

## Driving Social Innovation: A Glimpse into the 3P4SSE Peer Review in Split-Dalmatia



**A Journey of Collaboration and Innovation** - February 20th, 2025, marked an exciting chapter in the 3P4SSE project as the Peer Review visit unfolded in the vibrant Split-Dalmatia County. Hosted by the National Foundation for Civil Society Development (Nacionalna zaklada za razvoj civilnoga društva) and Split-Dalmatia County (Splitsko-dalmatinska županija), the event brought together a diverse group of project partners and local stakeholders to explore cutting-edge solutions and foster public-private partnerships aimed at strengthening the Social and Solidarity Economy (SSE).

### **Key Moments from Split-Dalmatia County Headquarters:**

- The Croatian Local Action Plan (LAP) took center stage, with the National Foundation and Split-Dalmatia County outlining their strategic efforts to empower local communities and boost the SSE.
- Local stakeholders shared inspiring insights, including:
  - **Održivo d.o.o.** on redefining sustainability through regenerative agriculture and green architecture
  - **LAG Adrion** on its transformative employment initiatives for people over 50 in rural areas
  - **ŠKMER** on culinary education programs that bridge professional development and community engagement

- **Cerura** on pioneering the Virtual Center for Social Entrepreneurship, creating new pathways for digital collaboration

#### **Innovative Models at the DES Institution:**

- Participants had the opportunity to dive deeper into existing SSE initiatives and engage in fruitful discussions on the establishment of an SSE Support Center, which promises to further enhance collaboration and support for social enterprises.
- Rich exchanges focused on how public-private partnerships can strengthen the connections between social enterprises, local authorities, and businesses, laying the foundation for sustainable and inclusive growth.

#### **Key Insight:**

The Peer Review reinforced the importance of building robust support networks and fostering collaboration as essential elements for scaling SSE initiatives and ensuring long-term impact. Together, we are advancing social innovation and paving the way for inclusive, sustainable growth across the region!