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This contribution presents and reflects on the local platform *plat.for.evora* which promotes territorial cohesion and social innovation through cooperation and exchange between third sector organizations in Évora – the capital of Alentejo region, Portugal – and its surroundings. This platform was developed in collaboration with local actors and the University of Évora in 2014, following a study about the role of third sector for social innovation in Évora (André et al., 2014). The study, conducted in collaboration with Eugénio de Almeida Foundation (FEA) and other local actors and researchers, emphasized the role of civil society organizations in promoting the values of solidarity, reciprocity and collaboration to achieve greater equity for all.