

NEETs in Sicily, struggles to access to labour market: objective and personal barriers

YES! Conference 1st day - Siracusa 5th March 2020

**Palazzo Vermexio, Municipio di Siracusa -
Piazza Duomo, 4, Ortigia**

Welcome, coffee and registration

09:00 - 09:30

Welcome introduction

Francesco Italia, Siracusa Council, Mayor

09:30 - 09:45

Opening speech

Sen. Steni Di Piazza, Ministry of Labour, Undersecretary

09:45 - 10:00

Youth and socio-educational situation in Sicily

On. Giovanni Cafeo, Secretary of the productive activities committee of the Sicilian Regional Assembly

10:00 - 10:15

Introduction to the Fund for Youth Employment

EEA & Norway Grant, Gian Luca Bombarda, Fund Director

10:15 - 10:30

What are the entry barriers to labour market in Sicily:

how the YES project can tackle them
Giampietro Pizzo, Microfinanza

10:30 - 10:45

Coffee break

10:45- 11:00

Cultural and knowledge barriers

- Changing mindsets: Permico Lab's entrepreneurship mentoring programme, *Corrado Ferretti, Permico Lab*
- Impact Assessment: the importance of measuring mindset change in the NEETs sector, *Giulia Parola, Munich Business School*
- Boosting skills: training, *Rosario Sapienza, Impact Hub*

11:00 - 11:45

Financial barriers

- Do our current financial tools work? Weaknesses and possible solutions, *Simone Piceno, Impact Hub*
- How to support unbankable users: the experience of Banca Etica, *Gabriele Vaccaro, Banca Etica*
- Public funding opportunities for NEETs: Invitalia, National Agency for Inward Investment and Economic Development, *Daniela Patuzzi, Invitalia*

11:45 - 12:30

The elephant in the room: informal work

Summary of the morning and introduction to themes discussed in the afternoon

12:30 - 13:00

Lunch

13:00 - 14:00

Worldcafé, follow-up of the morning thematics: how can we tear down these barriers?

Introduction to worldcafé methodology and table of contents

One facilitator and rapporteur for each table

14.00 - 14.30

1. Cultural and knowledge barriers: is there a mindset problem?

14:30 - 16:00

What is the skills gap?

2. Financial barriers: how can we improve the existing tools? Is there any need not yet satisfied?

3. Informal work and NEETs: what are the barriers to activate them? What are the best practices to activate them?

Give back, wrap up and conclusions

16:00 - 17:00

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Welcome, coffee and registration

09:30 - 10:00

Future Skills

10:00 - 11:30

How can we prepare young people to succeed in a future which will be determined by volatility, uncertainty and complexity? Youth Business International's soft-skills curriculum aims to prepare young entrepreneurs from underserved communities.

This session will: a) demonstrate the background research b) explain methodologies used (through experimental learning) and c) showcase the research through a hands-on component.

Coffee break

11:30 - 11:45

Mentoring Clubs: an innovative mentoring approach

11:45 - 13:30

Mentoring Clubs connect young entrepreneurs and mentors establishing a professional network. Clubs provides additional support when needed and anchor the mentoring programme to a local area.

Lunch Break at Impact Hub Siracusa

13:30- 14:15

The importance of non-financial services

14:15 - 15:45

Access to credit: from conception to conclusion.

This section will follow a participatory approach. Microfinanza will share its model with stakeholders and NEETs attending this session.

ANKA's approach: "Interventions in favour of NEETs in Rural Areas: combining the sectoral approach and the support of vulnerable groups of population (Roma, Refugees) with microcredits"

15:45 - 16:30

Final greetings

16:30 - 17:00



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