

Orientation for the debates on the Global Vision of SSE for Manila 2013

One of the main objectives of the 5th Meeting on Social Solidarity Economy in Manila 2013 is to build global consensus and highlight the dissents and issues on different global or specific aspects related to the practical, conceptual and political identity of Social Solidarity Economy.

For doing this, RIPESS invites the local, regional, national and continental initiatives and networks in all continents to participate in this global consultation. The Ripess Board representatives from each continent will be responsible for organizing and systematizing the consultation process in their continent.

The contributions will be received until August 16 of 2013. They must be sent to the following e mail address: jordi@bsxes.org et lavilluniere@inees.org

Your networks or organizations might answer all or only part of the questions below. For background and inputs to the discussion, please refer to the Working Paper (Document 2) and the RIPESS Charter of Principles (Document 3).

The aforementioned document will also provide the textual basis for the workshop “Scope of SSE identity” and the conclusions will be presented in the General Assembly on this particular item in connection with RIPESS. 1.

1. About the Organizations or Networks

- a. Which are the Organizations or Networks sending these contributions? What actors and regions are they representing?
- b. When and where was this theme discussed by your organizations or networks?

2. The basics

- 2.1. How is SSE defined? Obs: this definition must be based on the relationship between practices and theory.
- 2.2. What are the criteria and indicators for defining an initiative as being a SSE initiative? Obs: What different organizational/institutional forms/expressions are SSE and which are not SSE?

3. Specificities

- 3.1. How does SSE conceive development and (de)growth?
- 3.2. What is the relationship of SSE with social movements?
- 3.3. What is the relationship of SSE with capitalism and capitalist market?
- 3.4. How does SSE address Sustainability and Ecology?

3.5. What is the relationship of SSE with other "adjective" economies? For example: Green Economy; Social Enterprise; Creative Economy; Popular Economy; Territory (or Local) Economy; Community Economy