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# [ *Spanish Social Economy Policies* ]

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## Spanish Legal Framework :

- **Spanish Constitution 1978:** recognition of the Social Economy (specifically in article 129);
- **Law 5/2011, March 29, of Social Economy:** legal framework that implies the recognition and better visibility of the social economy;
- **Spanish Strategy for the Promotion of Social Economy. 2017-2020.**
- **Regions:** They have their own legal framework for most of the entities of the social economy.





# [Social Economy Law 5/2011]

## Social Economy Principles:

- **Primacy of people** and social purposes over capital;
- **Sharing** of economic activity results;
- **Promotion of solidarity**;
- **Independence** from public institutions.





# [Social Economy entities in Spain]

## Structure of social economy in Spain :

- Cooperatives;
- Labor Societies;
- Mutualities;
- Associations and Foundations;
- Social Integration Enterprises;
- Special Employment Centers;
- Agricultural Transformation Societies;
- Fishermen's Associations.

Any other entity that complies with the principles of Social Economy.





# [Council for promotion of social economy]

**Advisory body for Social Economy policies, representing:**

**56 members, coming from:**

- **Public Administration;**
- **Social Economy Entities;**
- **People of recognized standing in Social Economy;**
- **Trade Unions.**





# [Social Economy Ecosystem]

## Social Economy in figures:

- **10% of Spanish GDP;**
- **42,140 Social Economy entities;**
- **2,177,256 direct and indirect Jobs;**
- **There are 27,972 Cooperatives and Labor Societies registered in the social security system, which directly employ 384,493 people (march 2019)**





## [ Subsidies for the promotion of employment and the improvement of competitiveness ]

### Types of eligible actions:

- **Incorporation of working partners** to cooperatives and labor societies;
- Making **investments** that contribute to the creation, consolidation or improvement of the competitiveness of cooperatives and **labor** societies;
- Provision of **technical assistance**;
- Carrying out **training, dissemination** and **promotion of the social economy activities** directly linked to the increase of employability and employment.





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# [Spanish Strategy for the Promotion of Social Economy. 2017-2020]







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## MAIN FEATURES:

- **General goal:** to contribute to the development of the Social Economy in Spain;
- **6 specific objectives, 9 priority axes, 63 concrete measures;**
- **Timeframe: 2017-2020;**
- **Monitoring and evaluation:** coordinated by the Directorate General for Self-Employment, Social Economy and CSR;
- **Collaboration with social economy representatives.**





# [ Spanish Strategy for the Promotion of Social Economy: Objectives ]

**General goal:** To contribute to the development of the **social economy in Spain**. To this end, 6 specific objectives are set:

- Promote the **creation of inclusive, quality and stable employment**, as well as promote collective entrepreneurship;
- Facilitate the **creation and consolidation of enterprises of the Social economy**;
- To provide the sector with an **active role in the design and implementation of vocational training**;
- Promote the **integration of ICT** in social economy entities and facilitate their adaptation to the digital age;
- Promote the **visibility** of social economy entities through greater institutional participation and support for their internationalization.
- To promote in a transversal way the **values** of the Social economy: Social inclusion, solidarity, equal opportunities, social and territorial cohesion, respect for the environment



# [ Spanish Strategy for the Promotion of Social Economy: Some measures I ]

Some of the most important measures are:

- Incentives for the incorporation of partners and the hiring of workers;
- Promotion of sheltered employment;
- Public procurement: promotion of social clauses and participation reserves;
- Training of social economy partners and workers and support for representative bodies in their participation in vocational training;
- Support to the Social Economy with ESF Funding: ESF Operational Program for Social Inclusion and Social Economy 2014-2020.





# [Spanish Strategy for the Promotion of Social Economy: Some measures II]

## Some of the most important measures are:

- **Support to the internationalization** of the entities of the social economy, by means of integral advice;
- **Promotion of innovation** and the use of ICT;
- **Implementation of the measures of the Spanish CSR Strategy 2017-2020** among the entities of the social economy;
- **Participation of the Social economy in the design and implementation of national strategies for the development of Agenda 2030 and SDG.**





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***Thank you very much!***

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