

## FORMAT for CASE COLLECTION (WP2)

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*SECTION 1 (cover page): Introduction (in English)*

### **Name of the Case**

**Neos**

### **Abstract**

Social Cooperative NEOS comes from two Croatian words- NE (no) and OVISNOST (addiction). It was established in order to help people in resolving existential life issues and responding to the great unemployment of rehabilitated addicts who often face many prejudices in their lives and, among other things, reduce the degree of recidivism to addiction. All activities have arisen from the need to recruit rehabilitated addicts. Services that NEOS provides are digital press, laser engraving and cutting (making business gifts, souvenirs...), carpentry, maintenance of green areas and canals, human and goods transport services and moving services. All members of the NEOS have finished rehabilitation program for substance abuse and are abstaining.

### **Website**

<http://ne-ovisnost.hr/>

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*SECTION 2: Case description*

## **Neos**

### **Objectives**

The objective here is to include ex-addicts in normal working and life processes and to successfully re-socialize them through the development of social entrepreneurship / cooperatives.

### **Clients, audience**

Ex addicts, work market, society.

### **Position along the SI Spiral**

One of the following:

The case is located on Deliver & implement as it is in the stage where initial ideas actually are everyday practice for organization and are a part of financial success.

### **Relationship with HEI(s) (High Education Insitutions)**

So far there is no connection as it has not been identified as necessary or in line with any of our programs. However, the cooperation could be as having this organization as outside partner who presents their case on our Elective course.

### **Finance model and resources**

Donations, EU and state funded projects, donations, work

## Methodology

Workshops, education seminars, psycho-sociological support, counseling

## Products, results

People in disadvantaged situations are being supported and helped to restore functional life.

## Impact and results

Activities from NEOS has contributed positively to solving misconceptions and prejudice and stereotypes society has about addicts as solely destructive people and included them in work market. Other activities like project NEOS had (I am clean 2007) aimed to prevent addiction at high schools level, and in various manifestations with music and information-education program were held.

## Overall impact

This SI supports people who battled addiction, unemployed, overall society.

## Images





<http://ne-ovisnost.hr/>

## Other resources

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