



Local Policy Workshop regarding Social and Solidarity Economy in Croatia

On January 24, 2024, an online workshop was organized by the National Foundation for Civil Society Development in collaboration with Split-Dalmatia County. This session was part of the activities under the 3P4SSE project, which aims to develop a practical and sustainable model of social and solidarity economy based on public-private partnerships. The workshop brought together key stakeholders from Split-Dalmatia County to collaborate on this vital initiative.





Participants included:

- Dugopolje Municipality Development Agency “ODRAZ”
- Local Action Group Škoji
- Association of Croatian Veterans Treated for PTSD of Split-Dalmatia County
- Veterans' Social-Work Cooperative Dalmatia Ruralis
- Kaštela Olive Growers Association “Mastrinka”
- Rural Development Center CERURA HR
- Chefs of Mediterranean and European Regions (ŠKMER)
- Leader Network Croatia
- Association MoSt
- Association Healthy City
- Association Domine
- Sustainable Ltd. for construction, architectural design, and spatial planning

Through structured discussions and insights gathered from targeted surveys, the stakeholders defined priority activities and established a strategic vision. This collaborative effort resulted in the drafting of a Local Action Plan for Split-Dalmatia County. The plan aims to implement a pilot model of the social and solidarity economy, fostering a robust public-private partnership framework that could serve as a blueprint for similar initiatives regionally.

Virtual Study Visit on Social and Solidarity Economy in Croatia

On January 21st, The National Foundation for Civil Society Development hosted the first Virtual Study Visit (VSV) as part of the 3P4SSE project.

Mr. Dražen Šimleša from the Green Network of Activist Groups led the session, joined by prominent stakeholders from Croatia, including the Rural Development Center CERURA HR, Association Slap, and representatives from Split-Dalmatia County. The discussion revolved around the progress made in establishing these networks and the collaborative efforts toward a unified strategy and action plan.

This first VSV highlighted the Croatian experiences and the strategic approaches taken to promote sustainable regional development across Central Europe. The goal is to develop innovative solutions that enhance the Social and Solidarity Economy, ensuring a holistic and inclusive growth trajectory for the region.