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SOLIDARITY ECONOMY, SOCIAL TECHNOLOGIES AND SUSTAINABILITY

Concepts and experiences from Brazil

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I – Solidarity economy in Brazil (history and context)

1. Military dictatorship and resistance (1970-80)

- the opposition to regime: the critique to the traditional left
- theoretical summary: the critical marxism and the theology of liberation
- the new concepts: participatory democracy and social mobilization bottom up
- change of the economic standards fordism and 'underdeveloped green revolution'















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2. Redemocratization and new social movementes (1980-1990)

- the 'democratic opening' and the Worker's Party ('PT')
- the new labour unionism and the Workers Trade Union Central ('CUT')
- the Movement of the Rural Landless Workers ('MST')



















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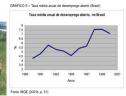
- 3. Neoliberalism and productive restructuring (1990-2002)
 - massive unemploiment in cities / social conflicts in the countryside
 - dismantring of trade unions' movilization
 - massive appearance of solidarity economy organizations
- 4. The emergency of solidarity economy an economic alternative oriented by socio-political values



















II – Solidarity economy in Brazil (the development)

1. Multiplicity of colective actions

- economic organizations of different kinds
- NGOs and the support to the solidarity economy
- university incubators of popular cooperatives (1998)
- Brazilian Solidarity Economy Forum (2002)
- National Agency of Solidarity Economy (2003)









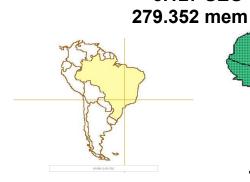




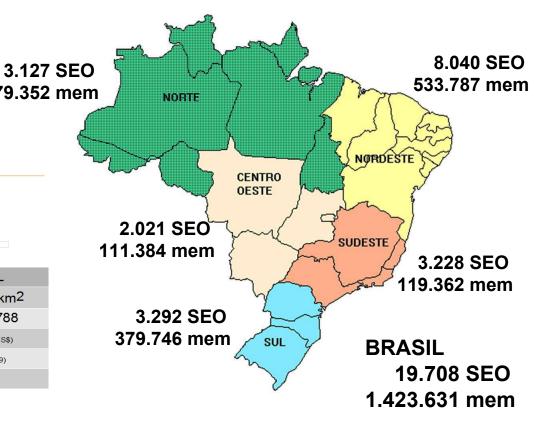








	FINLAND	BRAZIL
Area	338.424 km ²	8.515.767 km ²
Population	5.470.820	202.656.788
GDP per capita	40.485 (US\$)	15.153 (US\$)
HDI	0,879 (24)	0,744 (79)
Gini	25,9	51,9



















II – Solidarity economy in Brazil (the development)

2. Multiplicity of kinds of economic organizations

- groups, associations and cooperatives of production and services
- networks and chains of productive enterprises
- recuperated enterprise
- solidarity production of art & culture
- small farmers and handcrafts street markets
- time banks
- groups of responsible consumption
- community banks of development with social currency















II – Solidarity economy in Brazil (the development)

3. The role of the solidarity economy and social technologies for sustainability















4. The last period (2010-2014)

- the change of perspectives under the "social inclusion policies"
- the new social movements and the changes in the solidarity economy
- the disjuncture between government and movement
- the consolidation of the enterprises and networks
- towards a new context?



Kiitos...!