SUMMARY

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Des patrons militants aux militants du patronat ?

Our aim in this paper is to present the first results of a research project, conducted through a regional grant, on labor relations in the French Third sector (Economie Sociale et Solidaire). Based on interviews (N=40) and document analysis, the research points out how this sector gets structured and professionalized (on the side of the « employer fonction » especially). We'll insist more specifically on the relations created between this sector and political organisations, wether on the level of the leading managers organizations (CEGES) or on actor's careers ; many of them being members or former members of political organizations or trade unions.