

*Part Four***SOCIAL SERVICES****(Summary)**

Part Four consisting of seven articles is fully devoted to the funding of social services. Several major issues are emphasized here. They concern, first of all, the form in which social services are funded in the context of redistribution of services. This provides a background for the analysis of sources of funding and organization of institutions belonging to the social services sector.

A point of reference for these issues are several cross-sections. It allowed to grasp the finance of social services in its differentiation according to types, institutions, crossnational comparisons (American and Spanish experience), and division of powers between the State and the local self-government.