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THE WILCO PROJECT

UNDERSTANDING INNOVATIONS IN LOCAL WELFARE TO STRENGTHEN SOCIAL COHESION AND LOWER SOCIAL INEQUALITIES

WHAT IS WILCO?

Researchers and academical interested in the emerging topic of social innovation from the perspective of welfare, civil society and social enterprise studies.

General public and citizens who are aware of the challenges facing European society and interested in exploring some examples across Europe.

By contextualising innovations in local welfare, we have been more effective in understanding how they could work in other cities, for the benefit of other citizens.

WILCO helped to understand how the creativity and energy in European cities can be tapped into and used to its full potential.

In all, everybody interested in how local social innovations in welfare systems can and can be replicated in different European contexts will find relevant information on the WILCO Project website.

BY WILCO?

WHO IS CONCERNED BY WILCO?

WHAT IS WILCO?

Practitioners, professionals and other citizens involved in social innovations from the various activity sectors included in WILCO.

General public and citizens who are interested in understanding how local social innovation can be replicated in different European contexts.

Practitioners and public administrators.

Policymakers and public administrators.

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The main results from the WILCO Project take the format of videos and various types of publications, there are also reports available from grassroots events and numerous participation in international events. All the results are available on the WILCO Project website.

**Videos**

A documentary divided in three individual video pieces was produced at the end of the WILCO Project featuring the challenges, the solutions via social innovation and the governance regimes implemented. In addition, the YouTube page of the project features the various videos created during the project.

- Social vulnerability in European cities.
- Social Innovations across Europe.
- Governance of innovation across European cities.

**Publications**

- **40 City reports (on innovation and governance)**
- **10 National reports on local welfare systems**
- **4 Comparative reports (some published as EMES Working Papers)**
- **3 Policy briefs**
- **2 Edited volumes: “Social vulnerability in European cities” (2014) and “Social Innovations in the urban context” (2015)**
- **1 e-Book “Social Innovations for social cohesion”**
- **1 Measures of Social Cohesion: Comparative Report**

**e-Book**

The aim of this book is to present a detailed presentation of all 77 social innovations studied as well as an initial transversal reflection on patterns across Europe.