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WORKSHOP DELL'ECONOMIA SOCIALE E SOLIDALE

Italian meeting – 28.11.2015 – Rome



- Location: co-working Millepiani, Rome
- Participants: 38
- Groups: 5
- Issues: Environment and Agriculture; Welfare and Integration; Collaborative Spaces and Employment; Housing Emergency; Culture of Finance

Group I - Environment and agriculture

Keywords:

- multifunctional;
- rights;
- health;
- Community;
- territory;
- short supply chain;
- circular economy

Group I - Environment and agriculture

Agenda:

- Acknowledgment of agriculture' multifunctional role through circular economy approach.
- Define rights, dignity of work and respect of legality as discriminating factor to allocate public funds for social agriculture.
- Promote a uniform regulation about expropriation and access to lands.
- Lower the threshold to access at financial and economical instrument to build a project. Improve public aid to access credit through community financial instruments and revolving funds enhancement.
- Recognition for UE of local network as key territorial stakeholders.
- Promote university engagement to foster innovation in smart rural business
- Foster initiative aimed at know how transmission of IT and technical expertise

Group I - Environment and agriculture

Long-term objectives:

- Social agriculture practice as mainstream agriculture
- Environment enhancement thanks to short supply chain and circular economy implementation (in particular through recycling waste and green energy production)
- Equality of rights and legality for agriculture workers

Group II - Welfare and Integration

Keywords:

- human rights;
- network;
- bottom-up practices;
- community;
- inclusive

Group II - Welfare and Integration

Agenda:

- Redefine a Human Rights Policy aimed to go beyond categories (migrant, poor, young, women, ect) and to guarantee new practices of integrations.
- Promote the involvement of Universities, Research Centres and Training Centres in a new prospective of community enterprise.
- Create a strong network between individual empowerment policy and the role of intermediary bodies. This prospective should move on the policy of Assistance that has not promoted the empowerment of beneficiaries and frequently has constituted waste of public resource and ineffective service.
- Include local community (native or ethnic) in phases of control initiative/project funded and supported by public institution.
- Promote policy and program to sustain social and innovative local initiative in the countries of origins of migration flows.

Group II - Welfare and Integration

Long-term objectives:

- Local experiences of solidarity will increase the connection and the involvement of all the local stakeholders (public and private) in an integration process to create opportunity for all.
- Integration of new European communities

Group III - Collaborative Spaces and Employment

Keywords:

- community;
- new jobs;
- welfare;
- social innovation
- enterprise of community

Group III - Collaborative Spaces and Employment

Agenda:

- Recognition of the social and public function of collaborative spaces.
- Insertion of collaborative spaces into welfare system through active employment policies such as memorandum of understanding with the employment centres.
- Foster regeneration and re-use of public and private properties assigned to collaborative public spaces
- Support the access to collaborative spaces through public vouchers policy.
- Definition of collaborative spaces as separate legal entities as "**enterprise of community**" and establishment of ad hoc calls

Group III - Collaborative Spaces and Employment

Long-term objectives:

- Creation of regional hub based on collaborative economy that function as new welfare systems
- Integration of unemployed people and creation of new jobs
- Territories and communities sustainable development from three perspectives: economic, social and environmental.



Group IV - Housing Emergency

Keywords:

- evictions;
- rights;
- empty buildings;
- social inclusion

Group IV - Housing Emergency

Agenda:

- Eu measures to oppose evictions
- FIPP (Public Real Estate Fund Assets): establishment of a specific commission for monitoring and controlling the degeneration of national heritage
- Promote project of urban regeneration
- Foster supply and demand match supporting controlled rent initiatives, fiscal incentives, reclaim of unsold assets to allocate them as social housing, public housing, rent-controlled lease, co-housing
- Creation of a Guarantee Fund for tenants and landlords to support rents

Group IV - Housing Emergency

Long-terms objectives:

- Achievement of the right of housing for everyone
- Re-usage of empty assets and urban regeneration of the areas where they are located
- Social inclusion



Group V – Culture of finance

- Keyword:
 - community;
 - territory;
 - collaborative ecosystem;
 - bottom-up practices;
 - finance by and for people



Group V – Culture of finance

Agenda:

- Promote territory-based bank system: city banks that manage community financial resources for territorial based needs and projects
- Map and support complementary currency experiences to foster different and innovative experiences of local finance
- QE for people: re-direct quantitative easing towards territories and the real economy, in particular to the social



Group V – Culture of finance

Long-term objective:

- Community-based financial-banking system
- Equal distribution of resources
- Currency considered as a common good manage by people
- New governance of BCE and global financial-banking system