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Training outline

Housing has become a defining social issue of our times that affects all people and communities. Rising housing prices, stagnating wages, demographic pressures and declining public investment in housing in many countries are increasingly challenging housing affordability.

Social housing is an important dimension of social welfare policy and affordable housing provision, representing more than 28 million dwellings and about 6% of the total housing stock in OECD and non-OECD EU countries.

However, there are significant differences across countries in the definition, size, scope, target population and type of provider of social housing. For instance, social rental housing makes up less than 10% of the total dwelling stock in most OECD and EU countries, but more than 20% of the total stock in Austria, Denmark and the Netherlands, where it represents a key "third sector" in the housing market.

The objective of this training is to provide insights into different case studies across Europe. Speakers will illustrate the specific context of their activities as well as objectives, implementation or financing strategies. These case studies are meant to serve as a starting point for discussion and exchange of best practices amongst participants.

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Agenda

Monday, 27 November 2023
from 13:00 to 16:30 (time in CET)**, online**
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13:00 - 13:15	Welcome, Introduction to the workshop
13:15 - 14:00	Mikrofonden Case Study A generalist's perspective on social housing from Sweden
14:00 - 14:45	Solifap Case Study Financing housing for the most vulnerable in France
14:45 - 15:00	*Break*
15:00 - 15:45	Sostre Civic Case Study Financing and building housing in Spain
15:45 - 16:30	Wrap-Up, Outlook and Feedback

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Meet the Speakers

Barbara Scheck
European Center for Social Finance

Barbara Scheck works at the European Center for Social Finance, which delivers Technical Assistance services on behalf of FEBEA. She is the Professor for Entrepreneurship at Munich Business School and has been active in the field of social finance since 2007. Her work focuses on the financing of social enterprises, impact and mission-related investing and impact assessment.

Clémentine Blazy
European Center for Social Finance

Clémentine Blazy works at the European Center for Social Finance. With a background in consulting & over 15 years in social finance (mostly at France Active where she led the investment activity for the national entity), she has experience as board member of social enterprises and investor within different investment committees. She has a stronger interest in the growing involvement of philanthropy in social finance.

Meet the Speakers

Ander Zabala Gómez
Sostre Civic

Ander Zabala Gómez graduated from Global Studies Bachelor in the Pompeu Fabra University in Barcelona, focusing the final thesis on the Danish Housing Associations. After being involved in Fiare Banca Ética, a cooperative ethical bank member of FEBEA, he is now working as part of the technical team of Sostre Cívic housing cooperative as an accountant and in the financial department. He also participates in the movement for the right to housing in his neighbourhood housing union.

Ylva Lundkvist Fridh
Mikrofonden

She works in a rural area in northern Sweden. She has a Masters in Economic and environmental history at Uppsala University. She has more than 15 years of work experience as a organisation developer in the social economy sector. For the last three years she has been the CEO of Sweden's only social and micro finance institution – Mikrofonden Sverige. The Micro-fund Sweden has invested 1.7 million Euros in approximately 125 social enterprises in Sweden and aims at closing the financial market gap for social enterprises.

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Charles Le Gac de Lansalut
Solifap

He joined Solifap in September 2018 to implement the company's change of scale. With a legal background, he has held various positions as a leader of associations in the field of education, international solidarity or the fight against exclusion. As director of the Paris branch of Secours Catholique, he helped set up the association's social real estate agency. He has acquired solid experience in project management, impact project analysis and partnership network development in France and abroad.

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Its objective is to support the exchange of experiences and promote cooperation between social economy and social finance practitioners.

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