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A first step towards the adoption of a set of measures for the social reuse of confiscated assets in France.

A first step has been taken with the commitment made by Valérie Fourneyron, secretary of state for social and solidarity economy, during the discussion of the bill on "Social and Solidarity Economy" (SSE) by the French National Assembly.

With a view to have more time for measuring impact and defining the framework, the rapporteur, Yves Blein, expressed the wish to deepen reflection and find appropriate follow-up whereas Valérie Fourneyron proposed to resume under a Finance Act the examination of such a set of measures for social reuse of confiscated properties. This was meant to compensate the dropping of the amendment MP Jean-René Marsac, President of the SSE Intergroup in the National Assembly, had presented in this direction.

The initial goal fixed together with the conference of business groups in the social economy (CEGES) has been reached. The aim was about recognizing the validity of such a set of measures and obtaining the official seizing of the subject by national representation and government. With the agreement to pursue the process and find the appropriate framework, the first step is now achieved.

The text of the amendment merely stated a principle. Therefore an important work remains to be done in the coming months to give birth to an operational set of measures that allows its adoption by the Parliament within a reasonable period.

As pointed out in conclusion by Jean-René Marsac: "This is an innovation that requires several steps. The first was tonight and I hope others follow".

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