EUR**
Social Economy Background

- The National Programme of Social Economy Development (K PRES) - Main Polish strategic document regarding Social Economy development - Ministry of family, labour and social policy
- Podkarpackie Comittee for Social Economy Development - monitors policy implementation and social economy development - Regional Center of Social Policy
- Podkarpackie Regional Operational Programme 2014-2020 Priority VIII Social Integration (100 mln EUR) - Marshall Office of Podkarpackie Voivodeship and Regional Labour Office
- Social economy support centres (OWES) – All supporting tools in one organisation accredited by the Ministry – Three support centres in the region – one is led by Rzeszow Regional Development Agency
How to provide financial support in effective way?

Identified problem - communication

Marshall Office of Podkarpackie Voivodeship

Regional Labour Office

Social economy support centres

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New ideas are coming from the community
Elaborating new tools to increase the effectiveness of local and regional policies for stimulation of growth & employment in social enterprises.

Seeking new ways of supporting development of social economy including new consulting services, better customisation of animation and networking services addressed to the specific needs of social enterprises.

Comprehensive support for the social economy sector in the Podkarpackie Voivodeship including: animation services, incubation, consultancy, training courses, grants for employment, bridge support for maintaining work places.

Strengthening the key competences and skills of unemployed young people to help them start a social enterprise.
# ROWES – figures

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<th>Results of activity</th>
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<td>1. The number of people supported in the projects</td>
<td>700</td>
<td>4000</td>
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<td>2. The number of people people at risk of poverty and social exclusion supported in the projects</td>
<td>120</td>
<td>1800</td>
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<td>3. The number of NGO's and social enterprises supported in the projects</td>
<td>60</td>
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<td>4. The number of initiative groups established in the projects aiming to set up a social enterprise</td>
<td>39</td>
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<td>5. The number of local communities engaged to run initiatives in social economy</td>
<td>21</td>
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<td>6. The number of jobs created in new social enterprises</td>
<td>89</td>
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<td>8. The number of jobs created in existing social enterprises (FTE)</td>
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| Characteristics of the projects | 7 different projects with total budget of approx 3 mln EUR | 2 large projects with total budget of 12 mln EUR |
2007-2016

Many different projects

2017-2019

All supporting tools in one organisation

2020-2023

New ways of supporting Development of social economy

2024-2030

New sources of finansing

Project 1

Project 2

Project 3

Project 4

Project 5

Project 6

Project 7

Support is deconcentrated and fragmented

Support goes to various range of initiatives

Support goes to initiatives which are considered as best practises

Support goes to most sustainable organisations

Podkarpackie Regional Operational Programme

100%

EU funds < 50%

Private sources > 50%
Polifonia Project Social Cooperative has been active since 02.27.2014.

Founded by a group of 6 people who had earlier formed associations in Podkarpacie.
Cooperation with the music school

The club is a place where you can meet up with music, culture, art and entertainment, and actively participate in workshops, surveys teams or competitions for young talents organized by the club in collaboration with the musical school. A large number of young people we allow the first contact with the stage and the audience.

We care about professional preparation and an appropriate level of binding concerts. We want young performers have adequate preparation for playing the 'big stage', and the recipient getting a good spectacle artistic level. We organize, among others, mostly alternative music concerts or film screenings, as well as meetings during which the public can live to meet with artists and creators, as well as ask questions and participate in discussions.
Recording Studio

At the club we also have two rehearsal rooms. Students from the music school and beginner music groups can use the studio. A recording studio is a specialized facility for sound recording, mixing, and audio production of instrumental or vocal musical performances. They range in size from a small in-home "project studio" large enough to record a single singer-guitarist.
Thank you for your attention

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