

Cooperativa António Sérgio para a Economia Social



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# Democrate

# Essaiyst

# Politician





## Reformer

# Pedagogue

# Historian

Introduced the cooperative ideas in Portugal







A Public Interest Cooperative that gathers the State and six representative organizations of the social economy sector

**ANIMAR - Portuguese Association for Local Development** 

**CONFECOOP - Portuguese Cooperative Confederation** 

CONFAGRI - National Confederation of Agricultural Cooperatives and Agricultural Credit of Portugal

**CNIS - National Confederation of Solidarity Institutions** 

**UMP - Union of Portuguese Misericórdias (Mercies)** 

**UMP - Union of Portuguese Mutual Associations** 



# Misson

To promote the strengthening of the social economy sector, deepening the cooperation between the State and the member organizations, in order to stimulate their potential to serve the socio-economic development of the country, as well as the pursuit of policies in the volunteering area.

	Values
Cooperation and inter-cooperation	Social and Environmental Responsibility

Solidarity, democracy and transparency.



# **Strategic Objectives**

**Placing social economy in the national political agenda**, by promoting legal and institutional recognition of the sector

**Strengthen the alliance between the sector of social economy and the state**, through the revitalization of models of interaction between the state, civil society and the market;

**Developing a set of programs** designed to promote the creation of opportunities for the modernization of the social economy sector;

**Promote and support volunteering, social entrepreneurship** and stimulate the entrepreneurial capacity of the citizens and organizations, **aiming at sustainable development**.



# WHAT IS SOCIAL ECONOMY

It is the group of socio-economic activities that pursuits the general interest of the Society. Portuguese Basic Law for Social Economy/2013

# SOCIAL ECONOMY ENTITIES



**IPSS - Particular Institutions of Social Solidarity** 

Associations with altruistic purposes that operate in the cultural, recreational, sportive and local development domains







Allocation of surplus to achieve the purpose of SEE according to general interest



# SOCIAL ECONOMY IN THE EUROPEAN UNION

Social Economy offers paid jobs to about **14.5 million** people, approximately **6.5%** of the working population of UE-27.

The sector is characterized by the heterogeneity and diversity of actors, integrating about **2 million** SME in almost all sectors of the economy.



















Por um futuro mais solidário

# PROGRAMS











# COOPJOVEM

#### What is it?

□ Cooperative entrepreneurship support program.

#### **Objectives?**

- Support young entrepreneurs in the creation of cooperatives;
- Develop a solidarity and cooperation culture;
- □ Promote the creation of self-employment.





# SOU MAIS

#### What is it?

Microcredit national program



#### **Objectives**?

Designed to foster job creation and entrepreneurship among populations with greater difficulties in accessing the labor market.

#### Who are the beneficiaries?

- Unemployed population;
- Micro-entities;
- □ Cooperatives up to 10 workers.

#### What support?

□ Investment and Financing Maximum Value – 20.000,00 Euros



# **SOCIAL INVESTE**

#### What is it?

Subsidized and guaranteed credit line

#### **Objectives?**

To promote the development of the social economy sector

#### Who are the beneficiaries?

Social economy organizations

#### What support?

- □ Investment in strengthening activity in existing areas or new areas of intervention
- Modernization of services for communities
- Management modernization and strengthening of treasury





# Prémio Cooperação e Solidariedade António Sérgio



#### □Prize that has 4 categories:

- 1. Innovation and Sustainability
- 2. Studies and Investigation
- 3. Post-Graduated Education
- 4. School Projects
- 5. Journalism

□3.000€ for each category;

□Social Economy Honor Award







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