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GOUVERNANCE ET INTÉRÊT GÉNÉRAL
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Governance, Boards of Directors and the Impact of Contracting on Not-for-profit Organizations – An Australian Study

Abstract excerpted from the URL cited above: “This article investigates strategic changes in the governance of not-for-profit (NFP) boards in response to Australia’s fully contracted employment services system. Of interest are changes in board demography, behaviour, procedures and dynamics, with special attention to the impact of those changes on boards’ identity as a representation of community interests. As Australia is in the vanguard of social service contracting, the Australian experience affords insight into the impact of contracting upon the identity of the NFP sector. We find that NFP directors operating in this quasi-market have come to define board ‘professionalism’ as the main strategic move to accommodate the increasingly commercial and competitive nature of contracting. Boards have adopted a more business-like view of how their agency should operate, changed their board’s skill set and utilized strategic recruitment processes, including selecting new board members based on perceived skill deficiencies of the current board and paying board members for their service. NFP boards have also introduced more comprehensive induction, training and evaluation systems. These findings provide Australian policymakers with evidence of the cultural impact of service delivery reforms on NFP agencies. They also afford leaders of NFPs an opportunity to reflect on important changes in the governance of their organizations, including the potential for ‘mission drift’ and loss of local forms of legitimacy.”
Governance in South Korean social enterprises: are there alternative models?
Marcello Bertotti, Younghee Han, Gopalakrishnan Netuveli, Kevin Sheridan and Adrian Renton. Social Enterprise Journal, volume 10, issue 1, April 2014.

Abstract excerpted from the URL cited above: “Theoretical and empirical research on the governance of social enterprises has grown considerably in the last decade centred primarily on the UK, Europe and the US. Whilst some articles have discussed the role and growth of social enterprises in Asia, the empirical evidence remains scant, particularly in relation to empirical studies of social enterprise governance in South Korea. Drawing upon established literature on social enterprise governance, we tested empirically five conceptual models on a sample of 69 South Korean social enterprises collected through an online survey to identify the prevalent model of governance. Such models were found unable to fully explain governance processes observed. Thus, we used an innovative statistical technique, latent class analysis, which identifies clusters of associations between key governance variables. This exercise revealed two opposite models, centralising and interdependent. The latter represent an interesting shift towards widening forms of participation in governance processes in South Korea. The sample is small and only limited to some types of social enterprise. More research needs to be done on larger samples including the growing South Korean co-operative sector. To our knowledge this is the first published data available on the governance of South Korean social enterprises and the analysis used to identify governance models (i.e. latent class analysis) is novel.”

MODES DE DÉVELOPPEMENT ET DE FINANCEMENT
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Sentimental Drivers of Social Entrepreneurship: A Study of China’s Guangcai (Glorious) Program

Abstract excerpted from the URL cited above: “Social entrepreneurship plays an important role in local development in emerging economies, but scholars have paid little attention to this emerging phenomenon. Under the theory of moral sentiments, we posit that some entrepreneurs are altruistically motivated to promote a morally effective economic system by engaging in social entrepreneurial activities. Focusing on China’s Guangcai (Glorious) Program, a social entrepreneurship program initiated by China’s private entrepreneurs to combat poverty and contribute to regional development, we find that private entrepreneurs are motivated to participate in such programs if they have more past distressing experiences, including limited educational opportunities, unemployment experience, rural poverty experience, and startup location hardship. Their perceived social status further strengthens these relationships. Our study contributes to the social entrepreneurship literature by offering a moral sentiment perspective that explains why some entrepreneurs voluntarily join a social entrepreneurship program to mitigate poverty in society.”

Haiti’s Caisses Populaires: Home-Grown Solutions to Bring Economic Democracy
http://www.emeraldinsight.com/journals.htm?articleid=17103311

Abstract excerpted from the URL cited above: “Bad governance and corrupt politics have left millions of people disenfranchised. In spite of an oppressive and undemocratic state, poor Haitians have created their own informal groups, cooperatives and caisses populaires (credit union) movements – a testimony to the democratic spirit of the poor masses. The paper aims to discuss these issues. A mixed qualitative study using interviews, surveys, focus groups, ethnography techniques and literature review. Lenders who run the caisses populaires are not class or race biased; they understand how to make microfinance assist the marginalized poor in a society segregated by class and race. Cooperatives and credit unions (called caisses populaires in Haiti) are able to reach hundreds of thousands of people. These lenders one or two generations removed from the people they serve understand their reality and take careful steps and plan in a way to ensure their loans are structured to be socially inclusive. In fact, black microfinance lenders, as well as whitened local elites and foreigners, have a socially conscious philosophy of using microfinance as a vehicle to ensure economic democracy for the masses. In doing this, they take personal risks. The ti machanns recognize these efforts and as a result trust these credit programs.”
GESTION
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Engagement Motivations in Professional Association
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Abstract excerpted from the URL cited above: “This article follows Knoke in exploring how public incentives offered by professional associations (such as lobbying on behalf of collective interests) compete with private incentives (such as member networking opportunity) in promoting monetary gifts, voluntary coproduction of organizational outcomes, and commitment to the association. Olson’s contention that public goods do not motivate civic engagement has fostered several decades of research geared toward establishing the role of such goods in associational outcomes. Based on membership surveys of three engineering associations and two health care associations, the study concludes that private incentives are not universal motivators, while public incentives show some evidence of motivating engagement. Unexpected differences between the two fields of professional association are striking, prompting suggestions that current practitioners and future research give attention to field differences and resist overgeneralization regarding engagement motivations, outcomes, and commitment across professional fields.”

Managerial Organizing Practices and Legitimacy Seeking in Social Enterprises
David Sarpong and Clayton Davies. Social Enterprise Journal, volume 10, issue 1, April 2014.

Abstract excerpted from the URL cited above: “The purpose of this paper is to explore how social enterprises as an emerging organizational form in market economies acquire legitimacy to attract the support of their constituents and stakeholders. Employing a qualitative case study of ten UK-based social enterprises, data for the empirical inquiry was collected using semi-structured interviews and documentary evidence (e.g. Internet web pages, newsletters, and marketing materials). We found cross sector partnerships, community engagement and capability building and, compassionate enterprise narratives as quintessentially embedded managerial initiatives and practices which give form to the legitimating activities of social enterprises. Proactive investment in the practices identified could help social enterprises to shore up their legitimacy to garner more societal support. In particular, they can draw on their partnership ties to locate, and recruit benevolent co-optees, strategically manipulate their community engagement activities to avoid goal displacement, and employ their compassionate enterprise narratives as an external communication tool to highlight their social objectives to their audiences. The study highlights relevant organizing practices and activities that social enterprises employ to build legitimacy to attract the necessary support, relationships, and investments they require to function and grow.”

Management Models and Priorities in Member Associations. Is Credit Unions’ Community Involvement Crowded-Out?
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Abstract excerpted from the URL cited above: “Credit unions are membership-based cooperative financial services organizations that are run by and for their members. Historically, credit unions provided financial services for their members and encouraged community development through philanthropy and volunteering. The World Council of Credit Unions (WOCCU), the sector’s global trade association and development agency, encourages the adoption of a management model, coined “new model,” which encourages for-profit financial management practices. The “new model” approach is challenged by some practitioners and academics concerned that it will diminish the community involvement of credit unions. We explore the following research question: “Does the implementation of a management model that promotes for-profit-style financial management crowd out the community impact of credit unions?” We use a dataset extracted from 2,275 annual returns for 188 credit unions spanning 1996-2008, and find no evidence that community impact diminishes as a result of “new model” operating practices, suggesting a crowding-out effect is absent.”

Understanding and Combating Mission Drift in Social Enterprises
Christopher Cornforth. Social Enterprise Journal, volume 10, issue 1, April 2014.

Abstract excerpted from the URL cited above: “The aim of this paper is to develop a better understanding of the pressures that can cause mission drift among social enterprises and some of the steps that social enterprises can take to combat these pressures. The paper is conceptual in nature. It draws on resource dependency theory, institutional theory and various extant empirical studies to develop an understanding of the causes of mission drift. This analysis is then used to examine the practical steps that social enterprises can take to combat mission drift. The paper highlights how high dependence on a resource provider and the demands of ‘competing’ institutional environments can lead to mission drift. Based on this analysis the paper sets out various governance mechanisms and management strategies that can be used to combat mission drift. The paper sets out practical steps social enterprises can take to try to prevent mission drift. While governance mechanisms provide important safeguards there is still a danger of mission drift unless active steps are taken to manage the tensions that arise from trying to achieve both commercial and social goals. These strategies can be divided into two broad types. Those that seek to compartmentalize the different activities into separate parts of the organization, and those that seek to integrate them. Integrative strategies include careful selection and socialization, compromise and ‘selective coupling’. The paper will be of value to other researchers attempting to understand the dynamics of social enterprises and in particular the processes that can lead mission drift, and to managers of social enterprises keen to combat these processes.”

The Impact of Revenue Diversification on Expected Revenue and Volatility for Nonprofit Organizations
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Abstract excerpted from the URL cited above: “We investigate the relationship between revenue diversification and volatility for nonprofits. Modern portfolio theory suggests that more diversification reduces volatility at the expense of reduced expected revenue. We find that this relationship should not be taken for granted. We use a new empirical measure of volatility that addresses estimation issues of expected revenue, including heteroskedasticity and the omission of the effect of diversification on expected revenue. We also examine the impact on nonprofits of different types of diversification. We find that the effects of diversification on volatility and expected revenue depend on the compositional change in the portfolio. For example, a more diversified portfolio achieved by replacing earned income with donations reduces both volatility and expected revenue, while replacing investment income with donations to achieve an increase in diversification of the same magnitude reduces volatility and increases expected revenue. This suggests other motives for nonprofit organizations to hold investments.”

La revelación social en sociedades cooperativas: una visión comparativa de las herramientas más utilizadas en la actualidad
http://pendientedemigracion.ucm.es/info/revesco/txt/REVESCO%20N%202014.1%20Francisca%20CASTILLA%20y%20Dolores%20GALLARDO.pdf

Resumen proveniente del artículo: “En el terreno de la Responsabilidad Social (RS) las sociedades cooperativas parten de una situación de ventaja frente al resto de las empresas. El paralelismo de los principios y valores cooperativos y el concepto de RS, nos lleva a plantear peculiaridades de este tipo de actuación social en cooperativas, la llamada RS-Coop. Nos centraremos en ella pero de forma más específica el trabajo se orienta a la revelación social o comunicación de la dimensión social de estas empresas para analizar tanto el fondo o justificación de su razón de ser como la forma de llevarla a la práctica. Especialmente revisaremos los esquemas o modelos de informes más utilizados, analizando tanto aquellos que pueden catalogarse como pioneros, el Balance Cooperativo, como los más recientes o actuales, RSE COOP y la Guía Global Reporting Initiative de la Economía Social.”

Learning Orientation and Market Orientation as Catalysts for Innovation in Nonprofit Organizations

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Abstract excerpted from the URL cited above: “The purpose of the study is to review the adoptability of learning orientation (LO), market orientation (MO), and innovative human service nonprofits by investigating the relationships among these. The study hypothesizes and analyzes the mediating effect of MO in the movement from learning orientation to innovation. The findings based on nonprofit community centers in South Korea partially support the positive influence of LO and MO on innovation, proposing the importance of establishing both LO and MO to facilitate innovations in human service nonprofits. The study suggests implications for practice and future research.”

Local Stakeholder Involvement and Social Innovation in Korean Co-operatives: The cases of Wonju and Ansung Cities

Sangil Han, Mookwon Chung and Munsu Park. Community Development Journal, volume 49, issue 2, pages 327-343, April 2014.
http://www.scopus.com/record/display.url?eid=2-s2.0-84897068326&origin=SingleRecordEmailAlert&txGid=BBC747203C7075B4AFAC59C25DD26A8C.ZmAySxCHIxXbTXbnsoe5w%3a1

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university or graduate school are required. In Korea, for social enterprise to develop, excessive governmental involvement in the market should decrease. That is, the certification requirement for social enterprise should be eased much and a direct support for social enterprise should be converted into an indirect support method, which enables more activities of social enterprise and higher job creation effect. In the long term, social entrepreneurs should be fostered to enhance professionalism and efficiency so that social enterprise can have competitiveness.”

CONCEPTS ET DÉFINITIONS
Concepts and definitions / Conceptos y definiciones

Social Entrepreneurship and Enterprise (Book)
Abstract excerpted from the URL cited above: “Social Entrepreneurship and Enterprise: Concepts in Context would be of interest to anyone working in the fields of social science, marketing, management, and development studies, in addition to those concerned with accounting, design and communications. It would also make an excellent postgraduate resource for students from all disciplines.”

AUTRES
Other / Otros

"Making Money is not an End in Itself": Creating Meaningfulness Among Employees of Social Enterprises
Abstract excerpted from the URL cited above: “The different experiences, motivations and negotiations associated with the social and profit-making dimensions of money are of central concern to the employees of social enterprises. These negotiations become apparent because the social dimension plays a primary role within such organizations. Consequently, it is very important for employees that a balance should be achieved between the two. The meaningfulness of what social enterprises do in expression of their social relations introduces a broader discussion of employees as actors who are embedded within and act across several dimensions and traditions.”

Motivations of Social Entrepreneurs: Blurring the Social Contribution and Profits Dichotomy
Abstract excerpted from the URL cited above: “The aim of this study is to empirically investigate the additional motives, aside from the social interests that motivate social entrepreneurs. This paper does so by using an inductive approach and specifically carrying out a re-examination of two pieces of research examining social entrepreneurship that were carried out independently by the two researchers in South Africa and Ireland. The method used for the paper is a content analysis. Research using qualitative content analysis focuses on the characteristics of language, talk, conversation (Sarantakos, 2005) with attention paid to the content or contextual meaning of the text. Thus, a qualitative content analysis is concerned with an examination of the uses of language. According to Downe-Wamboldt (1992, p.314) the aim of content analysis is "to provide knowledge and understanding of the phenomenon under study". The findings indicate that the informants do have additional motivations with respect to their business ventures including lifestyle motives, receiving acknowledgement and generating profit. Few published papers investigate the motives of social entrepreneurs and explore if there are indeed any additional motivations aside from community interests. The results in this study identify that indeed social entrepreneurs are motivated by an array of motivations. The motivations we discovered in our research illustrates an individual who is mutually concerned with their communities, the environments in which they live in, lifestyle interests, acknowledgement and profit which may suggest that such community contributions could be sustained over time.”
Why do Private Non-Profit Organizations Provide Information on the Internet?


Abstract excerpted from the URL cited above: “This research measures information provision on the internet by private non-profit organizations (NPOs) and provides insight in underlying drivers. This research involves scoring websites of Belgian NPOs on the basis of their information dissemination and applies univariate and multivariate statistical methods to analyse driving forces. It also provides two illustrating case studies. The drivers of internet information provision in our sample organizations show many similarities to those found for for-profit corporations. However, contrary to the latter, NPOs include little financial information and focus on their goals. Furthermore, in line with the notion that insiders-workers may capture the organization, we find that the degree of professionalization has a significantly negative impact on disclosure. Overall, outside pressures as predicted by neo-institutional theory and agency issues are important in shaping communication of information. In fact the two cases indicate that the pressures as predicted by neo-institutional theory may easily lead NPOs to cater to key stakeholders in much the same way as for-profit corporations cater to customers. The results are indicative of general forces driving NPO behaviour. Of interest would be a more in depth analysis to link the prevalence of certain forces to specific governance models and to contextual factors. These findings may give users/visitors of websites better insight into the forces shaping information communication policies of an NPO. This paper adds to the scant evidence on internet information provision by private non-profit organizations and its drivers. As such it offers an opportunity to study the forces that are likely shaping decision making within NPOs.”

NUMÉROS SPÉCIAUX

Special Issues / Ediciones especiales

Innovación para emprendimientos en turismo, para promoción de cooperativas y para políticas públicas hacia la inclusión social

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VARIA

Guía de Financiación Europea para Programas Sociales 2014-2020
Plataforma de ONG de Acción Social, II Plan Estratégico del Tercer Sector Social, 2013.

Resumen proveniente del artículo: “Esta guía pretende facilitar el camino a las organizaciones de la sociedad civil y a las ONG de acción social ofreciéndoles propuestas que permitan la financiación de su acción, consiguiendo autonomía e independencia en sus modelos de trabajo, y al mismo tiempo contribuir a la difícil situación a la que se enfrentan en este momento las entidades no lucrativas. […] La Guía de financiación europea. Programas sociales 2014-2020 propone un enfoque práctico que facilite la comprensión de los programas y su funcionamiento y que estimule a las personas responsables y con capacidades técnicas de las ONG a la participación en convocatorias europeas.”

Contribution à l’analyse des modèles socio-économiques associatifs - Typologie des modèles de ressources financières
CPCA. AVISE, Janvier 2014.

Résumé issu du l’URL ci-haut : « La typologie des modèles économiques des associations présentée ici a pour objectif d’aider chaque association à se repérer dans son écosystème pour mieux identifier les leviers à actionner pour consolider son modèle économique. »
For an Economy of Trust in Europe: the Contribution of the Social and Solidarity Economy
Confrontations Europe. L’Option, number 33, January 2014.

Abstract excerpted from the URL cited above: “At European level, the very magnitude of the current transformations means that we must do away with ready-made solutions and rehabilitate the numerous hybrid economic forms considered until now derogatory vis-à-vis the State or the market. One such form is the social and solidarity economy: it employs more than 14 million employees throughout the EU and is present in every Member State. The atypical aspect of the solidarity-based economy should not be perceived as a weakness, but as a prerequisite for setting up socio-economic innovations and renewing the democratic public space. It is an essential condition for re-establishing trust in productive and consumption activities. It is also the reflection of a major societal movement, whose pulse beats to the rhythm of digital, energy and demographic change. And it is the guarantee of a genuine policy of economic plurality, built up by citizens to serve their collective future. Democratisation of the economic sphere is essential to increasing political democracy: such is the practical and theoretical challenge that this special edition of L’Option by Confrontations Europe aims to address. Bilingual and divided into four parts (“pointers and explanations”, “debates and standpoints”, “anthropological perspectives”, “as a way of conclusion”), this document is the result of intense dialogue between academics specialised in, and social actors of, the solidarity-based economy. Its authors are: Nicole Alix, Jean-Louis Bancel, Jean-Claude Barbier, Bernard Bazillon, Hervé Bompard-Eidelman, Philippe Chabasse, Jacques Defourny, Pascale Delille, Bruno Drevet, Hugues Feltesse, Benoît Hamon, Jean-Louis Laville, Alain Lipietz, Jacques-François Marchandise, Mathieu de Nanteuil, Marthe Nyssens, Nathalie Parent, Arielle Pieroni-Garcia, Claire Roumet, Bastien Sibille, Frédéric Sultan, and Emmanuel Verner.”

International Financial Reporting for the Not-For-Profit Sector
CCAB. Final Report, February 2014.

Abstract excerpted from the URL cited above: “This study was carried out by a team from Sheffield Hallam University and the University of Dundee with the support of the other institutions listed on the cover page. It aimed to provide a better understanding of financial reporting practices in the not-for-profit sector worldwide and to provide a body of evidence to determine whether a need exists to develop international financial reporting standards for NPOs. The focus throughout the study was on NPOs defined as organisations that were: constituted on a not-for-profit basis; self-governing; and established for public benefit. The study was designed in two stages. First, an extensive literature review was undertaken to identify specific financial reporting issues in the not-for-profit sector internationally. Second, an online survey was developed and distributed globally, to: NPO staff and trustees; accountants and auditors; regulators; standard setters; funders; and users, to seek a wide range of opinions regarding their understanding of financial reporting in the not-for-profit sector.”

ACTES DE COLLOQUES
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Potential and Limits of Social and Solidarity Economy
International Symposium organized by the United nations Research Institute for Social Development, at the International Labour Office in Geneva, Switzerland, on May 6th to 8th, 2013. Papers, presentations and podcasts are available at:

**ACTIVITÉS DE RECHERCHE ET DE FORMATION**

*Research and formation activities / Actividades de investigación y formación*

→ **Séminaire doctoral ESS**. Matinée doctorale organisée dans le cadre des XIVe rencontres du RUIESS. 20 - 21 mai 2014, à Lille, France. Date limite pour soumission : **07 mai 2014**.

→ **Campus coopérative, école internationale d’été des jeunes créateurs de coopératives**. Organisé par L’Union Régionale des Scop de Poitou-Charentes. 30 juin au 12 juillet 2014, à Poitiers, France. Date limite pour soumission : **15 mai 2014**. (**RAPPEL**)

→ **Co-operative enterprise law. Summer course organized by the Ruralia Institute of the University of Helsinki through its Coop Network Studies Program**. August 5th to 21st, in Helsinki, Sweden. Deadline for submission: **July 31st, 2014**.

**APPELS À CONTRIBUTIONS**

*Calls for contributions/ Convocatorias de artículos*

→ **Innovations sociales, innovations économiques**. 34e Journées de l’Association d’économie sociale (l’AES). 11 et 12 septembre 2014, France. Date limite pour soumissions : **30 avril 2014**. (**RECALL**)


→ **Social Entrepreneurship**. Special issue of the Journal Management & Marketing. Deadline for submission: **May 1st, 2014**.


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→ **Knowledge Management in the Not-for-Profit Sector**. Special issue call for papers from the Journal of Knowledge Management. Deadline for submission: **December 21st, 2014**.

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→ 11th Annual West Coast Nonprofit Data Conference. Annual gathering of faculty, graduate students, and scholars who study aspects of the nonprofit sector. May 25th and 26th. Los Angeles (CA), USA.


→ Rouen et sa région: un berceau de l’ESS? Colloque international d’histoire. 2 et 3 octobre 2014. Rouen, France. (RECALL)

→ 2e édition du Sommet international des coopératives. Organisé par le Mouvement Desjardins et l’Alliance coopérative internationale (ACI). 6 - 9 octobre 2014. Ville de Québec (QC), Canada. (RECALL)


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