

# PARTICIPATORY LOCAL DEVELOPMENT AND SOCIAL SOLIDARITY ECONOMY IN EUROPEAN EXPERIENCES AND POLICIES



**9 open online meetings in 3 training cycles** between November 2024 and March 2025 dedicated to the topic of participatory local development from the perspective of social solidarity economy and within the framework of national and European policies supporting it.

A rich programme that will deal with different topics at European level:

- How to build **community**? How to build local and economic development from the community?
- Artistic & cultural alternative places in urban contexts: tools of local democracy in the **ecological transition**?
- Urban-rural relationship: how to build resilient communities through **short supply chains** in the global food system?

Some **case studies** will be analysed and concrete examples from Italy, France and Romania (but not only!) will be used to understand some key theoretical concepts proposed by experts and researchers invited to speak.

The **policies** that at European level but also in the different national contexts are supporting these processes will be highlighted.

The involvement of the participants in a **peer to peer logic** will be encouraged by activating links at transnational level between small organisations sharing the same challenges on territories in different parts of Europe.

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TUESDAYS



**Looking Up. A training path from experiences of local development towards  
European Social Solidarity Economy strategies**

is a project under the Erasmus+ programme (Small Scale KA2)



See you on Zoom platform  
5.30 - 7 pm (CET time)



01

Networking and development of solidarity and community economies placed based in urban and rural areas.

**NOVEMBER 12th, 2024** - Social permaculture approach for a systemic community's development

**NOVEMBER 26th, 2024**- Developing communities

**DECEMBER 3rd, 2024**- Economies responding to community needs

Local participatory development and ecological transition in artistic & cultural alternative places

02

**JANUARY 28th, 2025** - What are artistic & cultural alternative places?

**FEBRUARY 4th, 2025** - How artistic & cultural alternative places take part in sustainable development?

**FEBRUARY 11th, 2025** - How artistic & cultural projects contribute to local democracy?

03

Urban-rural relations through food and its supply chains

**MARCH 11th, 2025**- The global food system and its impact

**MARCH 18th, 2025**- Building resilient communities: the role of the short supply chains

**MARCH 25th, 2025**- Building strong local food systems: resources for short supply chains

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Session  
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2024 NOVEMBER 12th

**Social permaculture approach for a systemic community's  
development**

- Introduction to Looking UP Tuesdays
- Participative local development and social solidarity economy – with Solidarius Italy
- Social permaculture approach: principles and methodologies to design and facilitate communities processes - with L. Ci from Italian Academy of Permaculture
- Conclusion

Session  
2

2024 NOVEMBER 26th

**Developing communities**

- What community is from SSE perspective (and what is not)? – with Solidarius Italy
- Analyzing a case study: Giardino dell'Ardiglione in Florence (IT) – How to build community around a common?
- Liminal communities – Prof. A. Volterrani from Torvergata University in Rome
- Policies rubric

Session  
3

2024 DECEMBER 3rd

**Economies responding to community needs**

- Job and capabilities in Social Solidarity Economy– with Solidarius Italy
- Analyzing a case study: Lofio in Florence (IT) – how to respond to community's needs by creating work and community ties?
- The experience of communities' cooperatives  
The italian experience - with Paolo Scaramuccia (Lega Coop Italy)  
*The french experience - with*
- Policies rubric

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