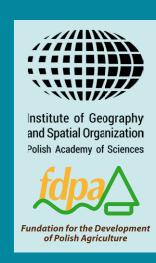


Mazowieckie voivodship, Szydłowiecki powiat

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Experiment Overview

Objective

- → To diagnose explore and evaluate the opportunity of using a local product to boost entrepreneurship, contributing to the transformation of the Radomski subregion and its place-making
- → To prescribe potential solutions.

Relevance

The experiment responds to the challenge, and builds on the opportunities identified.

Key innovation

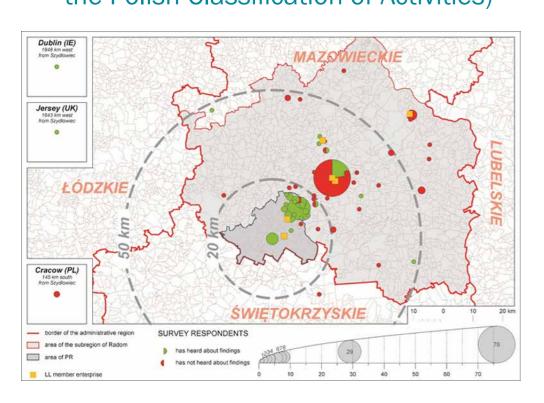
- → Local entrepreneurs test out local knowledge. The entrepreneurs willingly introduce new products or services
- → The experiment prioritizes the input and ideas of the local community. By involving residents in identifying solutions, it ensures that the resulting initiatives are directly aligned with community's ideas, fostering a sense of ownership and collaboration.
- → It involves co-creation: the experiment can innovate by facilitating a co-creation process where entrepreneurs and residents indirectly collaborate to develop and refine solutions
- → The process fosters innovation by enabling entrepreneurs to experiment, learn, and refine their approaches quickly in response to changing circumstances or emerging insights

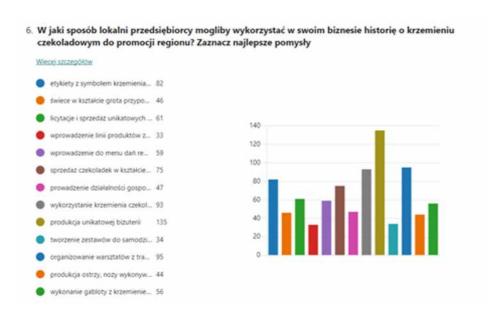
Experiment Progress

Based on ideas chosen by residents, and the experience from stakeholder workshops, a group of six local entrepreneurs representing different branches has been engaged in implementing various business boosters.

Methods and tools used:

- → Survey with residents on the use of chocolate flint and other natural resources
- → Survey with local NGOs on territorial capital and funding
- → Collection of data on registered business entities in the Radomski subregion
- → Mapping the location of businesses by branch (experiment relevant branches as indicated by survey respondents among matching branches according to the Polish Classification of Activities)





Learning

- → Entrepreneurs learn how to use the local product
- → Entrepreneurs learn to collaborate while using the local product
- → Entrepreneurs co-create the Radomskie subregion businesses' map
- → In a long-term perspective the subregion gains a new and specific identity that replaces the existing one

"dull and unspecific" (as seen by both residents and non-residents). "a problem area" (as identified by the Strategy of the Mazowieckie voivodship).

Reflections

- → The survey got over 200 responses
- → Almost all entrepreneurs asked have taken up the experiment challenge
- → Not all entrepreneurs are monitoring the effects of the experiment
- → Paraphrasing Carl Jung, working with few entrepreneurs who show engagement is worth more than working with plenty of entrepreneurs who don't

Next steps

- → Use Maptionnaire to feed elaborated Google maps
- → Engage entrepreneurs in uploading information on their businesses
- → Wrapping up the actions taken by the businesses (collective in-depth interview; site visits, analysis of sharing activities, etc.)

Plans for 2025:

Translate the experiment results into long-term policy.

Our findings:

- → The residents are aware of the potential that the local product can offer in boosting local entrepreneurship
- → NGOs and entrepreneurs find that the Radomski subregion can profit from its identification with the local product
- → There is a multitude of businesses that could use the local product











