

# THE WORLD CO-OPERATIVE MONITOR 2016 PRESENTED BY THE INTERNATIONAL COOPERATIVE ALLIANCE

The [International Cooperative Alliance ICA](#) published the 2016 edition of the [World Cooperative Monitor](#), the report on socio-economic impact of cooperatives at global level and in various Countries.



The report, realized in collaboration with the *European Research Institute on Cooperative and Social Enterprises - Euricse*, has been presented on October 2016 at the International Summit of Cooperatives in Quebec, Canada. The [International Summit of Cooperatives](#) is the world's leading event for business development in the cooperative and mutual community. By demonstrating that cooperatives are one answer to the major socioeconomic issues, the Summit aims to promote and foster the development of cooperative enterprises in all countries.

The World Co-operative Monitor is a project designed to collect economic, organisational, and social data about the top 300 co-operatives and an expanded number of co-operatives in order to represent the sector in its organisational, regional, and sectorial diversity. The main goal of the World Co-operative Monitor is to develop a multi-dimensional database reporting on the socio-economic value and impact of co-operatives both within a global scenario and in their regional and national contexts.

The International Co-operative Alliance (ICA) founded in 1895, is a non-governmental cooperative-union representing cooperatives and the co-operative movement worldwide. The ICA represents 272 co-operative federations and organizations from all sectors including agriculture and food industries, banking banking and financial services, consumer, fisheries, health and social care, housing, industry and utilities, insurance and workers. The Alliance has members from 100 countries, representing close to one billion individuals worldwide. The Alliance provides a global voice and forum for knowledge, expertise and coordinated action for and about co-operatives.

The Alliance also promotes the [global co-operative identity](#) inviting all co-operatives in more than 100 countries to use a .coop domain and the Co-operative Marque. [The Co-operative Marque](#) is the ethical badge



that cooperatives can use together with their own brand. The coop domain and Co-operative Marque are symbols of the global co-operative movement and collective identity.

The data of the report and the continued growth of the cooperative movement in the world show that cooperatives, born to respond to poverty conditions of workers, today can represent a typology of enterprise able to successfully compete on the new economic and social environment, for generating wealth and services while keeping its basic principles of solidarity and democratic participation.

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