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REPORT LAUNCH EVENT 2023

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About the event

Title: Social Economy Conference: Skills, Visibility & Funding

Date: Friday 3rd November 2023 from 9am to 4.30pm.

Type of event/Venue: In person. Ashling Hotel, Dublin, IRELAND.

The launch event for baSE has been included within a bigger event focused on Social Economy organised by The Wheel.

The target audience for this event were workers and board members from Social Economy organisations, VET providers, sector experts and volunteers.

The baSE focused part of the event gathered 44 people.

We were honoured to have Sarah De Heusch, Director of Social Economy Europe deliver the keynote speech.

The baSE project in the spotlight

As “Skills” was one of the three main themes of the conference, the baSE project was presented, mentioned and/or included in several parts of the event.

1. Parallel Session: “Social Economy Skills Needs”

Gathering over 30 participants, this session lasted 90min and included three 10-min presentations:

- 1. The baSE project: General Aims & Approach** - Sarah de Heusch, Director of Social Economy Europe
- 2. How to Identify Skills Strengths among your staff and volunteers** – Mateja Jaksic, Skills Summary Project Co-ordinator, National Youth Council of Ireland
- 3. Guidance on reviewing organisational skills needs, skills audits and training opportunities available through your local ETB** – Margaret Corbett, Employer Engagement Officer, City of Dublin Education and Training Board

Sarah de Heusch opened this parallel session on the topic “Social Economy Skills Needs” by presenting the baSE project to the participants.

After a short Q&A with the speakers, the participants worked in small groups on a worksheet to discuss Skills Needs, Audits and Training Opportunities. The session concluded with the participants’ feedback and final words from Mairead O’Connor, Skills Development Snr Manager, The Wheel.

Watch video of the session here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cLaU8lqIn5w&list=PLnDt7VKdqe4vk510WukiFunTvMf4kFLHT&index=1>

2. An overview of the baSE project

Perrine Cesbron, Programme Officer at The Wheel and Project Coordinator of the baSE project delivered a 15-minute presentation on the project. She presented on:

- The aim
- The partners
- The Work Packages: the work that had been undertaken in WP2 and the next steps of the project (WP3 to WP6)
- The outputs
- The magazine

She concluded her presentation by showing the audience how to access the website where all the outputs will be posted.

3. Panel Discussion on “Future-Ready Skills for the Social Economy”

For this part of the event, The Wheel invited three experts in the sector to sit on this panel on the topic “Future-Ready Skills for the Social Economy”:

- Dr Ciarán Dunne, Transversal Skills Director, Dublin City University
- Dr Tracey Monson, CEO Daughters of Charity
- Dr Eoin Byrne, Training Manager, GROW Remote

The one-hour panel was moderated by The Wheel's Skills Development Senior Manager, Mairead O'Connor. The audience also had the opportunity to ask skills-related questions to the panel. After the panel, participants could gather ideas and feedback at their table during a 20-minute table discussion.

Watch the panel discussion here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3eT2EaeKuOM&list=PLnDt7VKdqe4vk510WukiFunTvMf4kFLHT&index=2>

4. Keynote Speech by Sarah de Heusch, Director of Social Economy Europe

To conclude the event, Sarah de Heusch, Director of Social Economy Europe, gave the keynote speech to conclude the event. She mentioned the role of Social Economy Europe, the state of Social Economy in Europe, the Social Economy action plan, democratic participation, among other topics.

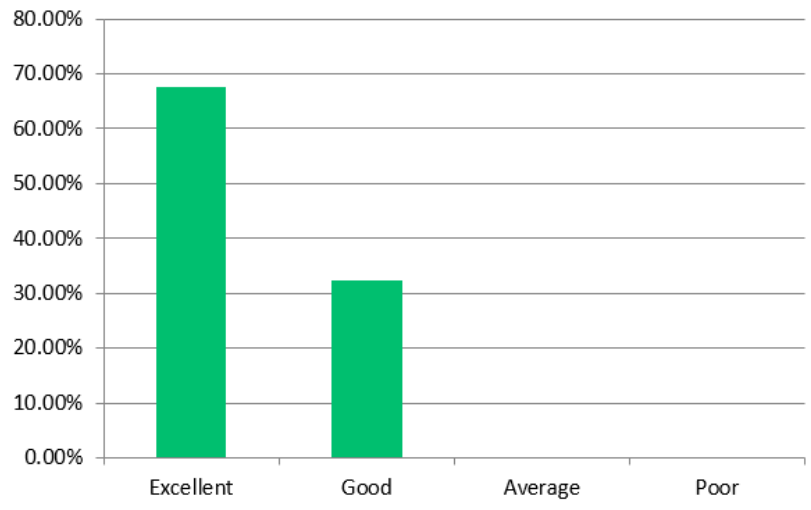
Watch the keynote speech here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qa2FSg3qolw&list=PLnDt7VKdqe4vk510WukiFunTvMf4kFLHT&index=3>

Some feedback

100% of participants rated the event as Good or Excellent:

How would you rate this event



“Excellent presentation. The speaker really delved into the topic and the questions section with input from the Participants was very informative.”

“Cutting through and explaining the jargon, and why it's useful, was extremely helpful. Great clarity and clear wisdom from experience. Invaluable!”

“The content was very informative and practical and it was presented in an easy-to-understand way. The engagement with the attendees was also very good.”

Partners

