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## A COMMON APPROACH FOR THE PILOT PROJECTS

In the first phase of DelFin project implementation, the DelFin partnership analyzed the current situation of social entrepreneurship in the partner countries (Croatia, Germany, Hungary and Italy) and based on this, developed a Toolbox of successful business support tools.

The Toolbox aims at the promotion of social entrepreneurship with a focus on funding & finance instruments.

At the following stage, the partners selected instruments of the developed Toolbox and combined them in pilot programs to develop recommendations on how to better support social entrepreneurs (SEs) in rural areas.

As the initial step of pilot project development, partners compiled a common approach for implementation of the pilot projects with the guidance and leadership of IFKA Public Benefit Non-profit Ltd.

This common approach is the "Joint Concept for Implementation of Pilots" (Joint Concept), which ensures the comparability, measurability, and transferability of pilot projects and their results.

The Joint Concept also ensures that project partners target rural territories on both regional and country levels. It also identifies the needs and problems to be tackled to support the development of the social enterprise ecosystems such as aging, depopulation, lack of infrastructure, awareness, and unclear understanding of social entrepreneurship, as well as weak SE ecosystems.

(Boglárka Barkó - Hungary)

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(Heike Gebhardt - Germany)

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Read more about the [Croatian pilot project](#).

(Brodoto - Croatia)

# HOW PILOTS KICK OFF IN HUNGARY AND CROATIA

## HUNGARY

On the 28th September, the kick-off meeting of DelFin's Hungarian pilot program took place online. During the meeting, Hajdú-Bihar County Government presented the DelFin project to the participants and introduced details of the pilot program. More details of the program were presented by the provider of workshops and mentoring, Impact Hub Budapest.

Apart from the tandem partners (Hajdú-Bihar County Government and IFKA), the meeting was attended by thirteen applicants, Impact Hub Budapest, University of Debrecen, and National Employment Foundation.

(Judit KARÁCSONYI - Hungary)

## CROATIA

The kick-off meeting in Duga Resa took place online in July, 2020.

After a short introduction to the pilot program by tandem partners Duga Resa and Brodoto , registered teams presented their projects.

Following that, experts of the Empiria Magna gave them an overview of the content of the program.

Huge thanks to associated partners Zadruga za etično financiranje and external stakeholders who were present at the meeting, providing valuable feedback - LAG Vallis Colapis.

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- **Social Entrepreneurship Camp Karlsruhe** (11.-13.12.2020) **Type:** Online Event;  
Sponsor/organizer: Hilfswerft; **Theme:** Value-based entrepreneurship.; **Link:**  
<https://www.hilfswerft.de/veranstaltung/social-entrepreneurship-camp-karlsruhe/>
- **Digital Road to Mannheim: Health Issues and Social Protection** (17.12.2020), **Type:** Online event;  
Sponsor/organizer: European Social Economy Summit 2021; **Theme:** Building an economy of well-being;  
**Link:** <https://www.euses2020.eu/exchange-events/>