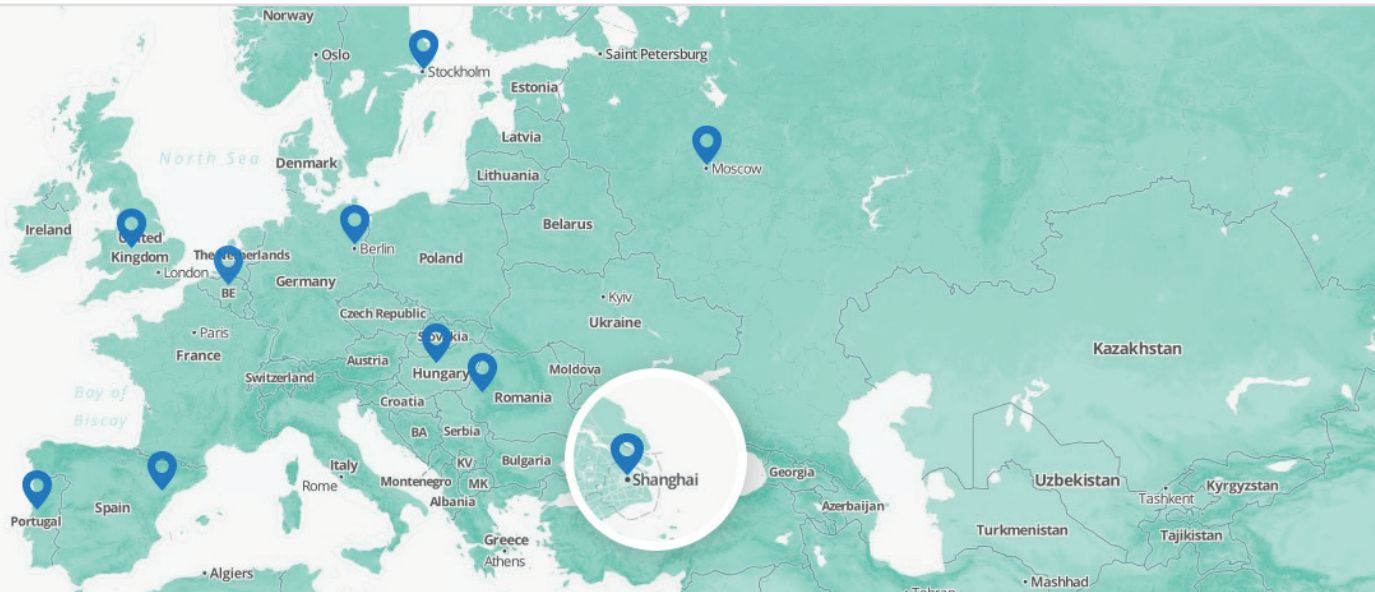




# SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP AS FORCE FOR MORE INNOVATIVE AND INCLUSIVE SOCIETIES



## 1) Mission

Through the generation of robust evidence and internationally leading research, SEFORIS aims to better understand the role that social

enterprises play in the EU and beyond in the development and evolutions of inclusive and innovative societies.

## 2) Objectives

### SEFORIS investigates:

- > **Key processes** through which social enterprises deliver inclusion and innovation (spanning a range of domains, from organisation and governance, over financing and innovation to behavioural change)
- > **Contexts** in which social enterprises thrive

### Methodology:

- > Co-creating knowledge and original evidence with social entrepreneurs and policy-makers
- > Critically scrutinizing and advancing current academic thinking
- > In close dialogue with social enterprise experts worldwide

### Outcomes:

- > Theoretical **frameworks** that serve as a basis for thinking systematically about social innovation and inclusion processes in context
- > New insights drawing from field and lab **experimentation** and **in-depth case studies** of social enterprises in Europe and beyond
- > A unique **longitudinal**, **rich survey data** on social enterprises across 9 distinct countries, and exploiting these data to test bold hypotheses and produce reliable findings.

### 3) Organisation

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*SEFORIS is a consortium of 12 organisations from 10 countries including Belgium, China, Germany, Hungary, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Spain, Sweden, and the UK.*

#### Academic partners and research institutes:

KU Leuven (Belgium), Hertie School of Governance (Germany), Autonomous University of Barcelona (UAB, Spain), University of Aveiro (Portugal), Centre for Economic and Financial Research (CEFIR, Russia), Stockholm School of Economics (Sweden), Aston Business School (United Kingdom)

#### Social entrepreneur support and financing organisations:

Oksigen Lab (Belgium), i-propeller (Belgium), Non-Profit Incubator (NPI, China), Nonprofit Enterprise and Self-sustainability Team (NESsT, Hungary & Romania), and The Foundation for Social Entrepreneurs - UnLtd (United Kingdom)

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