

FROM LOCAL ACTION TO GLOBAL CHALLENGES



How Social and
Solidarity
Economy
initiatives can
connect
grassroots
practices to
global systemic
change

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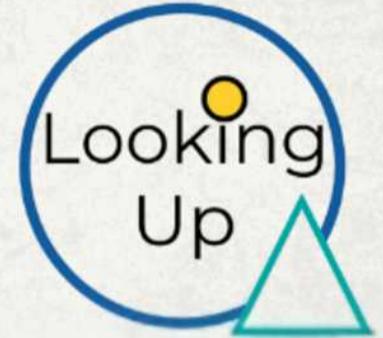


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The webinar will be animated by RIPESS Europe, with the partner organisation of Looking Up - Solidarius Italia, UFISC France and CRIES Romania - and the contribution of some expert guests to stimulate the debate.



Introduction

- How can local SSE initiatives address global crises (climate change, social inequalities, food sovereignty, migration, gender justice, wars, etc.)?
- What are the pathways that connect community practices with broader strategies, policies and transnational solidarity?

From practice to policy: what strategy to strengthen the European dimension?

- How to translate grassroots initiatives into political advocacy and policy frameworks at the European level
- Linking local voices with global networks and institutions
- The role of the Social Solidarity Economy on Geopolitics today

Open debate with participants: Building bridges between local practices and global challenges

- Scaling the impact of the small organizations through trans-local and inter-sectoral networks
- The ripple and butterfly effect: create convergence and critical mass for change at an international level while decentralising action in our territories.

Feedback and concluding remarks

- What do you take home? How can we continue the Looking Up pathway...

**LOOKING UP – A training path from experiences of local development
towards European Social Solidarity Economy strategies**

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