

GLOBAL SOCIAL ECONOMY FORUM

2019 PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES (DRAFT)

MAIN STRATEGIC DIRECTION OF THE YEAR 2019

1) *To expand the impact of SSE by diversifying range of programs and territories of action based on the outcome of the GSEF 2018 in Bilbao and requests from members*

- Increase number of member cities/networks from 49 > 100 (by the end of 2019)
 - Recruit more local governments and SSE networks as new GSEF members through more timely and developed continental policy dialogues and locally-designed capacity building programs
 - Advocate SSE agenda more actively at the international level by organizing joint sessions with other international organizations including UNTF, UCLG, etc. at the international meetings (UNTF SSE conference, UN High Level Political Forums, UCLG Retreat and World Congress, etc.)
 - Implement youth programs including trainings or exchanges based on the requests from the GSEF2018 to foster young actors' involvement in the network.
 - Develop partnerships with Latin and Central American SSE actors in the preparation process of GSEF 2020 in Mexico City. (Signing MOU for GSEF2020, the 5th Global LED Forum, etc.)

2) *To strengthen the role of international hub for SSE by providing research and training on SSE policies and practices and collecting data on SSE initiatives*

- Publish and distribute researches on the best examples of public policies on SSE in collaboration with international organizations or research institutes
 - Distribute the result of UNRISD research on social economy of Seoul
 - OECD joint research on the best examples to develop the manual for capacity building on SSE policy implementation for local governments.
 - Collective knowledge exchange projects with C.I.T.I.E.S. (workshops on the case of Barcelona or Quebec)
- Conduct case studies on SSE ecosystem of member territories and support capacity building programs of members
 - SE practice mapping projects and capacity building programs for member cities in Latin America and Africa (Senegal, Uganda, and/or Mexico City)

3) To activate knowledge exchanges among members and to manage resources on SSE's impacts systematically.

- Increase communications among members through monthly newsletters and other SNS channels.
- Build up databases by collecting data from member cities and networks and by updating member yearbooks
- Archiving SSE initiatives and its outcomes by publishing policy papers on member governments or organizations.

4) To improve network governance and administrative capacity of the secretariat.

- Strengthen the role of co-chairs and continental vice chairs (Seoul, Montreal, Bilbao, Bamako, and Mexico City) by co-organizing regional events (policy dialogues, workshops, etc.)
- Enhance the participation of the steering committee members and advisors in the discussion on GSEF's strategic planning, program implementations, monitoring and evaluations.
- Increase the administrative capacity of the secretariat and the number of staff to cover three official languages (English, French and Spanish) to be in charge of facilitation and communication with member territories.

2019 CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

(* Most of the dates and locations are to be confirmed)

Date	Month	Contents	Location
8	January	Searching and finalizing partner of resesarch project. Meeting with OECD	Paris, France
10~12	January	Research Seminar, The Future of Work, Labour after Laudato Si (organized by International Catholic Migration Commission, ICMC)	Rome, Italy
30	January	Steering Committee Conference Call	Online
?	February	C.I.T.I.E.S team visit & strategic meeting	Seoul, Korea
11~15	February	UCLG strategy meeting	Barcelona, Spain
18~22	February	Advisory Committee Meeting with Marguerite Mendell	Seoul , Korea
23~24	February	UNTF SSE Asia Seminar	Wonju, Korea
	March	Signing the contract for the research project	
25~29	March	GSEF 2020 Preparatory Meeting	Mexico City, Mexico

	April	the research project begins	
5~7	April	World Social Forum - Thematic Forum on Transformative Economy	Barcelona, Spain
25~26	April	Steering Committee Conference Call	online
30~05	April/ May	West Africa training workshops - in partnership with OIF(organisation internationale de francophonie)	Dakar, Senegal
7~9	May	LED regional forum	Barranquilla, Colombia
13~17	May	RENAPESS Annual Meeting	Bamako, Mali
13~17	May	Africa Policy Dialogue	Bamako, Mali
25~28	June	Asia Policy Dialogue	Singapore
25~28	June	AVPN Annual Meeting	Singapore
22~28	June	UNTFSSSE conference	Geneva, Switzerland
8~9	July	Signing the MOU of GSEF2020, launching local organizing committee	Mexico city, Mexico
8~9	July	Steering Committee Meeting in person	Mexico city, Mexico
10~12	July	LAC Policy Dialogue	Medellin, Colombia
10~12	July	World Cities Summit	Medellin, Colombia
13~15	July	RTES/CUF/AIMF Conference	Paris, France
9~18	July	UN High Level Political Forum	New York, USA
?	August	South and East Africa training workshop	Kampala, Uganda
?	August	2nd GSEF Global Youth Camp	Korea
15~17	September	LAC capacity training workshop	Cordoba, Argentina
17~21	September	the 5th International LED forum	Cordoba, Argentina
14~18	October	Steering Committee Conference Call	Online
27~3 Nov	October	Asia government officers training workshop	Korea
17~22	November	UCLG World Congress 2019	Durban, South Africa
25~29	November	Europe Policy Dialogue	Liverpool, UK
1~5	December	The Mont Blanc Meeting	Chamonix, France

PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

1. Statutory Meetings (Steering Committee and International Advisors' Meetings)

- *To start the preparation of the GSEF2020 in Mexico City and strengthen the role of GSEF in promoting SSE in the international society.*
- *To stabilize the system to support the action of chairs, co-chairs, and continental vice chairs and to strengthen their roles in entire network and each region.*

A. Steering Committee Meetings (Quarterly)

i. Schedule and format

Quarter	Date	Format
1st	Last week of January	On-line
2nd	Last week of April	On-line
3rd	Second week of July	In Person (In Medellin, Columbia)
4th	4th week of October	On-line

ii. Participants

Classification	Details	Numbers
Steering Committee Members	Chairs (Seoul City, Seoul Social Economy Network) Co-chairs(Mexico City, Mexico City SSE representative) Vice chairs (Montreal City, Chantier de l'économie sociale, Bilbao City, Bamako City) International networks (RIPESS, IFSSE) Regional networks(AVPN, APAY, Locality)	13
International Advisors	Prof. Margurite Mendell, Nancy Neamtan, Rev. Kyongyong Song, Thierry Jeantet, Etc.	As requested
Observers	C.I.T.I.E.S., other partner organizations	As requested
Secretariat	Secretary General	1

iii. Main agenda of steering committee meetings in the year 2019

1. Discussion on the strategic planning of the GSEF2020, including the main theme, organizing governance, preparation roadmap, etc.

2. Operation of GSEF activities, secretariat, admission of members, review and monitoring of budgets, etc.
3. Suggestions, updates, communications among members, etc.

B. International Advisors’ Meetings (every 6 months)

- i. Date and Venue: February in Seoul, July in Medellin
- ii. Suggested agenda: advices on GSEF programs and projects, specialized technical support for member city’s requests, etc.
- iii. List of International Advisors

Classification	Details	Numbers
To be appointed in 2019	Candidates will be recommended through the Steering Committee	2~3
Appointed in 2018	Prof. Margurite Mendell, Nancy Neamtan, Rev. Kyongyong Song, Thierry Jeantet	4
Total		6~7

2. Research Projects with International Organizations

- *To develop a module on implementation of SSE policies by analyzing best cases of SSE policies in a few member cities in partnership with renowned international research institutes or international organizations with specialties in social and economic development policy.*
- *To provide practical information to local governments in developing countries for application of the SSE policy as local development strategy.*

- **Research Period:** 2019~2020 (two years)
- **Research partners (tbc):** OECD, C.I.T.I.E.S., and/or UNRISD.
- **Research Title(tentative):** SSE Policy Implementation and Evaluation Module for local governments – based on the case studies of Barcelona, Quebec, and Seoul
- **Target readers:** local government officials in developing countries, researchers, SSE practitioners, and other interested groups/individuals.
- **Research Phase:**

Phase	Contents
Phase 0 (First quarter 2019)	Identify research scope and subject areas, discussion with research partners, signing an agreement with research institute and the GSEF
Phase 1 (Apr.~Dec. 2019)	Launch the project – form the research team, background research, decide the research frame, field studies, etc.
Phase 2 (2020)	Drafting the module, feasibility study, publish the final report.

3. Network Building and Advocacy

- *To recruit new member local governments and SSE networks or to identify potential partners for GSEF projects by attending various international forums and meetings*
- *To increase the impact of advocacy actions for SSE through stronger partnership with member networks and other international partners*

- **Main direction of the networking and advocacy actions in 2019**

- 1) Actively participate in actions of UNTF SSE including monthly meetings, UNTF SSE international forum (June), UN HLPF, etc.
- 2) Recruit more cities to UCLG Community of Practice on SSE and create a meaningful experience of mutual learning and attend key meetings of UCLG such as World Congress or Retreat and Campus.
- 3) Participate and organize a session on SSE in the 5th Local Economic Development Forum with GSEF members in Latin and Central America(LAC regional forum, main forum)
- 4) Co-organize sessions with partner networks at major forums including the World Social Forum of Transformative Economies (with RIPESS), UN General Assembly (with International leading group of SSE and IFSSE), RTES forum, etc.

- **List of meetings to attend and to co-organize SSE-themed sessions**

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4. Regional Policy Dialogues

- *To accelerate regional discussion on SSE policies by organizing four regional dialogues in Europe, Latin America, Asia, and Africa.*
- *To identify common agenda of the region and potential solutions of SSE in relation with the achievement of sustainable local development*
- *To develop the regional networks of GSEF members and partners by strengthen the leading role of regional vice chairs to advocate and promote SSE in their region.*

A. The 6th Asia Policy Dialogue(APD)

- Based on the requests of Asian members and the result of previous annual Asian Policy Dialogues, the new format of APD will be designed and developed to provide more practical collaboration among members in the region (ex. Market place, field visits, showcases, etc.)
- Possible Partners: AVPN, ASEC (RIPSS Asia), etc.
- Tentative time and venue of the event: June 2019, Singapore
- Expected participants: local governments and SSE practitioners in Asia

- Previous versions of Asia Policy Dialogues

	Date	Venue	Theme	# of participants
1	Nov.17, 2014	Seoul	Characteristics of Asian social economy and role of government and civil sectors.	70
2	Nov. 4, 2015	Seoul	Models of cooperation among sectors of Asian social economy	60
3	May 26, 2016	Hong Kong	Role of government to enhance impact of Social Economy in Asia	80
4	July 1 2017	Seoul	SSE policy for inclusive and sustainable social and economic development	60
5	July 7, 2018	Seoul	Social finance policy for values and competitiveness of SSE	60

B. The 3rd Europe Policy Dialogue

- Continue to the discussion in GSEF2018 in Bilbao, provide a platform for GSEF members and partners in Europe to develop a innovative solution to the current issues.
- Seek for opportunities of international cooperation between European members and other GSEF members in developing countries
- Possible Partners: Liverpool City, RIPESS Europe, REVES, EURICS, etc.
- Tentative time and venue of the event: November 2019, Liverpool
- Previous versions of Europe Policy Dialogues

	Date	Venue	Theme	# of participants
1	Dec.5, 2017	Archamps, France	Transformative Partnerships between Local Governments and SSE actors	20
2	Nov.7, 2018	Madrid, Spain	Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development through SSE	20

C. The 2nd Africa Policy Dialogue

- With the leadership of new continental vice chair, Bamako city, to open a space to discuss local social and economic agenda and build a regional network to promote SSE in African countries.
- Seek for opportunities of international cooperation among GSEF members and partners
- Possible Partners: Bamako city, RENAPESS, and other member cities in Africa, etc.

- iv. Tentative time and venue of the event: May 2019, Bamako
- v. Previous versions of Africa Policy Dialogues

	Date	Venue	Theme	# of participants
1	Oct. 2, 2018	Bilbao, Spain	Solution to youth unemployment through SSE	100

D. The 1st Latin America Policy Dialogue

- i. To develop Latin American network with members and regional partners by organizing the first Latin America Policy Dialogue
- ii. To identify local agenda that the SSE sector is actively working on to solve and organize a discussion if there can be a collective solution through regional or international cooperation.
- iii. Possible Partners: Mexico city, FEMULP, UCLG, etc.
- iv. Tentative time and venue of the event: April. 2019, Barranquilla, Columbia (In conjunction with the LAC Regional Local Economic Development Forum)

5. Regional Capacity Building and Case Studies

- *In partnership with member organizations and continental vice chairs, start a capacity building programs designed by local organizers based on the assessment of local needs. (focused on Latin America and Africa)*
- *To create an example of joint programs among members and connect to a partner who can pursue further development of the program*
- *To carry out the research to map the SSE sector in each region where the capacity building programs are held, and use the data for the baseline of the agenda setting and policy design.*

A. Latin America Regional Capacity Building and Mapping SSE program

- i. Tentative time and venue: September 2019, Cordoba, Argentina (in conjunction with Global LED forum)
- ii. Target countries: Mexico, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Guatemala. Peru, Argentina, Uruguay, Chile, etc.
- iii. Expected Participants: central and local government officials, SSE actors, academics, etc.

- iv. Contents: Knowledge exchange, study visits, case studies, thematic workshops, etc.

B. West Africa Regional Capacity Building and Mapping SSE program

- i. Tentative time and venue: May in Dakar, Senegal
- ii. Target countries: Mali, Senegal, Togo, Ivory Coast, Cabo Verde, Morocco, etc.
- iii. Expected Participants: central and local government officials, SSE actors, academics, etc.
- iv. Contents: Knowledge exchange, study visits, case studies, thematic workshops, etc.

C. East Africa Regional Capacity Building and Mapping SSE program

- i. Tentative time and venue: 2nd half of the year 2019, in Kampala, Uganda
- ii. Target countries: Uganda, Kenya, Ethiopia, Tanzania, Rwanda, South Africa, etc.
- iii. Expected Participants: central and local government officials, SSE actors, academics, etc.
- iv. Contents: Knowledge exchange, study visits, case studies, thematic workshops, etc.

6. International Training in Korea (Seoul HRDC joint program)

- *To make a pilot program of city-to-city knowledge exchange and share Seoul city's experience on SSE policies with member cities.*

- In partnership with Seoul Human Resource Development Center, the government officials of GSEF member cities will be invited to the 1 week training/study tour program in Seoul
- **Possible partners and participants:** 15 member city officials in charge of SSE or social and economic affairs.
- **Target Area in 2019:** Asia and English-speaking countries in Africa
- **Time and venue of the event:** Oct.27~ Nov.3, Seoul, Korea
- **Topics and programs:** Definition of SSE, Strategy to develop the SSE ecosystem, Capacity building plans for local SSE actors.

7. Youth Program

- *To Implement youth programs including trainings or exchanges based on the requests from the GSEF2018 to foster young actor's involvement in the network*
- *To form a core group of young actors in the network governance and develop a strategy to include their voices in the GSEF programs*

- organizing a committee of young representatives of GSEF members to prepare a youth gathering in 2019
- Holding an international event (gathering, training or contest) with young actors to promote SSE as an opportunity for youth to achieve their desire to change and contribute to the society.
- **Possible partners and participants** : youth leaders of GSEF member city and SSE networks, young practitioners of SSE
- **Tentative time and venue of the event**: August 2019, Seoul, Korea
- **Size of participants**: 100 people

8. Communication and Archiving

- *To activate communications or exchanges among members by providing multilingual contents through website, SNS services, or other media.*
- *To manage outcomes of members' SSE initiatives by enhancing archive system or by publishing case studies. .*

- **Website renewal**: providing updated information of member organizations or relevant news or resources on SSE sector through more user and mobile friendly setting.
- **Monthly newsletter in three languages and communication working groups** : collecting members' news and distribute through monthly newsletter and operating communication working groups 4 times a year as collective contributors and the editing board of the newsletter.
- **Archives of best examples and publication of case studies**: Organizing the archives of SSE initiatives and making it available to users of the GSEF website. Also publishing case studies of member territories to share and spread the SSE practices to other region.
- **Promotion materials**: Making leaflet, member yearbooks, souvenirs, videos, etc.