

Y.CIVIC PROJECT

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Europe
for Citizens

CUORE CHE VEDE ASSOCIATION



The association aims to promote social, cultural and educational development of people of all ages, through the implementation of targeted activities. It works in the field of adult and young education since the 2008 collaborating with a network of institutions, schools, social services and other associations of Palermo and Italy.

In our daily work we try to promote active citizenship and the legality of young people at risk of social exclusion and marginalization.

PROJECT TEAM



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SICILY

Sicily is the largest island in the Mediterranean Sea and the widest region in Italy. At the crossroads of several civilisations, Sicily has an extraordinary cultural and artistic heritage. It covers an area of 25,714 square kilometres (about 9,927 sq. mi) and has almost five million inhabitants (Eurostat, 2020).

It is an autonomous region and Palermo, its capital, is the largest town (676,118 inhabitants) on the island.

SOCIOECONOMIC PROFILE

Sicily lags behind the national and European economy in terms of economic development.

In 2019 the employment rate (41.1%) remains lower compared to the national level (59%), and very far from the European level (69.2%) (Eurostat, 2020).

In 2019, Sicily also had an unemployment rate of 20%, the second highest in Italy. Unemployment decreased by 2% over the period 2015-19 (Eurostat, 2020).

In 2016, the regional economic system performance (gross added value) was essentially based on non-market services (28.42%), services provided by the public administration, followed by Financial intermediation, real estate and business (20.65%) and commerce (12.34%).

POLICY TRENDS PROFILE

Five main objectives have been launched that will drive EU investments in 2021-2027:

- **a Smarter Europe;**
- **a Greener, carbon free Europe, implementing the Paris Agreement and investing in energy transition, renewables and the fight against climate change;**
- **a more Connected Europe, with strategic transport and digital networks;**
- **a more Social Europe, delivering on the European Pillar of Social Rights and supporting quality employment, education, skills, social inclusion and equal access to healthcare;**
- **a Europe closer to citizens, by supporting locally-led development strategies and sustainable urban development across the EU.**



WHY WE JOIN TO THE PROJECT

**We daily work with disadvantaged young people,
our youth center is located in Brancaccio, an
area full of NEETs young people at risk of social
exclusion so we want to promote democratic
engagement and civic participation**

ROLE IN THE PROJECT

**TO PARTICIPATE IN
ALL THE SEMINARS IN
ORDER TO "CREATE"
YOUNG AMBASSADORS**

**TO ORGANISE THE SEMINAR
ABOUT LEGACY &
DEMOCRACY**

Vision of the Y.Civic project, what scope, what message?

- **to contribute to citizens' understanding of the history, values and diversity of the EU;**
- **to foster conditions for civic participation and engagement at EU level;**
- **to debate the future of Europe and challenging Euroscepticism;**
- **to promote solidarity in times of crisis.**



THANKS!