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CONFERENCE SOCIAL ECONOMY AND SOCIAL COOPERATIVES

22-24 November 2013

November 22: Public Discussion, Film Screening

November 23: European Conference on Social Economy and Social Cooperative Enterprises

Venue: [Amphitheatre of Radio Athens 98,4 FM / TECHNOLIS \(100 Pireos str. Gazi, Athens\)](#)

November 24: Seminar “Building Sustainable social-cooperative enterprises”

Venue: [Ecological Cultural Centre \(315 Ionias Av., Ano Patissia, Athens, 0030 210 2525421\)](#)

Nikos CHRYSOGELOS in his capacity as MEP of the Greens – EFA in the European Parliament in cooperation with [Heinrich Böll Stiftung](#), [Green Institute](#), [Cooperative Bank of Western Macedonia](#), [Klimax PLUS](#), “Energy and Developmental Cooperative” of Sifnos, [ASPIS-KOS Network](#), [Ecological Recycling Society](#) and social cooperative “Mitos tis Ariadnis” are organizing the 2nd three-day event on Social Economy and Social Cooperative Enterprise:

With the support of the Thematic Groups “**Local Government**” and “**Economy**” of the Greek Green Party.

PROGRAM

Friday 22 November 2013: Public discussion, film screening

17:30-20:00 Panel :“**Policies for the promotion of social economy: Local, National and European Level**”

- **Simel ESIM**, Chief, Cooperatives Branch at [International Labour Organization \(ILO\)](#)
- **Bruno ROELANTS**, Secretary General of the European Confederation of Workers' Co-operatives, Social Co-operatives and Social and Participative Enterprises ([CECOP–CICOPA EUROPE](#))
- **Marcel SMEETS**, Director General at [Social Economy Europe](#)
- **Bernard DELVILLE**, President of federation of groups and cooperatives of citizens for renewable energy [REScoop.BE](#), Belgium
- **Robert PASICKO**, Energy and Climate Change Expert at [United Nations Development Programme \(UNDP\)](#)
- **Yiorgos KAMINIS**, Mayor of Athens
- **Rebecca Harms**, Co-President of the Greens / EFA group
- **Rania OIKONOMOU**, Head of [Special Service for Social Inclusion and Social Economy](#), Ministry of Labor, Social Security and Welfare
- **Nikos CHRYSOGELOS**, Member of the European Parliament for Ecologist Greens (Greece) - GREENS/EFA

Coordination: **Valia BAZOU**, Journalist

20:00 - 20.30 Questions-Answers

20.30 – 21.30 Screening of the documentary “Social Economy – An alternative solution” by **Sofia PAPACHRISTOU** (cooperation between MEP Nikos Chrysogelos and Heinrich Böll Stiftung)

Saturday 23 November 2013: European Conference, Concert

09:30 – 09:45 Registration

09.45 – 10.00 Presentation of portal enallaktikos.gr

10:00 - 11:15 Panel **“Social Economy, Social / cooperative enterprises and academic research”**

- **Claudia SANCHEZ BAJO**, Chair in Co-operative Enterprises at University of Winnipeg
- **Nikos KALOGERAS**, Assistant Professor/Co-director of the Marketing-Finance Research Lab, University of Maastricht
- **Theodoros BENOS**, Phd candidate, University of Maastricht
- **Yiorgos TSOMPANOGLOU**, Associate Professor, University of the Aegean, Dept. of Sociology, Mytilini, Greece
- **Takis NIKOLOPOULOS**, Professor at Technological Educational Institute of Messolonghi
- **Yiorgos OIKONOMOU**, PHD Philosophy

Coordination: **Sofia ADAM**, Phd Economist/Researcher in Social Economy

Thematic Session I (11:15 – 14:00)

11:15 - 12:45 Panel: **“Agricultural production and creation of productive cooperatives, women's cooperatives and producers-consumers networks”**

- **Jose BOVE**, French Green MEP, vice-president of the Committee of Agriculture and Rural Development
- **KRISTIEN DE BOODT**, Farmer in Social Supported Agriculture
- **Andrea CALORI**, Urgenci International Network, Union for Economy and Sustainability
- **Anna DARZENTA**, Women’s cooperative “Kastri”
- **Odysseas CHILITIDIS**, Social cooperative of consumers BiosCoop
- **Dimitris KOUTSOLIOUTSOS**, producers-consumers network “Gine Agrotis”

Coordination: **Christina EFTHIMIATOU**, Chemical Engineer, experience in regional development issues, **Magy DOUSI**, Topographer, master in integrated development of Rural Areas

12:45 - 14:00 Panel: **“Renewable Energy Sources, social participation and creation of energy cooperatives”**

- **Bernard DELVILLE**, President of federation of groups and cooperatives of citizens for renewable energy REScoop.BE, Belgium
- **Andreas WIEG**, Board member of the German Confederation of Cooperative Enterprises (DGRV)
- **Dirk KNAPEN**, Energy Cooperative Ecopower, Belgium
- **Vassilis BELLIS**, Secretary General of Energy Cooperative at Karditsa
- **Apostolos DIMOPOULOS**, “Energy and Developmental Cooperative” of Sifnos

Coordination: **Alexandros FILIPPIDIS**, Energy Consultant

14:00-15:00 Light Lunch

Thematic Session II (15:00-19:15)

15:00-16:30 Panel **“Creation of social cooperatives in the area of social policy”**

- **Helmut HILDEBRANDT**, CEO OptiMedis AG & Gesundes Kinzigtal GmbH, Co-Chair of Health Policy Commission Heinrich Boell Stiftung, Berlin
- **Costas GEROLYMATOS**, Parents’ Cooperative at Halandri
- **Eftychios ESMAOUI**, Social Tutorial at Volos
- Member of Social Cooperative **ASKLIPIADES**, Rodos
- **Irini PAPADIMITRIOU**, Network ASPIS Kos & The three Elements of Nature
- **Stelios KYMPOUROPOULOS**, doctor

Coordination: **Andreas ROUMELIOTIS**, Journalist/**Mihalis TREMOPOULOS**, former MEP

16:30-17:45 Panel ***“Social inclusion through environmental, productive actions”***

- **Clemens HUITINK**, Policy employee Dutch Association for Mental Health and Addiction Care (GGZ Nederland) , board member of the Global Initiative on Psychiatry
- **Christophe EBLAGON**, Technical professional and social manager, La Ferme du Major, COCAGNE network
- **Antigoni DALAMAGKA**, President of Re-use and Recycling European Union Social Enterprises (Rre-use)
- **Olga THEODORIKAKOU**, Social Cooperative Climax Plus
- **Nikolas STEFANOU**, Representative of the initiative for the creation of a Rural Farm, Paros

Coordination: **Marios STAVROGIANNOPOULOS**, MA Psychologist, Member of the Forum for the Psychiatric Reform

17:45-19.15 Panel ***“Creation of social cooperatives in the area of tourism and culture”***

- **Renate GOERGEN**, LE MAT - social brand in tourism
- **Luca VALMASSOI**, social cooperative CADORE
- **Christina EFTHIMIATOU**, social cooperative “Mitos tis Ariadnis”
- **Stella TSATSARONI**, social cooperative EFRAINEIN, Kos
- **Nikolaos VAMVAKIDIS**, social cooperative, Ippokratik Garden, Kos

Coordination: **Roula KASTRINAKI**, Sociologist with experience in Eco-tourism

19.15 – 19.30 Coffee Break

Thematic Session III (19:30-22:00)

19:30-20:30 Panel ***“Cooperatives of workers - citizens for public goods”***

- **Simel ESIM**, Chief, Cooperatives Branch at [International Labour Organization \(ILO\)](#)
- **Bruno ROELANTS**, Secretary General of the European Confederation of Workers' Co-operatives, Social Co-operatives and Social and Participative Enterprises (CECOP–CICOPA EUROPE)
- Representative of worker’s cooperative **“Viomixaniki Metalleutiki”** VIO.ME
- **Alexandros MANOLAKIS**, Board Member, worker’s council of Federation of bank employees
- **Konstantinos MARIOGLOU**, Citizen’s movement against water privatisation **“Kinisi 136”**
- **Dimitris POLITOPOULOS**, social cooperative KELIA-KALONNIS, Tinos

Coordination: **Olga DROSSOU**, Head of [Heinrich Böll Stiftung](#) Greece, **Kostas LOYKERIS**, President of the Board, Green Institute

20:30-22:00 Panel ***“Financial sector and establishment of cooperative banks”***

- **Alessandro CELONI**, Head of North-East Area of Banca Etica, Italy
- **Nikolaos MIRTAKIS**, President of Union Of Greek Cooperative Banks
- **Yiannis APOSTOLIDIS**, President of Cooperative bank of Western Macedonia
- **Yiorgos BOUKIS**, President of Karditsa Cooperative bank

Coordination: **Nikos CHRYSOGELOS**, MEP of the Greens – EFA in the European Parliament

22:00 Concert

Sunday 24 November 2013

Seminar for individuals interested in or participating in social cooperative enterprises

10:00-11:00 *“From theory to practice or how to establish a cooperative enterprise”.*

Guide presentation by the Heinrich Böll Foundation

Coordination: **Sofia ADAM**, Phd Economist/Researcher in Social Economy

11:00-12:00 *“Legal identity, comparative presentation of different legal forms”.*

Coordination: **Sofia ADAM**, Phd Economist/Researcher in Social Economy

12.00 – 12.15 Coffee Break

12:15 - 13.30 *“Funding, start of a social – cooperative enterprise, experiences & good practices”*

Coordination: **Nikos CHRYSOGELOS**, MEP, **Philipos KIRKITSOS** president of the Ecological Recycling Society, **Yiorgos ALEXOPOULOS**, Phd Agricultural University of Athens

13.30 – 15.00 *Networking of cooperatives, social enterprises, organization of counseling structures and support from below, European experiences including unsuccessful experiences.*

Coordination: **Aspa PAPAFILIPPOU**, Representative of Cooperation Initiative for Social and Solidarity Economy (PROSKALO)

Intervention: **Kalliopi TSAGKARI**, Alternet_Greece

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