

The Institute RiSI gathers and supports non-governmental organisations and individuals, who implement activities of social care, and operates on national and European level and wider with the purpose of developing greater social solidarity towards the poor and other locially excluded groups of population and overcoming social and economic differences within the population. With its activities, the Institute contributes argreater social coherence and inclusion of all parts of society.

For attainment of its purpose, the Institute RiSI will bring together these organisations and inform them about developments and activities that are of vital importance to them, about funding possibilities on national and international level and spread awareness of good practices in the field of humanitarian work. It will enable contacts and networking among organisations and users (interested public) and thus contribute to socially aware society, which takes into account (the needs of) all of its members.



The wider purpose of the Institute is to gather nongovernmental organisations, which operate in the field of poverty and social exclusion, with the aim of providing more efficient response to poverty in Slovenia and Europe through the following goals and activities:

- Assuring that the fight against povery and social exclusion becomes one of the key priorities in Slovenia
- Development, implementation and evaluation of social inclusion projects and dissemination of good practice from the field;
- Education and awareness-raising of wider public for development of greater social solidarity and inclusion of marginalised groups.

- Development of proposals, strategies and reports in the field of social care;
- Cooperation and development of proposals within development of National Action Plans in the area of social inclusion and other relevant government documents from the field;
- Opening a public dialogue and dialogue with political partners about poverty, social exclusion, employment, housing, development of social economy, development of social welfare legislation and related issues:
- Promoting and enabling inclusion of poor and other marginalised groups of people in the decision-making processes and development of strategies and policies in the field of social care.

- Opening a public space for socially excluded groups of people;
- Advocacy, support and empowerment of members of the Institute;
- Advocacy, support and empowerment of people experiencing poverty and social exclusion;
- Cooperation with organisations on European and global level in establishing adequate international environment for the fight against poverty and social exclusion;
- Exchange of information among members of the Institute;
- Preparation and publication of documents in the field of poverty and social exclusion;
- Organisation of various educational activities, conferences, workshops and seminars in the area of poverty, social exclusion and related phenomena.

The institute RiSI will pursue and promote the following values: • Social justice as a just, transparent and accountable use of resources and balanced social power that serves the needs of humankind and reduction of social inequalities; • Solidarity, which contributes to solutions on local, regional and global level • Sustainable development as a moderate use of natural reduction, which respects the nature and future generations of humankind;

Support and inclusion of local resources and inclusion beneficiaries in systems of decision-making about the use of resources, which raises the efficiency of the consumption and adherence to adopted decisions;

- <u>Cooperation</u> of all relevant individuals and groups in the decision-making processes regarding development;
- <u>Inclusion</u> of socially excluded groups of people into wider society; opening a public space for dialogue among people experiencing poverty and social exclusion and wider public; taking into account the experience and knowledge of people facing poverty when developing strategies for facing poverty and social exclusion;

- Dialogue with the government and cooperation with public bodies and holders of a public mandate; development and implementation of expert guidelines and proposals for development of social policies on local, national and EU levels;
- <u>Transparency</u> as visibility of action of all institutions and organisations as well as access to information about their work;
- Acceptance of differences and diversity and inclusion of all social groups.

Membership of the Institute

- Legal persons active in the area of improving the status of individuals or communities, faced with poverty and social exclusion;
- Informal groups and individuals may also take part in activities of the network;
- Organisations are represented in the network with one individual:
- A new member of the network is admitted upon decision of the General Assembly, based on a written application (request);
- The Membership becomes effective on the day of its confirmation by the General Assembly. After submission of a written request for acceptance into the network, the applicant may participate in discussions of the General assembly without a right to vote.

Founders of institution

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