

Social and Solidarity Economy: Potential and Limits

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As interest in alternative production, finance and consumption grows in the face of global crises, this conference will explore the potential and limits of Social and Solidarity Economy (SSE)— organizations such as cooperatives, women’s self-help groups, social enterprise and associations of informal workers that have explicit social and economic objectives, and involve various forms of cooperation and solidarity.

- ▷ Can SSE make a real difference to food security, rural development, gender equality and decent work?
- ▷ What is the role of governments, civil society and the private sector?
- ▷ Can SSE expand while remaining integrative and rights-based?

Conference sessions

- ▶ Conceptualizing SSE
- ▶ SSE, Public Policy and Law
- ▶ Political Economy of SSE and Collective Action
- ▶ SSE, Welfare Regimes and Social Service Provisioning
- ▶ SSE and Local Development
- ▶ SSE and Gender Dynamics
- ▶ Scaling up SSE through the Market
- ▶ SSE, Resilience and Sustainability
- ▶ Priorities for Research, Policy and Action



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