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Social economy in West Pomeranian Region



Social economy in the EU and Poland

- In **Western European countries** the social economy is associated with the sustainable economy and green economy;
- In **Poland**, the social economy is mainly identified with social inclusion and reintegration.

Social economy in the West Pomeranian development plans

- The regional development strategy of West Pomerania
***Priority 1.2** Social inclusion and providing development opportunities for all inhabitants of the region*
- Human capital and social cohesion policy of the West Pomeranian Region
***Priority 3.1** Strengthening the local community potential*
- The West Pomeranian Social Economy Development Program

The role of regional government in the social economy

The regional government through the Regional Center for Social Policy (ROPS):

- coordinates the development of the social economy in the region;
- Supports the functioning of the West Pomeranian Social Economy Development Committee (ZKRES);
- monitors the social economy sector in the region;
- initiates and participates in generating any policy papers regarding the social economy sector;
- lobbies for the social economy integration in local development policies,
- aims at promoting social economy entities and strengthening their potential through information campaigns, social economy expos, conferences or organizing the Marshal's competition for the Social Economy Leader.

Social economy support system



ROPS cooperates with 4 Social Economy Support Centers, which already support the social economy entities directly.

Social Economy Entities

Type of entity	Number of entities
Social cooperatives (Spółdzielnie Socjalne)	80
Social enterprises (Przedsiębiorstwa społeczne)	35
Vocational Activity Establishments (Zakłady Aktywności Zawodowej)	9
Social Integration Centres (Centra Integracji Społecznej)	8
Occupational Therapy Workshops (Warsztaty Terapii Zajęciowej)	28

Social Economy Entities and the economic areas of their activity in West Pomeranian region

SERVICES:

- care services
- catering services
- construction services
- printing services
- sewing services
- cleaning services
- accommodation services

PRODUCTION:

- agriculture production
- clothing and textile production
- healthy food production

Social economy sector during the COVID-19 pandemic

We are planning a regranting project addressed to communes and poviats that includes the possibility of purchase of services and products from Social Economy Entities (PES) in connection with the fight against and with the effects of COVID-19 - approximately PLN 120,000 per commune for spending in the Social Economy Entities.



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