

From Skills Needs to Skills Delivery: Policy Solutions for the Social Economy

Concept note and agenda of the event

Date: June 4th 2026 from 12:00 to 17:00

**Location :
EVBB office.
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Concept note

Europe's social economy is operating in a period of profound structural transformation. Climate urgency, biodiversity loss, widening social inequalities and accelerating digitalisation are reshaping how organisations work and create value. These interconnected dynamics define the triple transition — green, digital and fair —, requiring organisations and workers to adapt while ensuring that inclusion and social cohesion remain central to change. Social economy enterprises and organisations play an important role in delivering sustainable and people-centered solutions at local and regional levels. However, many still face barriers in developing the skills needed to respond to these transformations. Limited resources, fragmented training ecosystems and difficulties aligning learning opportunities with emerging needs continue to hinder effective skills development. As a result, a gap persists between identified skills needs and the availability of accessible, high-quality training opportunities tailored to the realities of the social economy.

The [baSE Project \(Blueprint Alliance for Social Economy and Proximity Skills\)](#), funded under the Erasmus+ Programme, brings together 25 partners from 10 European countries to address this challenge. Through the development of the SocioComp competence framework, competence-based curricula, online learning pathways and pilot training activities, the project aims to strengthen skills and organisational capacity across the social economy.

Building on previous results, this Policy Lab brings together policymakers, practitioners, training providers and social economy networks to reflect on how these training solutions can be strengthened, scaled and embedded into broader curricula and policy ecosystems. The event will present the project's key training tools and lessons learned from pilot training activities, including practical experiences from the field.

Through an interactive exchange, participants will share experiences and discuss the conditions needed to expand skills development in the social economy. They will also contribute to validating and refining a set of draft EU-level policy recommendations addressing key enabling conditions for the sector, including the replication of training models, supportive legal and policy frameworks, sustainable funding mechanisms and stronger coordination between social economy networks, training systems and public authorities.

Draft agenda

Registration and Lunch 12:00-13:00

Welcome & Setting the Scene - 13:00-13:20

*Overview of the baSE project vision, objectives and expected impact. - **Giulia Georg (DIESIS)***

Developing skills solutions- 13:20-13:40

*Presentation of the baSE training catalogue, MOOCs and competence-based curricula. – **Barbara Dainelli (ENAIP) online intervention***

Piloting Skills Solutions- 13:40-14:10

*Key findings and lessons learned from the training implementation phase. – **Julia Koczanowicz-Chondzyńska (FISE) online intervention***

*Practice spotlight: The case of ConcertES (Belgium) - **Pascale Zoetaert (ConcertES)***

Coffee break 14:10 –14:30

Policy Lab World Café: From Evidence to Recommendations- 14:30-16:30

Interactive in-person discussion to validate and refine EU-level policy recommendations for scaling skills development.

From Insights to Action - 16:30–17:00

Key takeaways and closing reflections

Partners



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