

Data Ethics and Accessibility - ensuring a human centred approach.

6- 7 November 2025, Rīga

Join us for the **third Transnational Workshop of the DO Impact Capacity Building Programme for Social Enabling Organisations**: a two-day event dedicated to exploring data ethics and its practical application in the social economy!

On the **first day**, we will set the stage with an introduction to the **fundamentals of data ethics and personal data protection** for social economy support organisations. The afternoon will continue with a practical workshop connecting theory to daily work, followed by a networking session where participants will share their own experiences, challenges, and updates on data ethics in an interactive peer-learning format.

The **second day** will dive deeper into the **practical side of regulation and ethics**. We will explore how GDPR, the AI Act, and related frameworks apply in the social economy, with a focus on human-centred approaches and responsible data management. The day will also feature a session based on a **practical guide to implementing AI safely and ethically**, equipping participants with tools and examples to strengthen their organisations' data practices.

Agenda: Location: **HOTEL BERGS, Elizabetes street 83/85, Riga**

Day 1: 6/11/2025 (11.00-17.30 pm)

TIMING	NAME OF SESSION
11:00 - 11:30	Registration and welcome
11:30 - 12:20	<p>Welcome to DO Impact third Transnational Workshop <i>Social Entrepreneurship Association of Latvia</i></p> <p>Introduction to the DO Impact project: <i>Aneta Quraishy, DO Impact Transnational Workshop Coordinator</i></p> <p>Introduction with the participants, setting the expectations <i>Social Entrepreneurship Association of Latvia</i></p> <p>A short interactive round where participants get to know each other and align on goals for the workshop</p>
12:20 - 12:45	<p>Social Economy Ecosystem in Latvia: Context and Current Developments <i>Social Entrepreneurship Association of Latvia</i></p> <p>This session will provide an overview of the social economy ecosystem in Latvia, highlighting its development, and current trends</p>
12:45 - 14:00	<p>Session I: Data ethics in perspective <i>Dr. Aleksandrs Potaičuks, Riga Graduate School of Law</i></p> <p>Basics of personal data and processing principles, what happens if data or consent is mismanaged, and why every organisation needs a data protection policy to safeguard both people and trust especially within the social economy organisations</p>
14:00 - 14:45	Coffee break / Light lunch
14:45 - 15:45	<p>Practical Session I: How is this connected to my organisation? <i>Social Entrepreneurship Association of Latvia</i></p> <p>Practical workshop bringing theoretical knowledge from the first session in connection to practical SESOs daily activities</p>
15:45 - 17:15	<p>World Café: Sharing Experiences <i>Social Entrepreneurship Association of Latvia</i></p> <p>In this interactive session, participants will exchange their own updates, practices, and challenges related to data ethics</p>
17:15 - 17:30	Wrap up & reflection

Day 2: 7/11/2025 (9:00 - 14:00)

TIMING	NAME OF SESSION
9.00 - 9.20	Welcome coffee & Networking
9.20 - 9.30	<p>Welcome back to workshop <i>Social Entrepreneurship Association of Latvia</i></p> <p>A short introduction of the today's agenda, reflexion on yesterday's content</p>
9.30 - 10.30	<p>Session II: Human-Centred Data Ethics in Practice <i>Kristofers Kalniņš-Liberis, Data Protection Officer, Debate Mentor, graduate of Law & Diplomacy (RGSL)</i></p> <p>Practical application of the GDPR, the AI Act, the NIS2 Directive in the context of social economy, focusing on key principles, requirements, and real-world relevance. Principles of information security and awareness-raising for risks of AI and bad data processing.</p>
10.30 - 11.00	Coffee break
11.00 - 13.30	<p>Practical Session II: A Practical Guide to Responsible AI <i>Wojtek Wilk, Data scientist, social programme Sektor 3.0</i></p> <p>A new hands-on guide for safely and ethically implementing AI tools presents practical resources exploring key issues of data governance, accountability, transparency, and the prevention of algorithmic bias to support ethical and effective AI use in their organisations.</p>
13.30 - 14.00	Wrap up, feedback and upcoming opportunities



Participants

The Capacity Building is open specifically to **Social Economy Enabling Organisations**, meaning entities that support and promote the development and functioning of the Proximity and Social Economy ecosystem by managing a network of social economy organisations (such as cooperatives, mutual benefit societies, associations, foundations, and social enterprises), creating networking opportunities, providing direct support to them, etc. These organisations have an important role in driving the digital transformation/transition of SMEs/entities working in the social economy sector.

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