



Project

“Entrepreneurship in rural tourism sector for youth with disabilities/ ERTSYD “

Social farm in Poland

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Care farm experiences in Poland

In the past few years the idea of social farming had been introduced in Poland.

In spite of being a new concept there is a broad range of different practices that combine agriculture with professional social services for a long time. There are the initiatives of private entities or charity, church or non-governmental organizations.



Care farms in Tuchola region

- ❑ Kuyavian-Pomeranian Agricultural Advisory Centre (KPODR) has undertaken activities related to the reorientation of farmworkers and their family members since 2008.
- ❑ Direct inspiration of actions for developing care farms in the region, were attempts of this type of activity undertaken in 2002-2004 in Podkarpacie and Lubelszczyzna region.
- ❑ In 2013 KPODR Minikowo began talks with the owners of agritourism farms from the area of Tuchola Forest affiliated to the Association of Agrotouristic Farms "Tuchola Forest" about the possibility of extending their activities with caring functions.



Care farms in Tuchola region

- ❑ Farmers in Tuchola Forest attempt to create care farms, in some cases very advanced, because already they take the first charges.
- ❑ They could be treated as models possible to implement in the existing legal status in Poland. Care farms in the Tuchola Forest are the experiment and basis to create other solutions, the implementation of social agriculture in the Kuyavian-Pomeranian region and in Poland.



Care farms in Tuchola region

- ❑ For many agritouristic farms this direction of specialization may become in the future a real opportunity for development, while acting as an alternative form of care for the growing multitude of older people requiring support.
- ❑ The temporary project (2016-2018) concerns the creation and functioning of 15 nursing homes providing care to 75 people , 8 hours. Daily, 5 days a week.



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THERAPY FARMS – Farm of Life

- ❑ The Farm of Life, located in a small village near Krakow, has been developed by the Community of Hope Foundation, a non-governmental organization focused on the problems of adults with autism since 1998.
- ❑ It is the pioneer and the only residential centre for adults with autism in Poland to date.



THERAPY FARMS – Farm of Life

- ❑ In this Social Enterprise adult autistic people are employed. This enterprise is aimed at picking fruits and vegetables and afterwards selling those products gathered on their ecological farm as well as selling their own preserves. Both packages and labels are going to be produced for mentioned products.
- ❑ Employers on Farm of Life are working on Ecological farm as well as in workshops: household (at the same time food processing plant) and production of packages.

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PSHO Polish Donkey Breeders Association for the Development of Breeding and Onotherapy

- ❑ Association is a group of people from all over Poland.
- ❑ Onotherapy - donkey therapy - refers to a technique that uses the special character of donkeys in therapy. Thanks to donkey's calm and confident temperament, hyperactive people or with behavioral or emotional problems manage to establish a form of "dialogue" and relationship which would otherwise remain inaccessible.



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The association works, among others, for:

- popularizing the idea of breeding and onotherapy in society,
- undertaking activities for the promotion and development of onotherapy in Poland,
- actions for the development of tourism, agritourism, development and strengthening of attitudes aimed at active spending of free time, eg. through donkey trips, sports activities with donkeys, onotherapy.
- At the moment there are six farms breeding donkeys and mules under patronage of PSHO. In 2017 started the first professional onotherapy course in Poland "Fundamentals of Onotherapy".



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