



Contributing to the improvement and continuity of investment in social innovation.

The DG for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion of the European Commission is immersed in the evaluation of the Program for Employment and Social Innovation, EaSI.

In this sense, the DG of Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion itself contacted the Management of Social Services of Castilla y León, to request our collaboration, as it is the coordinating entity of two projects financed by the EaSI Program: the PACT project and RuralCare project.

From the Management of Social Services of Castilla y León we are participating in a double sense:

On the one hand, the projects financed in the last seven calls for aid aimed at social experimentation initiatives are being analyzed. The purpose of the evaluation is to prepare a study in which the underlying factors or those that hinder the development and mainstreaming of social innovations and / or experimentations will be identified. In this regard, we conducted an in-depth survey and interview in the preceding months.

On the other hand, at this time the DG for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion is proceeding with the development of a practical guide on social innovation, both to better define what characterizes social innovation, and to strengthen the expansion and transferability of social innovation. Project results with the support of ESF +. The guide will be aimed primarily at both project promoters interested in preparing and carrying out innovation and policy experimentation, as well as applicants for future EaSI calls at EU level, as well as for ESF + calls on innovation. Social. Developed on the basis of the results of the evaluation of the calls, it will also be based on the results of a co-creation process involving project promoters, policy makers and funders (in particular ESF managing authorities).

In this process, the Management of Social Services of Castilla y León has participated in an evaluation survey and will participate in the workshop "Co-creation of a methodological guide for Social Innovation" contributing its vision and experience, which will be held on November 10.

The Employment and Social Innovation (EaSI) program supports organizations from the European Union and other European countries participating in the program. The degree of participation varies from country to country and from call for proposals to call for proposals. In the 2014-2018 period, all 31 EaSI calls for action grant proposals (excluding six operating grant calls for proposals) had the participation of organizations from all beneficiary countries. Some as project leaders (beneficiaries), others as partners (co-beneficiaries) or as partner organizations.

