

# Editorial: Social Entrepreneurship in Developing Countries

Since 2007, Malopolska School of Public Economy at Krakow University of Economics, has been publishing bi-annually a journal titled “*Ekonomia Społeczna/Social Economy*”. This edition was aimed at Polish reader and explained in what social economy is. J. Hausner (2007) presented the role of social economy in the economic system and provided its main function as preventing social exclusion. He located social enterprise located between the private sector, representing market economy, and third sector, representing the civil society (Hausner, 2008). These works described new research area, at least for Polish readership.

In 2020 the editorial team decided to change the scope and formula for the journal. The main one was inclusion the papers written in English and title changed what resulted in change in ISSN number. The proposed journal development strategy assumed internationalisation of the authorship, editorials, and readership. The reasons for these changes were twofold. First, we observed that social economy and social entrepreneurship took different development path compared to Western countries (Pacut, 2018). Confronting Polish experiences with those from other countries offers an opportunity to enrich knowledge about social economy patterns shaped by a social policy. The second reason was raise of interest in broadly defined social entrepreneurship what resulted in increase research about it. We observed similar situations in Central and Eastern Europe and developing countries. The new dimension of study starting to appear: the international perspective on economic solidarity (Amin, 2009). This movement was strengthened in the EU (Laville, 2011).

The re-branded “*Social Entrepreneurship Review*” continues the tradition of previous title, brings international dimension and offers its volume for demonstrating recent developments from other countries. Therefore we do not limit the publication form to full research paper but also accept discussion (commentary) papers, reviews, conference letters, and project news which enrich our understanding of social economy and social entrepreneurship. We take a multidimensional approach to social entrepreneurship and analyses this issue in relation to the characteristics, management and performance of social entrepreneurs, social ventures, entrepreneurial process and social impact. At the same time, significant research attention is paid to the public, cultural, social and national contexts in which studies are conducted. It enlarges the journal’s scope to such areas as: education, sustainability, social impact, public policies, etc.

In this volume we cover the topics of entrepreneurial self-efficacy and risk-taking tendencies, acts of planning supporting social economy, banks pro-social attitudes, socio-professional reintegration services, social ethics, and personal finance during the COVID-19 pandemic. The

last topic links to the last volume (Ćwiklicki & Sienkiewicz-Małyjurek, 2020). The list presents the variety of perspectives and areas associated with the social entrepreneurship which we hope to cover in future volumes.

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