

CARITALENTS

Youth and territory FLORENCE MEETING

Dominica

Young people have a central role in the process of making the most of natural and socio-cultural heritage. Youth marginalization and unemployment can raise social tensions and highlight deficiencies in national socio-economic and educational policies. As a primary cultural and educational agency, the University can strongly contribute to draw young people in from the margins of society and provide them with vision and knowledge, by directing the attention of policy-makers, educators and young persons towards new opportunities for identifying and extracting territorial local values. Moving from its consolidated tradition in training and cooperation aiming to local self-sustainable development, *University of Florence/DIDA/LabPSM* has designed and coordinated the Italian-Caribbean CARITALENTS project, co-funded by *Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI)*. The intention is to develop innovative educational methodologies to support young people - especially disadvantaged and at risk - in the Caribbean Region. The project vision is to growth the human capital through new tools for the recognition and enhancement of the Territorial Heritage as the main resource for innovative ventures directed to the improvement of the quality of life. The project's partners are:

- The University of Florence, Department of Architecture, Italy (UNIFI/DIDA)
 - *The University of the West Indies, Errol Barrow Centre for Creative Imagination*, Barbados (UWI/EBCCI)
- Implemented since June 2015, the "Training of Trainers course" (ToT) is the main activity of the project, aiming at developing skills of educators in the field of understanding, representing and making the most of the local resources in two different Caribbean Countries, *Barbados and Dominica*. After the first 12 months of project activities, the Florence Mid Term Meeting is a relevant milestone before the launch of the next phase: the Experimental Laboratories. The Meeting foresees the presentation of the results achieved so far, confrontation with other positive practices in the Caribbean Region and inter-disciplinary discussions with the involvement of Italian and Caribbean experts. The Meeting will be attended by Caribbean and Italian academics, MAECI senior officials, national and local institution representatives, members of the CARITALENTS Steering Committee and Trainers, under and post graduate students.

PROGRAM

9.00 WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

Luigi Dei UNIFI, Rector
Stefano Pisotti MAECI, Directorate General for Development Cooperation
Patrick I. Gomes African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States, Secretary-General
Nicoletta Mantovani City of Florence, Deputy Major for Cooperation and International Relations
Saverio Mecca UNIFI, DIDA, Dean

9.45 THE CARITALENTS PROJECT

Introduction Raffaele Paloscia UNIFI/LabPSM, CARITALENTS General Coordinator
The Caribbean Perspective Gladstone Yearwood UWI/EBCCI, CARITALENTS Caribbean Coordinator
Italian Cooperation in the Caribbean Emanuela Benini MAECI, Italian Agency for Development Cooperation
The Open Campus Network Francis Severin UWI/ Open Campus Country Sites, Director

11.15 COFFEE BREAK

11.30 TERRITORIAL HERITAGE IN THE CARIBBEAN REGION

Heritage Conservation and International Cooperation Sharon Johnson Ministry of Community Development and Culture, Barbados
The Agri-Food Chains: the Coffee in the Caribbean Massimo Battaglia MAECI, Italian Agency for Development Cooperation
Community Knowledge and Water Issues in Mexico City Benedetta Caprotti UNIFI/UdR ProjECTS
Discover the Heritage, Tools for Young Participation Mario Zuppiroli Movimento Africa 70, Vice-President
CARITALENTS Mid Term Evaluation Report Michele Morbidoni UNIFI/LabPSM CARITALENTS Training Activities Coordinator

12.45 OPEN COMMENTS

13.00 LUNCH

Università degli Studi di Firenze
 Santa Verdiana, Piazza Ghiberti, 27, Aula 1
 Thursday, 11th February

14.30 TOT COURSE 1# MULTIDISCIPLINARY APPROACHES

Action-Research Video-making in Diverse Communities Giovanni Attili UNIROMA La Sapienza/DICEA
Mapping as a Tool of Participation Iacopo Zetti UNIFI/DIDA
Agriculture and Food Ginevra V. Lombardi UNIFI/DEART
Craft Design, Local Knowledge and Materials Giuseppe Lotti - Stefano Visconti UNIFI/DIDA

15.45 TOT COURSE 2# NEW LANGUAGES

Territory Representation and Communication Elena Tarsi Universidade de Coimbra/CES
Grassroot Comics, Self Expression for Territory Discover Simone Spellucci UNIFI/LabPsm
Sound and Music as a Multifaceted Pedagogic Resource Claudia Cancellotti UNIFI/UdR/ProjECTS
Urban Reconnaissance Laura Colini Leibniz Institute/IRS, Berlin
Lorenzo Tripodi TESSERA Urban Social Research, Berlin

16.45 COFFEE BREAK

17.00 THE EXPERIENCE OF CARIBBEAN TRAINERS

Annette Jones CARITALENTS Trainer Barbados
 Carlton Henry CARITALENTS Trainer Dominica

17.30 Presentation of the CARITALENTS Website

17.45 Videos - Errol Barrow Centre for Creative Imagination

18.00 OPEN COMMENTS

18.30 CLOSURE REMARKS

Giorgia Giovannetti UNIFI, Deputy Rector for International Relations
 Raffaele Paloscia CARITALENTS General Coordinator



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