

## What future for Inclusive Enterprises? Exploring the link between Social Economy and Inclusive Enterprises 17th JUNE 2021

Despite the proximity in values and positions between the inclusive enterprises and the social economy, the lack of awareness of disability continues being a barrier for the recruitment of workers with disabilities, also within the social economy companies. Social enterprises combine entrepreneurial activity with a positive social, environmental or community impact. However, no consensus exists still on a definition of 'social enterprise'.

The objective of the event is to explore the possibilities and challenges of inclusive companies within the social economy and help to clarify ideas, set up different realities and establish common definitions.

### Introducing notes

**10.00- 10.05:** Ms Estrella DURA FERRANDIS MEP (S&D).

### Panel 1 – Inclusive enterprise model in the Social Economy

Coordinator: Mr. Marc ANGEL MEP (S&D).

Content of this panel:

- Inclusive enterprises. Goals and mapping. Characteristics and structures
- Social impact and possible synergies in the Social Economy (green deal, digitalisation)

**10.10- 10.20:** Ms. Uta Deutschländer and Dany Drion, President and Vice President of EUCIE, European Confederation of Inclusive Enterprises.

**10.20- 10.30:** Ms. Pepa Torres, Managing Director of FEACEM, Business Federation of Social Initiative Special Employment Centres.

**10.30- 10.40:** Mr. Haydn Hammersley, Policy Officer of EDF, European Disability Forum.

### Panel 2- Good practices examples of successful inclusive enterprises within the EU

Coordinator: Mr. Milan BRGLEZ MEP (S&D).

Content of this panel:

- What future for the social economy?
- Trends and good practices in the Member States

**10.45- 10.55:** Ms. Nora Milotay, Policy Analyst at the European Parliamentary Research Service (EPRS). Author of the report "What future for the social economy?"

**10. 55- 11.05:** Ms. Daphne Ahrendt, Senior Research Manager EUROFOUND. Author of the report "Disability and labour market integration: Policy trends and support in EU Member States".

**11.05- 11.15:** Ms. Sabina Lobato, General Director of Inserta Empleo, Fundación ONCE and member of the DWISE network.

### Conclusions– Making the future of work inclusive of people with disabilities

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How the Action Plan on Social Economy announced by the European Disability Strategy can contribute to foster Inclusive Enterprises?

**11.20 -11.30:** Mr. Víctor Meseguer, Director and President of Social Economy Europe.

**11.30- 11.40:** Mr. Haydn Hammersley, Policy Officer of EDF, European Disability Forum.

**11.40- 11.50:** Mr. Marc ANGEL and Mr. Milan BRGLEZ MEPs (S&D).

**11:50- 11:55:** Concluding speech by Ms. Helena Dalli, Commissioner for Equality (tbc).

### **Wrap up and closing**

**11.55- 12.00:** Ms. Alicia HOMS GINEL MEP (S&D).