

Cooperatives

- A form of partnership whereby the business is owned and run by all the members. They can have more than twenty members, however.
- The priority is not to make a profit but to sell products as close to cost price as possible.
- Risk of failing if they do not make a profit, so they typically do aim to make profit, but it's not their most important aim

Micro Finance Provider

- Inspired by Muhammad Yunis, founder of the Grameen Bank in Bangladesh in the 1980's
- Provide small amounts of finance to those who typically would not have access to it
- Helps those in need to gain economic independence
- Can lead to very poor ending in debt. Also, there is some evidence that most people's lives do not change

Public Private Partnerships

- A business created between a private sector business and the public sector
- Typically involves the creation of a facility with a social aim
- The public sector usually provides the finance and the business provides the expertise, e.g. the Swedish company Skanska helped build the channel tunnel

Not-for-profit social enterprises

Charities

- Profits are not generated
- Donations are important
- There is unclear ownership and control
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