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International Network of Innovative Social Entrepreneurship (INISE aisbl)

Supporting and empowering marginalised communities in Africa through Social Market Economy in collaborative partnership of Europe and Africa

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Experiences in Africa

- Common images and concepts



Experiences in Europe



Disadvantaged in Europe



- EU sensitive to plight of disadvantaged.
- National Governments with support of ESF runs special support programs.
- Equal for Europe 2002- 2008 among such programs.
- Social Market Economy (Social Enterprise) recognised as tool economic and social revitalisation.

Barka in Poland and Europe

- Barka established in 1989 on the principle that the marginalised, excluded and disadvantaged can be pillars of social changes.
- Barka transformed people and infrastructure into productive centres of excellence.
- Barka instrumental in shaping national social economy legislation of Poland.
- Barka Network currently in UK, Ireland, France, Holland, Germany and Canada.

Resources for migrants

- National Governments and EU finances special programs for migrants and minorities.
- Scope wide ranging from social integration, skills uplift, vocational training, formal education and business start-ups.
- All categories of African migrants take advantage of the opportunities.
- Transnational study exchanges part of the mix.

Africa meets Poland

- UK North West African groups visit Barka in Poland in transnational study visit.
- Poland like Africa suffered identify suppression, deprivation, degradation and economic stagnation through occupation.
- Poland undergoing phase development with social market economy (solidarity) among its drivers.
- Barka Foundation at the centre stage of the process.

Barka's work relevant to Africa

- Barka's work of rehabilitation of human capital and infrastructure appealed visiting Africans majority of whom were of rural background.
- 75% of Africa's population is rural accounting for 90% of its food supply.
- Delegates realised Barka's model could impact development trajectory of Africa.
- Polish hosts noted the keen interest of African visitors.

Africa's common image

- Africa known for high proportion of human disparities
- Droughts and hunger
- Low yield and harvests
- Illiteracy
- Low human aspirations and motivation
- Poor infrastructure
- Contentment with state of their habitation
- Envy and mistrust of each other leading to conflict
- Awaiting easy options and aid inflow for empowerment

Africa's true self

Continent of natural wealth resources and innovative peoples

- Large arable landmass with adequate water resources for sustainable agriculture.
- Healthy human population adapted by nature for extreme human exploits.
- Possesses entire spectrum of known minerals
- Possesses entire energy mix ingredients; oil, gas, hydro, solar, wind and geothermal.

Root of Africa's deprivation

Africa the cradle of human society like Poland redefining and shaping itself through Solidarity lost its collective memory by

- Systematic harvesting its memory markers
- Induced to believe on relative backwardness
- Diminished human self value
- Obsolete tools (means) of production
- Economic systems within value systems of a past age

REX/302 - Social Economy in Africa

- Tomasz Sadowski founder of Barka burning desire towards Africa.
- EESC REX/302 – Social Economy in Africa July 2011 gave form to the intervention.
- On 8th September 2011 Tomasz invited exchange group jointly use REX/302 as basis of African initiative.
- Idea was conceived.

What is Social Market Economy

There are numerous definitions and we shall capture two

- EESC defines the social economy to comprise of “enterprises and organisations, in particular cooperatives, mutual benefit societies, associations, foundations and social enterprises, which have specific features of producing goods, services and knowledge while pursuing both economic and social aims and fostering solidarity
- African view point “efforts and activities of the individual, group or society that produces or results in beneficial outcome to the individual, group or society leading mutual coexistence”

Mutuality (Solidarity) in Africa

- Africa in its captive and suppressed state retained its spirit societal mutuality.
- Africa values achievement but disparities are widening as Africa emerges into economic giant.
- Rural majority are pose huge burden and threaten Africa's prospects.
- Working with and empowering the marginalised and disadvantaged of Africa a priority.

What is INISE aisbl

International Network for Innovative Social Entrepreneurship (INISE aisbl) is a partnership of legal entities such as civil society organizations, public authorities at all levels, educational and research institutions, foundations, trusts and physical persons focused through social market economy platforms to promote, develop social inclusion and social entrepreneurship for the excluded and marginalized communities in Africa with support of International, Regional and National Governments and other institutions inspired by REX/302 - Social Economy in Africa of EESC.

Founding members

- Associations and legal entities from following countries Poland, UK, Ireland, Holland, France, Uganda, Ethiopia, Kenya, Cameroon and Ghana.
- Interim Board comprises Polish, British, Nigerian and Kenyan nationals.
- INISE aisbl received charter under Belgian Law on 21st May 2013

Evaluation of INISE Concept

- INISE Concept has been field tested in both Kenya and Uganda positive acceptance of communities and officials.
- Academic reviews commend the concept and approach.
- INISE's approach founded in EESC opinion REX/302 highly regarded.
- Europe currently looking at Social Market Economy as resilient tool of economic stimulation

MDG's and INISE

Direct impact:

- (8) Develop a global partnership for development
- (1) Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger
- (3) Promote gender equality and empower women
- (7) Ensure environmental sustainability

MDGs and INISE

Supports

- (2) Achieve universal primary education
- (4) Reduce child mortality
- (5) Improve maternal health.

Direct benefit

- (6) Combat HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases

INISE Vision for Africa

- INISE will focus in creating opportunities for human development through education and entrepreneurship following philosophy of humans at the centre and everything else being tools for their empowerment.
- INISE recognises other organisations and institutions operating in Africa with similar aims and objectives.
- INISE will engage fully with all levels of government and international organisations in service delivery.
- INISE's activities and operations shall not be exclusively confined to Africa.

Thank you!

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