

The 'International Comparative
Social Enterprise Models' Project
2013 - 2017



A pioneering worldwide research project, bringing together
researchers from all over the world

A unique **worldwide research project** aiming to identify, analyze and compare
social enterprise models across countries, regions and fields

Over **200 researchers** working together under the coordination of two leading
scholars in the field of SE, Jacques Defourny (CES, HEC - University of Liege, Belgium)
and Marthe Nyssens (CIRTES, Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium)

Some **50 countries** covered, in all regions of the world

MAJOR STEPS OF THE PROJECT

I. Context, concepts, models

Understanding context and concepts in each country, to identify SE models and to describe their institutional trajectories. Country studies published as ICSEM Working papers.

II. Building up an international database on social enterprise

Collection of data about the SE models identified in the first stage on the basis of a common questionnaire, with a view to strengthening international comparative analysis and to proposing a worldwide typology of SE models.

III. Comparative analysis of SE models within world regions and at the global level

Preparation of publications combining country-level information from previous stages, statistical work on key SE features as well as transversal analysis of some issues such as institutionalization of SE models.

2013-2015 MAJOR EVENTS

General meetings (all researchers)

ICSEM Kick-off Meeting, July 5, 2013, **Liege, Belgium**
General ICSEM Meeting, June 30, 2015, **Helsinki, Finland**

Researchers' regional symposiums

ICSEA - Eastern ICSEM Symposium, July 5-6, 2014, **Won Ju, South Korea**
Western ICSEM Symposium, October 9-10, 2014, **La Roche, Belgium**
Latin American ICSEM Symposium, May 24-25, 2015, **Santiago, Chile**

Talks with local stakeholders

SELF - ICSEM Talk South Korea, July 3, 2014, **Seoul, South Korea**
ICSEM Talk Pomerania, November 6, 2014, **Gdansk, Poland**
SUPSI Study Day on SE, May 19, 2015, **Lugano, Switzerland**
ICSEM Talk Israel, June 9, 2015, **Rishon Le'Zion, Israel**

ICSEM WORKING PAPERS (as of June 2015)

Grant, S. (2015) **“Social Enterprise in New Zealand: An Overview”**, *ICSEM Working Papers*, No. 01, Liege: The International Comparative Social Enterprise Models (ICSEM) Project.

Littlewood, D. and Holt, D. (2015) **“Social Enterprise in South Africa”**, *ICSEM Working Papers*, No. 02, Liege: The International Comparative Social Enterprise Models (ICSEM) Project.

Gonin, M. and Gachet, N. (2015) **“Social Enterprise in Switzerland: An Overview of Existing Streams, Practices and Institutional Structures”**, *ICSEM Working Papers*, No. 03, Liege: The International Comparative Social Enterprise Models (ICSEM) Project.

McMurtry, J. J., Brouard, F., Elson, P., Hall, P., Lionais, D. and Vieta, M. (2015) **“Social Enterprise in Canada: Context, Models and Institutions”**, *ICSEM Working Papers*, No. 04, Liege: The International Comparative Social Enterprise Models (ICSEM) Project.

Lyne, I., Khieng, S. and Ngin, C. (2015) **“Social Enterprise in Cambodia: An Overview”**, *ICSEM Working Papers*, No. 05, Liege: The International Comparative Social Enterprise Models (ICSEM) Project.

Bidet, E. and Eum, H. (2015) **“Social Enterprise in South Korea: General Presentation of the Phenomenon”**, *ICSEM Working Papers*, No. 06, Liege: The International Comparative Social Enterprise Models (ICSEM) Project.

Kurimoto, A. (2015) **“Social Enterprise in Japan: The Field of Health and Social Services”**, *ICSEM Working Papers*, No. 07, Liege: The International Comparative Social Enterprise Models (ICSEM) Project.

Gawell, M. (2015) **“Social Enterprise in Sweden: Intertextual Consensus and Hidden Paradoxes”**, *ICSEM Working Papers*, No. 08, Liege: The International Comparative Social Enterprise Models (ICSEM) Project.

Cooney, K. (2015) **“Social Enterprise in the United States: WISEs and Other Worker-Focused Models”**, *ICSEM Working Papers*, No. 09, Liege: The International Comparative Social Enterprise Models (ICSEM) Project.

Gaiger, L. I., Ferrarini, A. and Veronese, M. (2015) **“Social Enterprise in Brazil: An Overview of Solidarity Economy Enterprises”**, *ICSEM Working Papers*, No. 10, Liege: The International Comparative Social Enterprise Models (ICSEM) Project.

Ciepielewska-Kowalik, A., Pielniński, B., Starnawska, M. and Szymańska, A. (2015) **“Social Enterprise in Poland: Institutional and Historical Context”**, *ICSEM Working Papers*, No. 11, Liege: The International Comparative Social Enterprise Models (ICSEM) Project.

Bibikova, V. (2015) **“Social Enterprise in Ukraine”**, *ICSEM Working Papers*, No. 12, Liege: The International Comparative Social Enterprise Models (ICSEM) Project.

Kuan, Y.-Y. and Wang, S.-T. (2015) **“Social Enterprise in Taiwan”**, *ICSEM Working Papers*, No. 13, Liege: The International Comparative Social Enterprise Models (ICSEM) Project.

Birkhölzer, K., Göler von Ravensburg, N., Glänzel, G., Lautermann, C. and Mildenerger, G. (2015) **“Social Enterprise in Germany: Understanding Concepts and Context”**, *ICSEM Working Papers*, No. 14, Liege: The International Comparative Social Enterprise Models (ICSEM) Project.

Birkhölzer, K. (2015) **“Social Enterprise in Germany: A Typology of Models”**, *ICSEM Working Papers*, No. 15, Liege: The International Comparative Social Enterprise Models (ICSEM) Project.

Thiru, Y. (2015) **“Social Enterprise in the United States: Some Distinguishing Characteristics”**, *ICSEM Working Papers*, No. 16, Liege: The International Comparative Social Enterprise Models (ICSEM) Project (*forthcoming*).

Nakagawa, S. & Laratta, R. (2015) **“Social Enterprise in Japan: Notions, Typologies, and Institutionalization Processes through Work Integration Studies”**, *ICSEM Working Papers*, No. 17, Liege: The International Comparative Social Enterprise Models (ICSEM) Project.

Gordon, M. (2015) **“A Typology of Social Enterprise ‘Traditions’”**, *ICSEM Working Papers*, No. 18, Liege: The International Comparative Social Enterprise Models (ICSEM) Project.

Adam, S., Amstutz, J., Avilés, G., Caimi, M., Crivelli, L., Ferrari, D., Pozzi, D., Schmitz, D., Wüthrich, B. and Zöbeli, D. (2015) **“Social Enterprise in Switzerland: The Field of Work Integration”**, *ICSEM Working Papers*, No. 19, Liege: The International Comparative Social Enterprise Models (ICSEM) Project.

Gidron, B., Abbou, I., Buber-Ben David, N., Navon, A. and Greenberg, Y. (2015) **“Social Enterprise in Israel: The Swinging Pendulum between Collectivism and Individualism”**, *ICSEM Working Papers*, No. 20, Liege: The International Comparative Social Enterprise Models (ICSEM) Project.

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