



Approches Coopératives, the Cooperative World Magazine

Presentation of APAC Association for the Promotion of Cooperatives Approaches

i. Introduction

The Association for the Promotion of Cooperative Approaches (APAC) is a non-profit organization founded on a strong conviction: cooperation has proven its value for centuries and remains the best path forward for the prosperity of humanity.

It operates within the field of non-formal education and cooperative culture, drawing on the values of mutual aid, responsibility, democracy, equity, solidarity, and accountability.

APAC serves as a space for analysis, reflection, and dissemination of cooperative practices rooted in cultural diversity.

Its mission is to connect grassroots experiences with broader societal challenges by fostering dialogue among associative, educational, economic, and cultural actors, whether public or private.

At the heart of its work is the quarterly digital review *Approches Coopératives*, an international platform for sharing experiences, analyses, and resources on cooperative dynamics.



2. Vision and values

A humanistic and cooperative vision

APAC promotes a worldview based on convivance—the ability of human communities to live together in respect, solidarity, and social justice.

It advocates for a society where shared governance and partnership replace competition and individualism.

Foundational values

APAC's work is grounded in three pillars::

Domains	Key Values	Objective
Coopérative	Mutual aid, responsibility, democracy, equity, autonomy, solidarity.	Promote cooperation as a driver of human and social development
Associative	Equality, participation, transparency, commitment.	Strengthen social bonds and active citizenship
Popular education	Empowerment, justice, shared culture.	Contribute to social transformation thought kwonweldge and dialogue

These values guide all of the association's actions and inspire its publications.

3. An International Review Serving Cooperation

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The quarterly review *Approches Coopératives* is the core of APAC's mission.. Each issue explores a specific theme:

- education
- governance
- solidarity
- cooperative management
- citizen participation...

Its content combines experience-based narratives, analyses, interviews, methodological dossiers, and literary creations.

The review is published in French and English, with special issues in Spanish.

It is freely accessible online and distributed internationally to associations, institutions, researchers, educators, development actors, and engaged citizens.

A growing digital library

APAC continuously expands its library of digital books and brochures dedicated to cooperative practices.

These publications offer analytical and practical tools for organizations wishing to integrate cooperative principles into their work.

4. Organization and Gouvernance

A collaborative structure

APAC operates through cooperative circles coordinated by an Executive Committee:

- **Production Circle** : design and publication of the review and other materials
- **Marketing Circle** : communication, dissemination, and promotion
- **Resources Circle** : partnerships, tools, and international network management

Each circle acts autonomously while contributing to a shared collective dynamic.



A Democratic Gouvernance

The association ensures transparent and participatory functioning: every member is invited to contribute to strategic orientations, monitor implementation, and participate in the life of the organization.

This governance embodies the values APAC promotes : cooperation, responsibility, and trust.

5. Impact and outreach

Educational, social, and cultural impact

Through its publications and exchanges, APAC contributes to :

- spreading cooperative practices in educational, associative, and professional environments
- strengthening a culture of dialogue and participation
- encouraging solidarity and social justice
- promoting international cooperation and mutual understanding

An international network

APAC brings together individuals and organizations from various countries who share a common goal: advancing cooperation as a principle of action and social transformation.

This network forms a cooperative think tank where research, publications, and knowledge sharing projects are developed.

6. Partnerships and Future Perspectives

A co-construction dynamic

APAC views partnerships as essential levers for amplifying its impact.

It invites institutions, foundations, and public or private actors to collaborate through:

- co production of content and publications
- support for international dissemination of the review
- participation in editorial or research projects on cooperation
- support for the development of the digital library and special issues

What partners gain

Partnering with APAC means:

- contributing to the promotion of a global cooperative culture
- strengthening the social and educational impact of their actions
- benefiting from international visibility within a committed network
- participating in a humanistic and sustainable initiative

7. Conclusion

APAC is now a key actor in the dissemination of cooperative approaches.

Through its review, publications, and network, it works toward building a more supportive, just, and participatory world.

Supporting APAC means:

- investing in cooperation as a driver of social transformation
- contributing to an initiative that connects knowledge, practices, and people
- helping cooperation thrive for a shared future



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