



“Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development through Social and Solidarity Economy”

2nd Europe Policy Dialogue

as thematic session within the
2nd World Forum on Urban Violence and Education for
Coexistence and Peace

1. Title: **Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development through Social and Solidarity Economy**
2. Date and time: Wednesday 7th November from 11:00-13:00
3. Venue: CINETECA Plató, Matadero, Madrid, Spain
4. Background

The Global Social Economy Forum (GSEF) brings together efforts from Local Governments and Social and Solidarity Economy (SSE) organizations and networks for partnership and collaboration at global level. In 2017, 1st Europe Policy Dialogue (EPD) was organized by GSEF in Archamps, France as first in its kind as neutral space inviting European members and partners as well as civil society actors in the sector in Europe. In 2018, to continue the momentum and importance of the discussions in Europe around social economy policy and practices, GSEF plans to organize its 2nd Europe Policy Dialogue.

In 2018 GSEF organized its 4th International Global Social Economy Forum in Bilbao, Spain, where more than 1,700 participants from 84 countries gathered and shared the value of the social economy under the theme of “Values and competitiveness for an inclusive and sustainable local development” from 1st to 3rd October through plenary sessions, workshop and networking sessions by inviting cities and local and central governments, social economy actors and networks, universities and researchers and individuals.

Through collaboration between social economy organizations and local governments, GSEF pursues creation of quality jobs, fair growth, progress of grassroots democracy, and sustainable development.

The 2nd Europe Policy Dialogue will be organized as a thematic session within the 2nd World Forum on Urban Violence and Education for Coexistence and Peace to be able to bring both themes of achieving peace and sustainable development through SSE.

5. Expected results

- As strategic meeting with partners, local governments and civil society actors in Europe, EPD will lead discussions on current EU Policy on SSE and ecosystem, future collaboration and international cooperation initiatives, and possible projects by transferring best practices and knowhow as well as challenges from EU to other continents.
- EPD can give a highlight in advocating for values of Social Economy and Social Solidarity Economy in all European and international agenda in the process of implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals.
- EPD will be able to deepen and widen discussions on current EU Policy on SSE and ecosystem, future collaboration and international cooperation initiatives, and possible projects by transferring best practices and knowhow as well as challenges from EU to other continents.
- EPD will be a channel for GSEF to connect with current and possible members in Europe to consolidate the network and collaboration as well as to continue existing interests and momentum of discussions triggered by other EU SSE meetings, REVES Days 2018 on SSE as well as the GSEF 2018 Bilbao Forum.
- EPD will bring and share the results from the 5th Asia Policy Dialogue and 1st Africa Policy Dialogue to have a common understanding on SSE trends and issues at global level.
- EPD and all the other forums, workshops and seminars organized by GSEF will serve as a successful advocacy tool to advocate for values of Social Economy and Social Solidarity Economy in the international agenda in the process of implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals and its localization and achievement.

6. Organization: GSEF Secretariat with support from the UCLG Secretariat, City of Madrid, RTES and FAMSI

* *UCLG World Council is scheduled from 4th to 8th November in Madrid, Spain*

* 2nd World Forum on Urban Violence and Education for Coexistence and Peace is organized by the City of Madrid from 5th to 8th November.

7. Program

This session will invite cities/local governments and SSE networks and actors in order to provide opportunity to share policies, experiences and innovative ideas for partnerships and collaboration

- PART 1 Progress in reducing inequality within and among countries through SSE
- PART 2 Exchange of good practices & strategies for inclusive and sustainable economic growth and decent work for all through SSE
- PART 3 Discussion & networking

Time	Content	Presenter/moderator
11:00-11:05	Introduction of the session	GSEF
11:05-11:10	Opening remarks Cities/Local Governments and Social Economy to achieve Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)	UCLG Ms. Sara Höflich
PART 1 Progress in reducing inequality within and among countries through SSE Moderator: Ms. Laurence Kwark (GSEF)		
11:10-11:20	Progress in reducing inequality within and among countries through SSE	RTES Vice President Mr. Henri Arévalo
11:20-11:30	Peaceful and inclusive society with sustainability through SSE	FAMSI/REAS President Mr. Jose Luis Sánchez
PART 2 Exchange of good practices & strategies for inclusive and sustainable economic growth and decent work for all through SSE Moderator: Ms. Sara Höflich (UCLG)		
11:30-11:45	Inclusive and sustainable economic growth and decent work for all through SSE "Inclusive and sustainable <i>Sharing City</i> "	Barcelona Director Ms. Esther Vidal
11:45-12:00	Inclusive and sustainable economic growth and decent work for all through SSE "City of Peace"	Madrid Deputy Director General Carmen Pérez López
12:00-12:15	Inclusive and sustainable economic growth and decent work for all through SSE	Liverpool Chair Ms. Lynn Collins
12:15-12:40	Q&A	
PART 3 Discussion & Networking Moderator: Ms. Laurence Kwark (GSEF)		
12:40-12:50	SSE to achieve SDGs from the perspectives of cities	Bolivia Mr. Alvaro Horacio Ruiz Garcia Mayor of Uriondo (Tarija) and President of FAM Bolivia
12:50-13:00	SSE and social inclusion of migrants in EU, from the recent EU research	EURICSE Giulia Galera
13:00-13:10	Closing remarks	GSEF
13:10	Closing and networking	

*UCLG Community of Practice on Social and Solidarity (CoP on SSE) meeting will be organized in relation to this session.