

SCOTLAND

NATIONAL SITUATION

In Scotland, only 2 organisations have set up Social Firms, creating 6 businesses and many part-time jobs. Edinburgh Community Trust, which has set up 5 businesses, and Travel Options, which operates a travel company in Glasgow.

LOCAL SITUATION

In Edinburgh, Lothian, there is 1 organisation which has set up 5 businesses, 4 of which have been successful – 1 was not commercially viable.

GERMANY (INTEG)

NATIONAL SITUATION

Since more than 15 years “social firms” exist in Germany and offer sustainable job opportunity for disabled people.

LOCAL SITUATION

Social firms have grown up and covered new economical branches.

ITALY

LOCAL SITUATION

Veneto: the social cooperatives in Veneto were 13 in 1995, in 1997 they were 130.

Lazio: in Lazio there are 150 social cooperatives.

FRANCE (AI)

NATIONAL SITUATION

Insertion in the market.

LOCAL SITUATION

1/3 of the people have been employed for more than 6 months. Progressive employment of people who have asked for it.

FRANCE (GCAT)

NATIONAL SITUATION

Units of production.

LOCAL SITUATION

Development of the mark.

FRANCE (INTERIM D'INSERTION)**NATIONAL SITUATION**

- Adaptation to the place of work
- Possibility for persons with difficulties to have a support.

LOCAL SITUATION

Employment in companies. Development of the mark.

FRANCE (CAT)**NATIONAL SITUATION**

Possibility of different activities, social, health and educational support.

LOCAL SITUATION

- Regular orders, benefits
- Individual rhythms of work and solutions
- Adaptation to the place of work.



Rossini, particolare di incisione Castellaccio Genzano

SCOTLAND**NATIONAL SITUATION**

The business are commercially viable, creating employment in a commercial environment.

LOCAL SITUATION

The businesses are successful, offering employment in a commercial environment.

GERMANY (INTEG)**NATIONAL SITUATION**

There is still a tendency to create new companies.

LOCAL SITUATION

Until now the social firms of our region realised positive annual balances.

ITALY**NATIONAL SITUATION**

From a helped company to a supported one: from incentives not connected with economic results to ways of support binding on the development of production activities and the increase of employment.

A significant number of non-disadvantaged workers whose wages depend on the economic results of the company. The success of some cooperatives which have chosen a company. Strategy has spread this model.

The union trades have safeguarded the conditions of work of this kind of workers in comparison with the other fields.

The development of a network of companies: from a condition of dependence, in which the cooperative needed an indefinite help, and the public institutions had a charitable attitude to it, to an exchange relationship. Now the cooperative knows the social value of the work integration, carries out and offers this "service" to the public institution, which in return gives orders to the cooperative.

The substantial number of non disabled workers: disabled and non disabled workers do the same tasks, so that the disabled person can be helped by the other workers. **POLITIC ACTION:** the social cooperation can now show at a social level its problems, and its results in the insertion of disadvantaged people in the labour market.

LOCAL SITUATION

Veneto: in 1997 in the type B social cooperatives the employed people are 2.318, of these 1.016 are disadvantaged workers. In 1995 the social cooperatives employed 1.607 persons, 707 were disadvantaged people.

Lazio: in Lazio there are about 150 social cooperatives, which employ more than 3.000 people, a half of these are disabled people, people with psychical troubles, people in semi-custody, drug-addicts.

BELGIUM**LOCAL SITUATION**

In Wallonie, there are 65 adapted work enterprises. Some of them consider themselves as social enterprises and want to be recognised as such. They are, indeed, managed and organised as enterprises, develop investments plans in sector of high efficiency and margins, and are employment makers.

They are working in agreement with the orders of social legislation, offer a worker status as a whole to disabled persons.

The only legal difference with an ordinary enterprise comes from the fact that they are created as civilian companies (non profit organisations) and not as commercial companies, which, at the

economic level, involves problems of recognition, exclusion of the scope of some measures (especially aids to economic extension of enterprises, agreement for some exportation markets).

The status of "company with a social aim" has been introduced in Belgium by the law of June 13th, 1995, particularly to meet problems on employment in general. Because of the lack of advantages combined with this status, there are up to now no adapted work enterprises which have taken this status.

There are 5.300 disabled people that are working in this sector with normal wages. The Turnover is Euro 100.000.000. 34% of the total incomes are subvention.

FRANCE (AI)

NATIONAL SITUATION

Flexibility, swiftness, knowledge of the public, short contracts, public authority interventions.

LOCAL SITUATION

Unemployed young and adult people have been inserted in the labour market.

FRANCE (INTERIM D'INSERTION)

NATIONAL SITUATION

Support agreements, cooperation, particular ways of employment.

LOCAL SITUATION

Analysis of demand and supply of work- identification of the situation.

FRANCE (GCAT)

NATIONAL SITUATION

The 1957 law provides for incentives to companies which buy product made in companies which employ disabled workers - public label: product made by disabled worker.

LOCAL SITUATION

Support workshops about voluntary service

3 world gold medals for quality-stability of employment - normal times of work - combination with normal people

FRANCE (CAT)

NATIONAL SITUATION

Individual employment, vocational guidance organization.

BELGIUM

LOCAL SITUATION

- For the insertion enterprises, within the 3 last months, we have had 20 projects started and receiving the recognition

- For the Adapted work enterprise there is a transformation of the old sheltered workshops in real social firms.



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