SOCIAL INCLUSION
AND ACTIVATION REFORMS
IN POLAND

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POVERTY AND SOCIAL EXCLUSION IN POLAND
PROSPECTS FOR THE POVERTY IN POLAND SEEM TO BE ROSY...

Source: Bukowski, Buchholtz (2013)
BUT 15% OF THE POPULATION CANNOT MEET THEIR BASIC NEEDS

Source: Bukowski, Buchholtz (2013)
LIVING STANDARDS OF THE POOREST REMIND OF THE 19TH CENTURY

Source: Bukowski, Buchholtz (2013)
FINANCIAL STRATEGIES ARE UNLIKELY TO BE SUCCESSFUL

Source: Bukowski, Buchholtz (2013)
THE LOCAL LANDSCAPE
PSIA PILOT LOCATION

pilot location: Przyłęcz

mazowieckie voivodship

rural gmina with 6,5K inhabitants

deedualization in progress

passive under PARSP

interviews with local authorities, labor office representatives, social support center representatives and clients
THE VALUE OF WORK

- Social support, seasonal jobs, and work in the grey economy are the only sources of income.
- The reason for poverty and despair is lack of workplaces.
- Work can be performed only when it pays off.
THE ALGORITHM OF JOB MATCHING

- acquaintances
- negative selection of vacancies in PLOs
- own efforts might be fruitless
SERVICES OF NGOS

- limited knowledge sharing
- difficult cooperation
- competition for funds
THE EFFICIENCY OF THE LM SUPPORT

- Social insurance as core reason for the status of unemployed
- Targets’ no-blame policy
- Random support
THE PROBLEM OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Family breakdown is the worst-case scenario regardless of reasons.

Lack of jobs leads to pathology.

Keeping problems private.

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7 locations left

rural vs. mixed gminas
active vs. passive
various socio-economic problems
(deindustrialization, mining sector restructuring, fragmentation of farming, collapse of large state farms, depopulation, euro-orphanhood) vs. over-performers