



WORK OFFER (EUROPE) – **PROJECT MANAGER** TO SUPPORT THE RIPESS NETWORK IN THE PROCESS OF CONVERGENCES OF THE 2020 BARCELONA WORLD SOCIAL FORUM OF TRANSFORMATIVE ECONOMIES (2020 WSF TE)

RIPESS is a worldwide network of continental networks committed to the promotion of social and solidarity economy. RIPESS member networks (Latin America and the Caribbean, North America, Europe, Africa, Asia and Oceania) bring together national and sectoral networks, thus ensuring a strong territorial anchorage. Its reach, both global and local, gives it the legitimacy to promote SSE, foster intercontinental cooperation and influence policies at different levels.

RIPESS believes in the importance of the globalisation of solidarity in order to build and strengthen an economy that puts people and the world at the centre. From Lima (1997) to Quebec (2001), from Dakar (2005) to Luxembourg (2009) as well as Manila (2013), RIPESS has been organizing SSE world forums every four years so as to create a bond for learning, information exchange and collaboration. In its 2018-2020 strategic plan, considering the international panorama, it is proposed from now on to focus on international meetings convergence orientations with other movements that share transformative visions.

Context of the offer

From RIPESS Europe and RIPESS Intercontinental has emerged the idea (during the 2016 WSF in Montreal) to organize a Thematic World Social Forum of "transformative economies" for 2020 in Barcelona (<https://transformadora.org/en>). This perspective opened up a two-year process in which the aim is to promote the acceleration of convergence dynamics between movements and networks offering alternatives and transformative solutions with a transformative vision (such as agroecological, feminist, commons, solidarity economy and cooperative (...) movements/ networks).

The first year of the process driven mostly by the SSE movement through RIPESS, RIPESS Europe and its Spanish (REAS) and Catalan (XES) members, has led to a first preparatory meeting in April 2019 in Barcelona. In July 2019 a meeting of international networks/movements of transformative economies has allowed the creation of an extended coordination committee integrating more geographical and thematic diversity of networks/movements. In a context in which RIPESS represents one of the most committed networks within this diversity and its particular international composition, and besides the fact that many more activities and actions deriving from the planning, organization, realization, conclusion and follow-up of the WSF TE have emerged, **there is a need for RIPESS to animate its own dynamics within its network, beyond the follow-up of the new coordination committee and the different commissions in collaboration with the other movements and networks involved.**

In this situation, the RIPESS delegates in the process need a person in charge of coordinating the implementation of the forum process among the network, by promoting the transfer of information between the various decision-making and organisational bodies. This person will be responsible for ensuring that the inputs of RIPESS and its members actively contribute to the preparation of the 2020 meeting, according to RIPESS strategy in the WSF TE process.

MAIN TASKS:

Under the responsibility of the RIPESS Coordinator and the Executive Secretariat (and in coordination with RIPESS delegates to the WSF TE), she/he will perform the following functions:

- Implement and follow up the decisions of the WSF TE Coordination Committee, among other in coordination with the WSF TE technical team,
- Participate and contribute to the different WSF TE commissions on behalf of RIPESS, and support the RIPESS delegates in this regard.
- Keep the RIPESS Board regularly informed on the progress of the WSF TE activities corresponding to the responsibilities of RIPESS.
- Prepare, organize and follow up the WSF TE-RIPESS Committee virtual meetings involving the RIPESS delegates from different continents.
- Dynamization within RIPESS of the elaboration / contribution of contents according to the strategy of the RIPESS work plan, in relation to RIPESS axes and working groups.
- Give support to continental members in their own WSF TE and convergence strategy in coherence with the Intercontinental Ripess WSF TE strategy, as well as for the fund mobilization to attend.
- Support the work of the coordination team in building alliances with other organizations/networks involved in the process.
- Coordinate and accompany the attendance of the RIPESS delegates to the WSF TE Forum in Barcelona in June 2020, including: selection, invitations, arrival, preparation and reception, as well as the perspective of parallel meetings to be foreseen.
- Together with the RIPESS communication manager, prepare and spread information about the progress of the WSF TE.

SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCES:

- International profile with fluency in the following languages (spoken and written): French, English, Spanish
- Work experience in / with international networks, and related strategic vision
- At least 3 to 5 years project management experience
- Knowledge of SSE
- Remote teamwork
- Network facilitation and animation experience
- Knowledge in communication and use of online tools incl. social networks, virtual platforms, etc.
- Autonomy and organization in your work

WHAT WE OFFER:

- Part-time (flexible schedules, approx. 20h) – for 1 year
- Place: Autonomous - in Europe, preferably Barcelona/Spain, Italy, or France - possibility to work in a member's office (Rome) - with some travels, mainly to Barcelona.
- Incorporation mid-November
- Remuneration to be negotiated
- Numerous contacts in the SSE field and other international movements/networks

Deadline: 8th of November, 2019

>> Send applications IN SPANISH and ENGLISH with CV and motivation letter to info@ripess.org