Editorial

In this volume, we present articles showing recent developments of long-term care challenges in Europe, policy and regulatory context for social enterprises in Baltic Countries, and discussion about social return on investment. The numbers presented by Beata Drzazga in the paper titled “Identification of Long-term Care Challenges in Europe” demonstrate the urgency of planning and provision of services for the aging society in Europe.

Audrone Urmanaviciene and Merle Praakli present the social enterprise situation in Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania. They explore differences in supporting social entrepreneurship offered in these Baltic states. This paper completes the picture covered by Defourny and Nyssens (2021). Jakub Głowacki discusses the Social Return on Investment based on Moroń and Klimowicz’s (2021) work. Previous studies like Lingane and Olsen (2004) or Millar and Hall (2013) provided guidelines that can be tested in new conditions beyond economic efficiency measurement.

The book review section covers the commentary of Dominika Cendrowicz about Poor, disabled and homeless people in the social welfare system written by Magdalena Małecka-Łyszczek and Radosław Mędrzycki. This book, published in Polish, describes the social exclusion of the poor, the disabled and the homeless from the perspective of administrative and legal regulations included in social exclusion, social assistance and social economy.

Additional content for this volume comprises the conference letter from international events. The first one is Social Economy 2021. Social entrepreneurship and social capital: importance – education – development, an annual event organised by the Institute of Law and Economics, Pedagogical University of Krakow. The second one is the Strategic Interest Groups (SIGs) initiative at EURAM focuses on Entrepreneurship. The SIG Entrepreneurship organised a social and sustainable entrepreneurship track during EURAM 2021 conference. Marzena Starnawska brings more details about it.

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