



**Theme of the 6th edition of the Mont-Blanc Meetings
9-11 November 2013, Chamonix, France**

***Changing the course of globalization through social and solidarity economy!
Towards the post 2015 MDGs***

The 15 years allotted to achieve the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) are coming to an end. These goals had been set by the United Nations to reduce both extreme poverty and the disparities between a large number of very poor people and a minority of very rich. As from now, an assessment seems necessary, as well as a redefinition of these goals, taking into account the progress made, the shortcomings identified and the emerging new challenges.

In order to best address this pivotal year of 2015, scientific work is being conducted from today on. This is why the sixth Mont-Blanc Meetings will take place from 9-11 November 2013, in Chamonix, France, and will focus on the following subject: ***Changing the course of globalization through social and solidarity economy! Towards post 2015 MDGs***

This broad topic shall be approached in a transversal way, in order to cover all components of a sustainable human development, a concern which is at the heart of the social and solidarity economy (SSE) enterprises. This sixth edition of the Mont-Blanc Meetings will therefore include discussions, round tables and conferences focused on the following questions:

- Which new objectives should be defined to respond to the post-2015 Millennium challenges?
- Is there a redistribution of roles between States, local authorities, SSE enterprises and the traditional private sector?
- How do Civil Society Actors through the SSE, are getting prepared and organized to exercise together their empowerment, so their societal responsibility?
- Education: What content should be taught? How effective is the learning today? What measures should be adopted to improve the access to training?
- The Commons: is collective management a model for tomorrow?

Rooted in reality, the Mont-Blanc Meetings Forum is a privileged place to foster cross-border partnerships between social and solidarity economy enterprises.

The « **Project Place** » is a fertile ground for innovations, from which initiatives and international projects are emerging, all economically, socially and ecologically responsible.