



### PRESIDENCY CONFERENCE

## « BOOSTING SOCIAL ENTERPRISES IN EUROPE »

**P**ROGRAM

VENUE: HÉMICYCLE, LUXEMBOURG-KIRCHBERG

1, RUE DU FORT THUENGEN







# Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>

#### 10.00 Arrival of participants

Given the presence of TRHs Hereditary Grand Duke Guillaume and Hereditary Grand Duchess Stéphanie of Luxembourg at the official opening of the Presidency Conference, the organizers invite all participants to be in the conference room at 11.15.

#### 11.30 Official Opening and addresses

Nicolas SCHMIT, Minister of Labour, Employment and Social and Solidarity

Economy

Jens NILSSON, Member of the European Parliament and Co-president of the

Social Economy Intergroup of the European Parliament

Georges DASSIS, President of the European Economic and Social Committee

12.00 Leverage for Good: The New Frontiers of Philanthropy and Social Investing

Professor Dr. Lester M. SALAMON, Director and Senior Research Professor,

Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies

13.00 Networking Buffet

14.30 Social innovation as a Key Driver for Economic Sustainable Development

Social innovation is defined as the development and implementation of new ideas to meet social needs. But how do we create social innovation? How can we systematically integrate social innovation in the inducement and development of

economic activities?

Presentations Magdas Hotel (Caritas Austria)

Start & Code (Le Comptoir de l'Innovation, JP Morgan Chase)

Nicolas HAZARD (Le Comptoir de l'Innovation)

Felix OLDENBURG (Ashoka)

Hedda PAHLSON-MOLLER (EVPA, LMDF, TIIME), moderator

Andreja ROSANDIC (NESST), GECES Member Heather ROY (Eurodiaconia), GECES Member Gabriela SONNLEITNER (Magdas Hotel)

Robert URBÉ (ULESS)

16.30 Social Innovation into Practice

Introduction Denis STOKKINK (Pour la Solidarité), General Rapporteur GECES

Social Economy Organizations will be offered the opportunity to present themselves and their recent innovative activities through an open exhibition. A

selection has been made in order to provide a wide spectrum of activities.

18.00 Bus transfer to Hotels

19.00 Bus transfer from Hotels to Official Reception at *Cercle Cité* (Old Town)

Offered by the Luxembourg Presidency of the EU Council

22.00 Bus transfer from Cercle Cité to Hotels





## Friday, December 4th

8.15 Bus transfer from Hotels to the Hémicycle

9.00 General Introduction – Financing Social Economy Enterprises

Jean-Christophe BURKEL (ULESS), GECES Member

9.15 Financing Social Economy in Quebec

Claude DORION (MCE Conseil, INAISE, Rencontres du Mont Blanc, CIRIEC-

Canada)

9.45 Involving Individual Savings into Social Economy Enterprises

Is there a way to connect individual savings to social economy projects? The issue is not only about involving citizens into the functioning of financial markets, it's also about encouraging long-term investments into enterprises and projects encompassing social impact. Patient capital is key to the development of non-for-profit economic activities.

Anouk AGNES (ALFI), moderator Claude DORION (MCE Conseil) Sophie DES MAZERY (Finansol) José MONCADA (La bolsa social) Helen SHEPPARD (AMICE) Daniel SORROSAL (Febea)

10.50 European Economic and Social Committee Exploratory Opinion on « Building a

Financial Ecosystem for Social Enterprises »

Ariane RODERT, Member of European Economic and Social Committee, GECES Observer

11.10 Building a Financial Eco-System for Social Economy Enterprises

Public funding remain crucial to social economy enterprises. Beside more "traditional" ethical and/or solidarity-based sources of financing, new sources of financing are emerging (social impact bonds, venture philanthropy, impact investing, etc.). Can the debate on financing social economy enterprises be reduced to public funding vs. private financing? Wouldn't it be the time to find a balance between what exists and what is emerging? Shouldn't we re-think the entire eco-system as continuum of financing tools?

Ann BRANCH (European Commission)

Ulrich GRABENWARTER (European Investment Fund), moderator

Antonella NOYA (OECD), GECES special guest

Juan Antonio PEDRENO (CEPES) Marco RATTI (Banca Prossima)

Hugues SIBILLE (Crédit coopératif), GECES Member

Eva VARGA (Independent expert)

12.15 High Level Closing Event – Declaration of Luxembourg

12.30 Networking Buffet

15.00 Bus Transfer from Hémicycle to Airport and to City-Station