



Dear DeFin Community,

The first version of our toolbox for the promotion of social entrepreneurship (SE) in rural regions is now available online. Take the opportunity to get inspired by other European countries and their experiences in promoting social entrepreneurship. You can read about what you can expect to be in the toolbox in this newsletter - or click through at www.support4SE.eu. We welcome feedback, suggestions and of course even more tools, which we are happy to include.

Toolbox for the promotion & support of social entrepreneurship

The DeFin toolbox aims to provide public institutions and financing institutions with practical information on how to support SE. It is an online compendium of financing and funding instruments targeting social enterprises and business support structures while respecting the special needs of social entrepreneurs. It especially supports local and regional public authorities, business support organizations, development agencies and financial institutions in

- developing and providing adequate economic and financial support possibilities,
- promoting cooperation/networking,
- improving business skills of Social Entrepreneurs,
- and meeting the needs of evaluation and monitoring.

So far, the toolbox comprises three main topics: 1. business support structures/services, 2. financing schemes, 3. evaluation tools.

The tools are described in detail with regard to the phase in which social enterprises are supported (from non-enterprise entities to SE in a growth stage), to expected outcomes, steps for implementation, financial and human resources needed for the implementation as well as key success factors. Particular emphasis was placed on aspects such as usability, adaptability, and transferability to social enterprises and to rural areas.

Overall, the toolbox aims to strengthen the awareness of the important role of social entrepreneurship in rural regions with special transformation challenges and to advance economic and social innovation. *(W.P.)*





Upcoming events and activities

- **Event:** different online events (May 25 to July 21, German), **Type:** online webinar, consultation and/or event; **Sponsor/organizer:** Social Impact Lab; Theme: various, from COVID-19 and its aftermath to creative and/or thematic workshops; **Link:** <https://bit.ly/2WJfCfL>
- **Event:** Social Impact Evening (every Thursday between May 21 and July 16, from 7-8 PM, Berlin); **Type:** online meeting; **Sponsor/organizer:** Social Entrepreneurship BW and the City of Mannheim; Theme: peer-to-peer online meeting for professionals in tech, marketing, HR, NGO and in Innovations for Social Good to leverage competences at ease; **Link:** <https://bit.ly/2ZjTpXI>
- **Event:** Social Finance, **Type:** online webinar in PDF format; **Sponsor/organizer:** Siemens foundation and FASE; **Theme:** guidance on social finance for social entrepreneurship all over the world; **Link:** <https://fa-se.de/events-webinare/>
- **Event:** Crowdfunding academy; **Sponsor/organizer:** Brodoto creative agency, Belgrade, Serbia; **Type:** online workshop; **Theme:** Brodoto is organizing mid-June a three-days of online workshop - Crowdfunding academy; **Link:** <https://bit.ly/2XcWnMa>

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