CIRIEC-España was founded as an association in 1986 and currently has more than 300 members, consisting of natural and legal persons. Some of its members include leading academics in public, social and cooperative economics, as well as representatives from social economy associations, federations and confederations in Spain.

CIRIEC-España's main office is at the University of Valencia.

Scientific journals

Between January 2020 and March 2022, CIRIEC-España published 6 issues of the journal *CIRIEC-España, Revista de economía pública, social y cooperativa* (CIRIEC-España, Journal of Public, Social and Cooperative Economics) presenting about 65 articles on issues related to CIRIEC's research areas. CIRIEC-España's journal has become one of the most prestigious economics journals in Spanish. Nowadays, this journal is considered a "must-read" for researchers, managers and specialists in its scope. It is also peer-reviewed and indexed in the following databases: ESCI, SCOPUS, ECONLIT, FECYT, CATÁLOGO LATINDEX, IN-RECS, IBSS, AEDEM BIBLIOMÉTRICA, AERES, EBSCO, DOAJ, REPEC, ULRICH'S, CARHUS PLUS+, CAB ABSTRACTS, AGRIS, REDALYC, ISOC, DIALNET, CITAEDEM, COMPLUDOC, ICALI, CIRIEC International, CIDEC and GOOGLE SCHOLAR.

In the last two years, CIRIEC-España also published issues 36-39 of the *Revista Jurídica de Economía Social y Cooperativa* (Legal Journal of Social and Cooperative Economics). A biannual journal since 2015, it has been published since 1990 and is the most important journal on Cooperative Law and Social Economics published in the Spanish language.

After a period without print edition, the journal *Noticias de la Economía Pública, Social y Cooperativa* (News of the Public, Social and Cooperative Economy) most popularly known as *Noticias del* CIDEC (CIDEC News) have been republished since 2018: six issues (63-68) have been published in 2020 and 2021, for the first time in a double edition, in Spanish and Valencian languages.

Other publications and researches

Since January 2020, CIRIEC-España has conducted several studies and reports, including the following:

• Book: *La economía social en la Comunitat Valenciana: regulación y políticas públicas* [The social economy in the Valencian Community: regulation and public policies], 2020.

- Book: Libro Blanco de la economía social y del tercer sector en la Comunidad Valenciana [White Paper on social economy and third sector in the Valencian Community], 2020.
- Study for the Valencian Government on the promotion of women's employment in the Valencian social economy, 2020.
- Study for the Valencian Government on corporate social responsibility and decent work, 2020.
- Book: *El empleo de la mujer en las cooperativas y sociedades laborales valencianas tras un año de crisis Covid-19* [The employment of women in Valencian cooperatives and labor companies after a year of Covid-19 crisis], 2021.
- Book: *Guía laboral de la Economía Social Valenciana* [Employment guide on Valencian Social Economy], extended and updated version, 2021.
- Study for the Valencian Government on valencian third sector and social responsibility, 2021.
- Study for the Valencian Government on instruments for the generation of employment in the Valencian social economy: incubators, shuttles and social accelerators, 2021.
- Study for the Valencian Government on socio-economic impact of cooperativism in the Valencian Community, updated to 2018 and 2019, (2020 & 2021).
- 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 yearbook of the social economy in the Valencian Community, for the Valencian Government (2020 & 2021).
- Book: *El cooperativismo valenciano y la responsabilidad social empresarial. 20 casos de cooperativas socialmente responsables* [Valencian cooperativism and corporate social responsibility. 20 cases of socially responsible cooperatives], 2021.
- Study for the Ministry of Labour and Social Economy "La Economía Social en España en cifras", 2021.

Social Economy News

CIRIEC-Spain and CIRIEC International launched at the end of 2020 the Electronic Bulletin of European Social Economy Information, "*Social Economy News*". Its mission is to facilitate access to and exchange of information on the activities of social economy enterprises and organizations, their representative organizations (with special reference to Social Economy Europe), the work and initiatives of scientific research groups in the field and the actions of European institutions and EU governments on the social economy, as well as other information considered relevant to the sector. Each edition of the Bulletin includes an opinion article by a leading figure in the social economy. The compilation of news from three main groups of information sources on the social economy: representative bodies, enterprises and organizations; research centers and public institutions, make "Social Economy News" a comprehensive newsletter, unique in the world. Each edition of the bulletin also includes an opinion article by a leading figure in the social economy. All this is reflected in an electronic bulletin with a modern and up-to-date design, which is also distributed in three languages: Spanish, English and French.

Spanish Social Economy Observatory

(www.observatorioeconomiasocial.es/)

CIRIEC-España's Spanish Social Economy Observatory has continued its activities over the last two years, improving its electronic journal *Boletín de Actualidad del Observatorio Español de la Economía Social* [Spanish Social Economy Observatory Bulletin], which publishes 42 issues a year. It also publishes monthly issues of the *Boletín Jurídico de la Economía Social* [Legal Social Economy Bulletin].

Ibero-American Employment and Social and Cooperative Economy Observatory (OIBESCOOP)

CIRIEC-España actively participates in the Ibero-American Employment and Social and Cooperative Economy Observatory (OIBESCOOP), which has entered a new stage centred on the association created in 2016 for such purpose. Its headquarters are in the University of Zaragoza and it is chaired by Professor Carmen Marcuello, vice-chair of CIRIEC-España. In 2017, OIBESCOOP reconnected with the network of specialists from each of the Ibero-American countries, expanding the network to include new experts. It has renewed its website and started to add new content. It also has everything in place to conduct reports on cooperativism and social economy in Latin America and email newsletters to subscribers.

Social Economy University Week

The 1st edition of the Social Economy University Week was held in February 2020, promoted by the ENUIES Network of CIRIEC-Spain, with a great success of participation and with the aim of publicising the intense activity and the results of research on the sector of cooperatives, workerowned companies, mutual societies, social enterprises and the third sector of social action in Spain. The second edition of this University Week was held in March 2021, with 127 activities in 26 universities. 134 activities, in 36 universities, made up the 3rd Social Economy University Week, from 21 to 31 March 2022.

18th Congress of Researchers in Social Economy (Mataró, 17-18 September 2020)

The 18th Congress was held in Mataró (Barcelona) on 17 and 18 September 2020 with the slogan "The Social Economy: a tool for the promotion of sustainable development and the reduction of inequalities". 115 papers

were presented and debated in 25 workshops in this Congress, for the first time celebrated in hybrid format.

30th CIDEC Anniversary celebration (19 November 2020)

CIRIEC-España organised a commemorative event to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of CIDEC on 19 November 2020. During the conference, the history and functioning of CIDEC was reviewed. CIDEC was promoted in 1990 by CIRIEC-España and the University of Valencia, and currently attached to IUDESCOOP and to CIRIEC-España. During all these years, the central mission of CIDEC has been to support research and training in social economy and cooperativism, providing specialized information and advice to researchers, teachers, professionals in the sector, students and other people interested in topics of social economy, as well as on employment issues, social services, public policies and rural tourism.

CIRIEC Awards for the Best Studies in Social Economy $(2^{nd} \text{ and } 3^{rd} \text{ edition})$

In 2019 CIRIEC-España announced the first CIRIEC Awards for the Best Studies in Social Economy carried out in the universities of the Valencian Community. The next editions of the awards, aimed at graduates and doctors who have passed their Final Degree Project (TFG), Master's Thesis (TFM) or Doctoral Thesis (TD), were held in 2020 and 2021. The research submitted must deal with subjects related to the social economy and related areas (cooperativism, third sector, associations, NGOs, etc.). The prizes have a total economic endowment of 6,000 euros.

Directory of Researchers of CIRIEC-España

In 2020, after two years of work, the Directory of Researchers of CIRIEC-España has been published. The current Directory is the first to be published online, taking advantage of information and communication technologies, which also allow the document to be alive and open. The data of 600 researchers in Social Economy from Spain along with numerous other countries have been successfully collected. The Directory also includes information on the university centers and institutes for research in Social Economy in Spain, the university-business chairs, and the REJIES Network, of Young Researchers in Social Economy.