An aerial photograph of a historic city, likely Gdansk, Poland, featuring a dense cluster of buildings with red-tiled roofs and a river in the foreground. The image is split diagonally, with the top-left portion being dark and the bottom-right portion showing the actual city scene under a sunset sky. The text is overlaid on the dark portion.

# Social Rental Agency: solution for social rental sector in Poland

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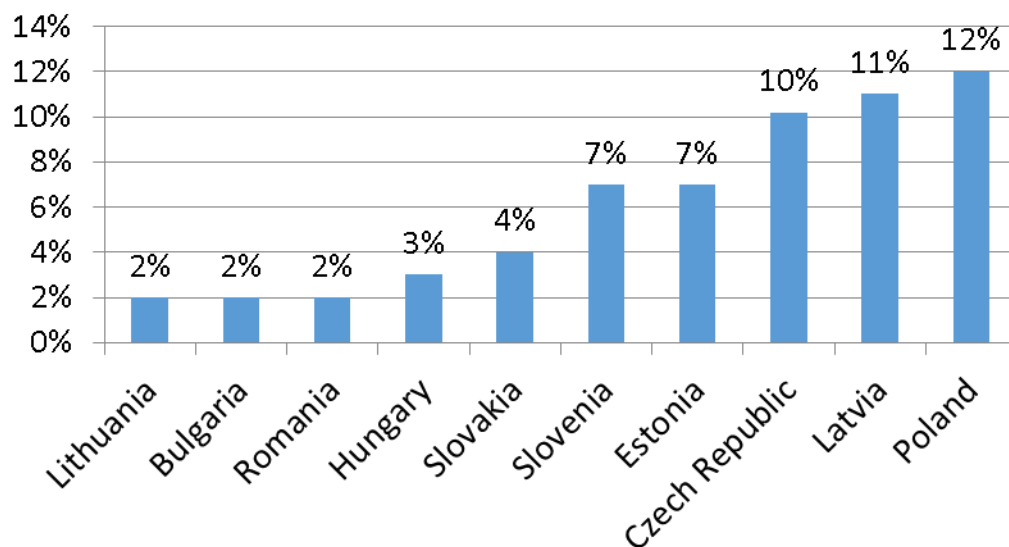
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# Public rental housing in Central and Eastern Europe

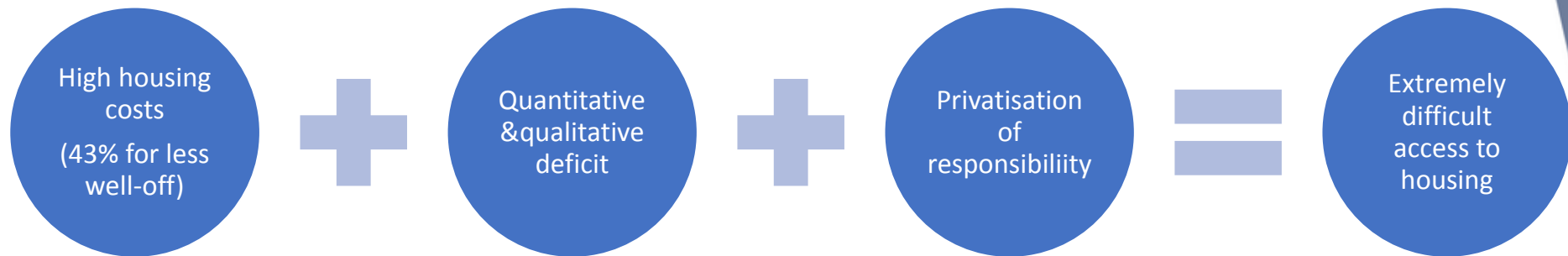
## Estimated % of social housing privatized between 1990 and 2006

Bulgaria	55%
Czech Republic	74%
Estonia	93%
Hungary	87%
Latvia	78%
Lithuania	96%
Poland	62%
Romania	93%
Slovakia	86%
Slovenia	90%

## Share of public rental in total housing stock (2006-2009)

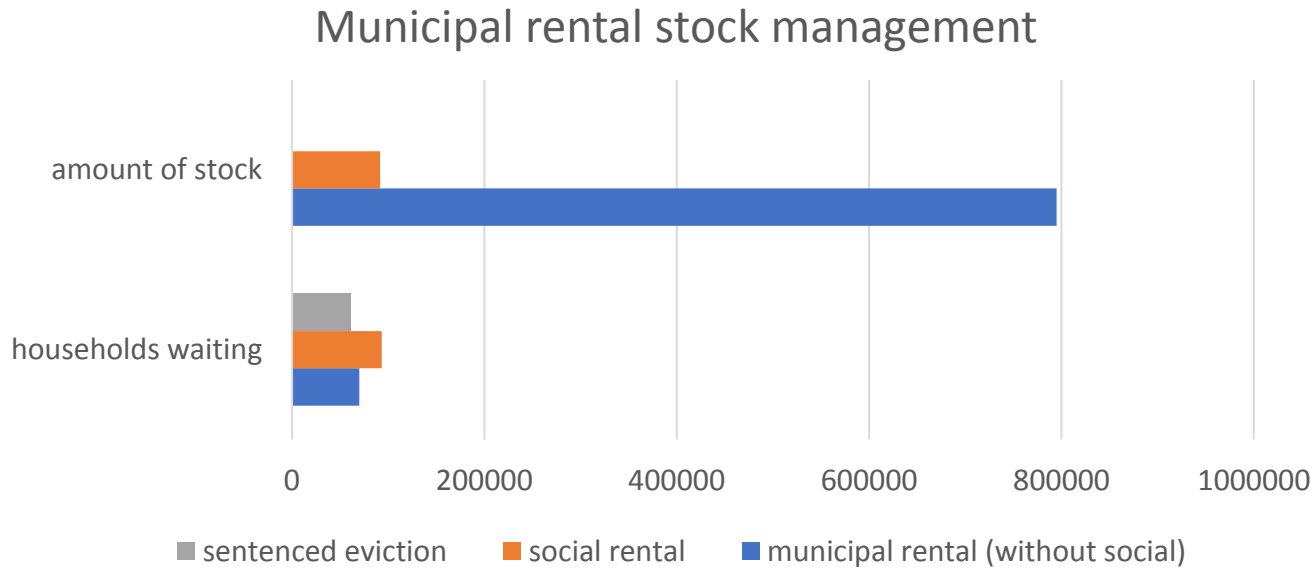


# Commodification of housing in Poland

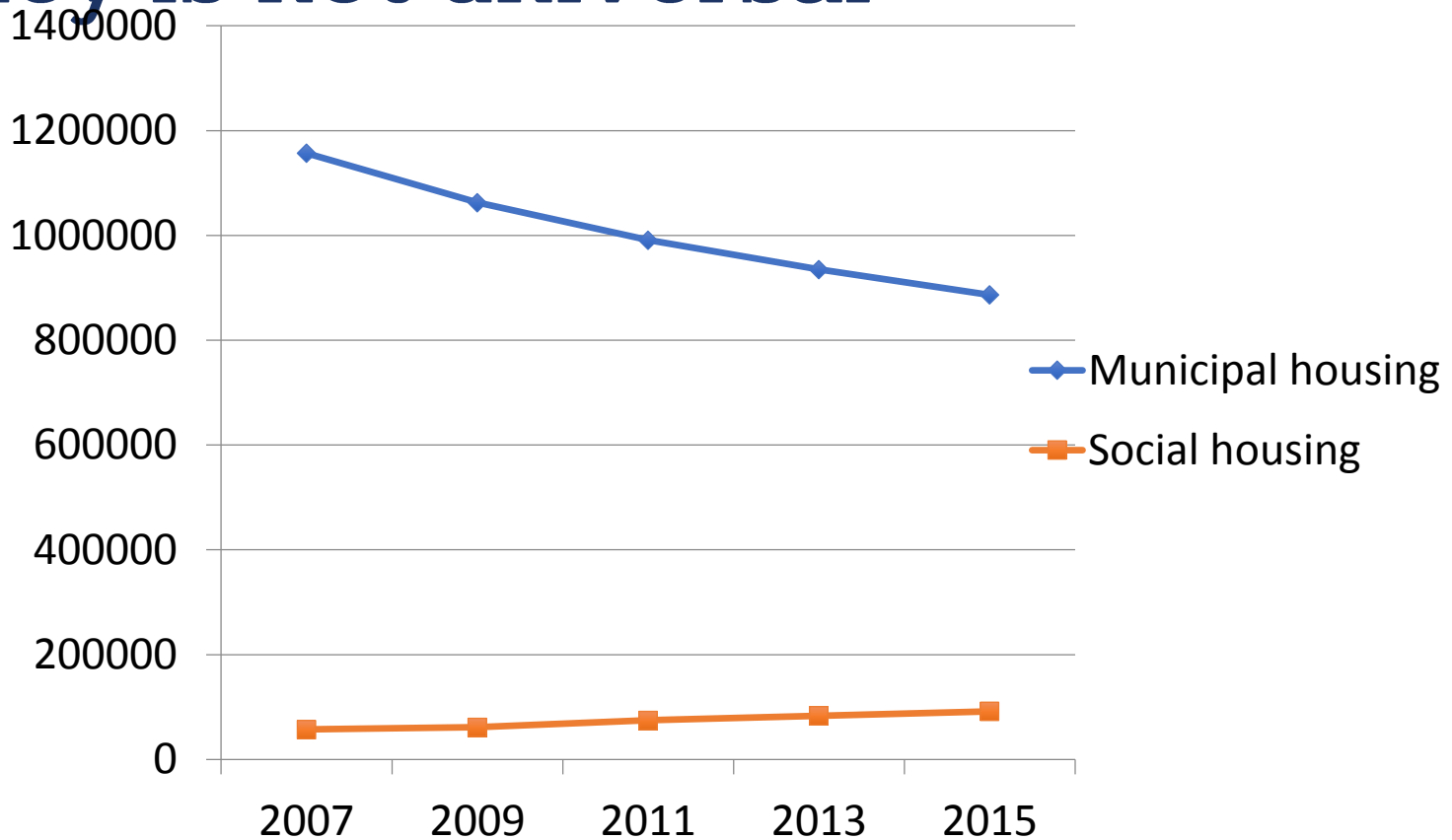


All these features make housing not a right but a merit.

# There's no housing for the poor..



# ... at the same time housing policy is not universal

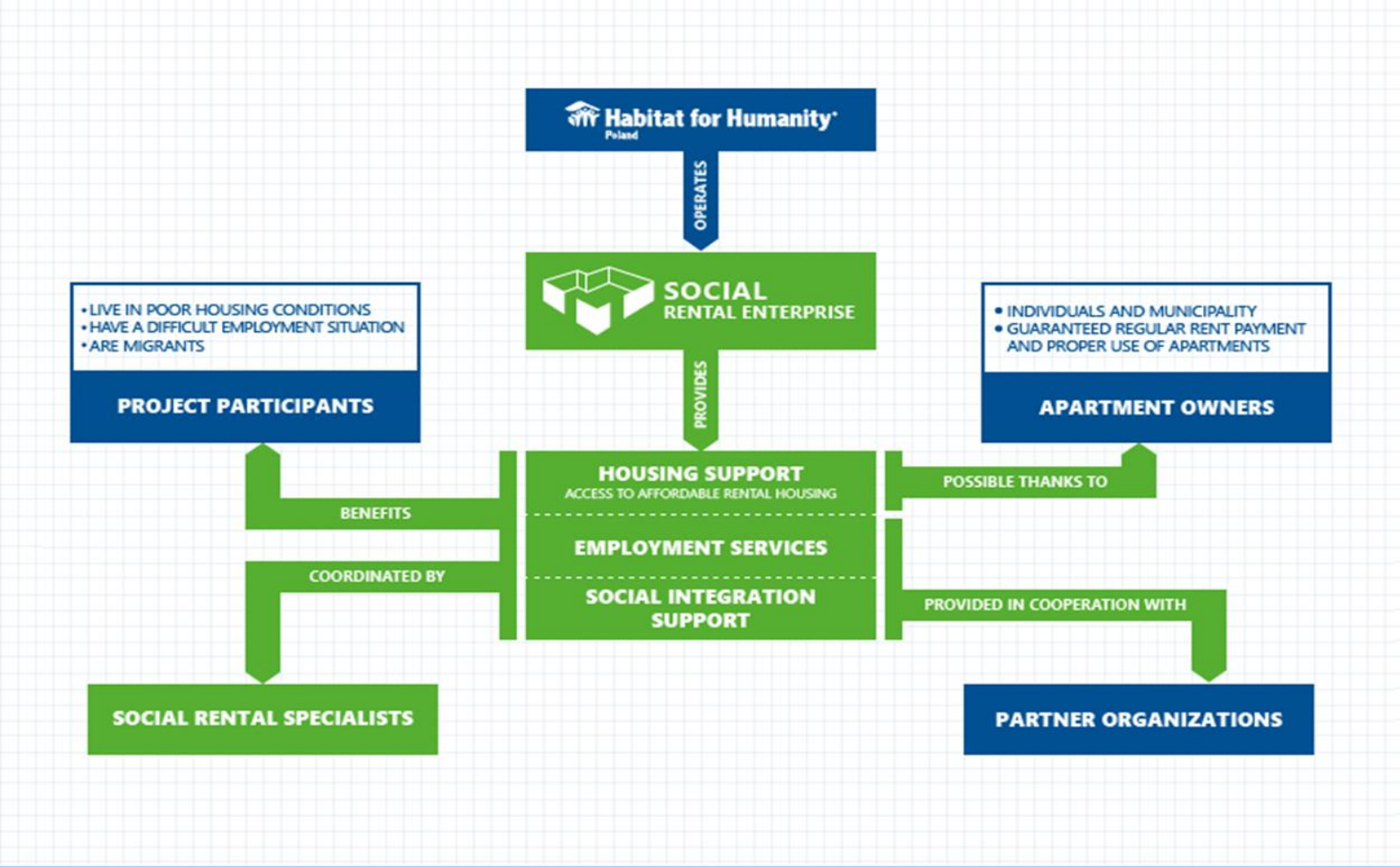


# Habitat Poland advocacy position on housing

1. Based on the new stock
2. Universal
3. Publicly funded
4. Based on model practices

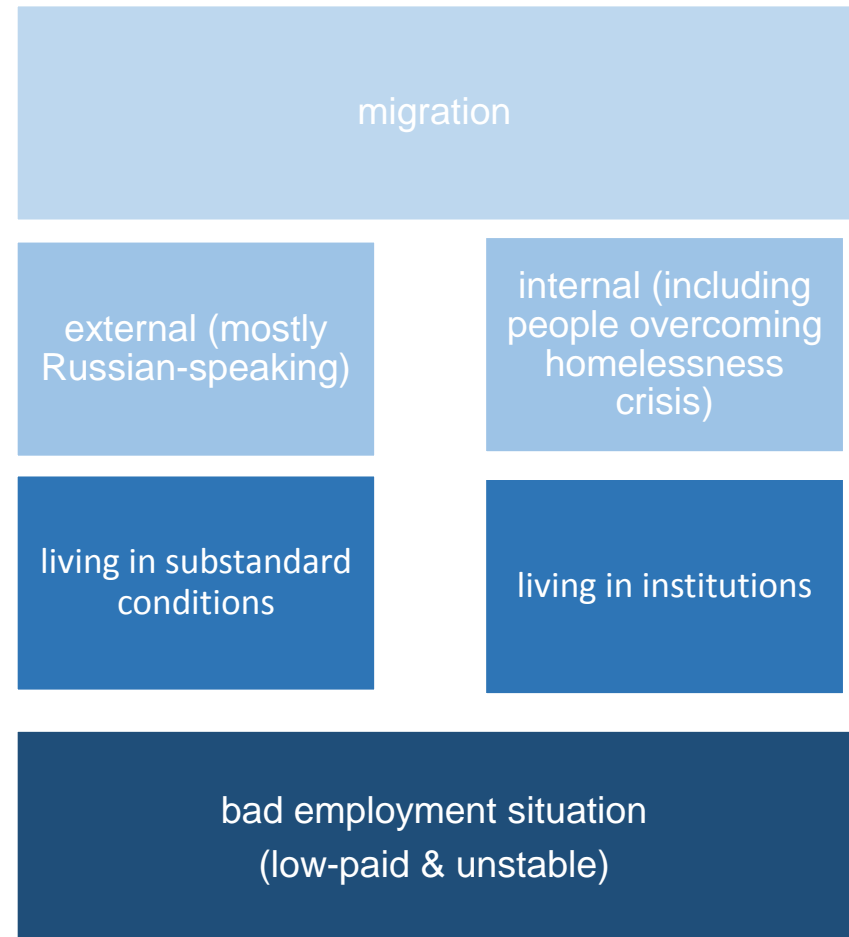


# Social Rental Agency by Habitat Poland



# Beneficiaries

- 40 people, recruited through partnership network & SRMs, both from single and multi-person households
- self-reliance is a main criterium

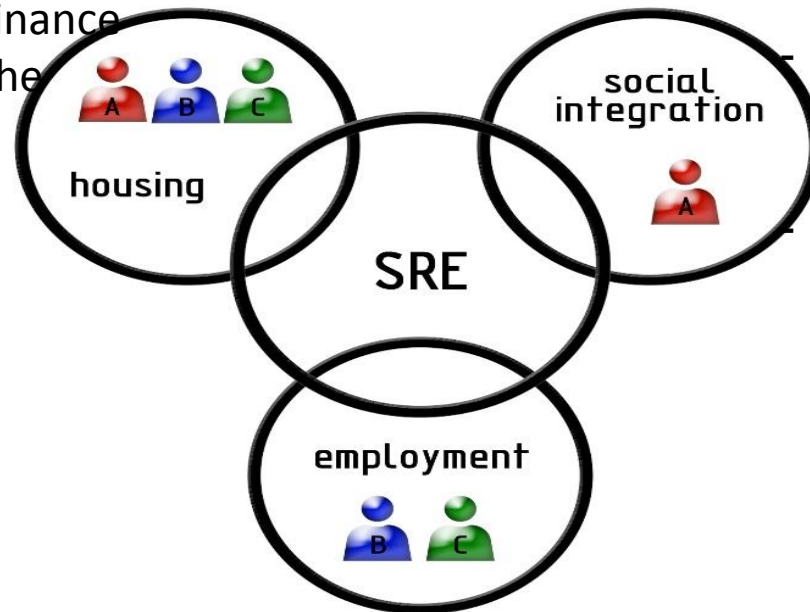




# Social Rental Managers

## ALL SRMs housing

- monitoring rent payments
- help with maintenance
- mediating with the landlords



## SRM A social integration

- providing information on private, social, public providers
- giving direction to specific organizations and contacts
- shaping solutions

**SRM B** employment services – specialized on individual career counseling, coaching, mentoring

**SRM C** employment services – job hunting, job matching services, regular contact with several employers

# Housing niche for SRA

- temporarily available municipal stock
- private rental sector: offer addressed to inactive or socially-conscious landlords
- Project-oriented funding: National Housing Fund, European Social Fund