

# Social Entrepreneurship in the Digital Age (XBR302)

#### WEEK 3, LECTURE 5

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### Diverse Forms of Social Enterprise

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MODULE 1: Social entrepreneurship and social enterprise as forces for change	
Week	Topics
1	Introduction to the unit Conceptualizing social entrepreneurship, social innovation and social enterprise
2	Hybridity and sustainable social impact Socio-political, economic, cultural and technological factors related to the growth of social entrepreneurship
3	Diverse forms of social enterprise Social entrepreneurship in the Tasmanian, Australian and global contexts Guest lectures (Tasmanian-based social entrepreneurs)
4	Understanding social issues/needs in your local community How social entrepreneurs develop innovative ideas

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## Social Enterprise...a recap

According to FASES, social enterprises are defined as organisations that:

- Are led by an economic, social, cultural, or environmental mission consistent with a public or community benefit
- Trade to fulfil their mission(s)
- Derive a substantial portion of income from trade, and

• Reinvests the majority of its profits/surplus in the fulfilment of its mission (Barraket et al. 2010, p.16)



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# Social Enterprise Motivations







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Businesses that provide employment, training and support for disadvantaged groups.



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Businesses that create or maintain products and/or services in response to social or economic needs in the community, not met by the market.



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### Social Enterprise Operational Models

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- Entrepreneur Support Model Market Intermediary Model :
- Employment Model
- Fee-for-service Model/Low Income Client as Market Model
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- Cooperative Model Market Linkage Model Service Subsidisation Model • •
- Organisational Support Model Mixed Model •

Alter, 2007

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### Take Home Messages

- Social enterprises are different to non-profit organisations, and profit-oriented businesses
- There are many different types of social enterprises
- One way to classify social enterprises is according to their motivation – whether that be employment generating, community need or profit redistribution
- Social enterprises may also be grouped according to model – see the reading for this week by Alter, 2007



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