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“Empowering Youth Globally to Create Sustainable Solutions”

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SDSN Youth Mediterranean is hosted by the **University of Siena (Italy)** as the **Regional hub for the Mediterranean area of the Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN)**, directed by Professor Jeffrey Sachs, Special Advisor to United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon on the Millennium Development Goals.

Through a growing number of National Networks, SDSN Youth Mediterranean aims to mobilize global scientific and technological expertise to support the localization and implementation of SDGs, develop long-term transformative pathways for sustainable development and promote education around Agenda 2030 through new solution initiatives.

Activities of SDSN Mediterranean include:

- Cooperation and joint research activities among Mediterranean countries, universities and businesses;
- Development of practical solutions to sustainability issues relevant to the future of the region;
- Elaboration of SDGs indicators for the Mediterranean area;
- Promotion of networking activities among research centres, the diffusion of SDSN education tools in the Mediterranean, and Euro-Mediterranean joint programming in the context of EU planning activities.



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Alice Cavalieri – Network Coordinator



Bachelor's Degree in Political Science at the University of Siena, Italy.

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Advanced Master's Degree in Public Policy and Social Change at Carlo Alberto College, Turin, Italy.

PhD Candidate in Political Science at Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna, Pisa, Italy.

Why did you join the SDSN Mediterranean Team?

I have developed an interest in Sustainable Development during my Master Degree, due to a multidisciplinary course on sustainability attended at the University of Siena. Then, I have taught Sustainable Development in the High School of the city of Fabriano, Ancona (Italy) and I joined the Italian Climate Network Team as tutor.

My engagement mainly concerns the relationship between the development of Human Capital and the implementation of sustainable development policies.



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Emanuele Andreano - Member



Bachelor's Degree in Biotechnology at the University of Siena, Italy.

Master's Degree in Research at the Newcastle University, Newcastle, UK.

PhD student in Life Science at the University of Siena and GSK Vaccine Accademy (Future Leader Program).

Why did you join the SDSN Youth Mediterranean Team?

Dealing with vaccines and prevention, I approached to the SDSN Youth Mediterranean Team through the SDG number 3, Good Health and Well-Being. Indeed, I believe that prevention and medicines availability are the basic requirements to pursue sustainable global development.



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Serena Sonaglioni - Member



Bachelor's Degree in and Development Economics and International Cooperation at the University of Florence, Florence, Italy.

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Why did you join the SDSN Youth Mediterranean Team?

My interest for the SDGs grow during the first year of my Master's Degree. I am particularly passionate for the SDG number 8, Decent Work and Economic Growth. I joined the Network because I would like to collaborate in order to increase awareness about economic sustainable and inclusive growth in developing countries.



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Filippo Zucchini - Member



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Why did you join the SDSN Youth Mediterranean Team?

I have always been interested in Sustainable Development and the economics mechanisms that lie at the core of this issue. I would like to deepen my knowledge in energy markets and sustainable nutrition considering their importance in human life. I joined the Network because I want to contribute to increasing awareness on Sustainability and spread a very positive message: changing is possible!



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Stefania Toraldo - Member



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Why did you join the SDSN Youth Mediterranean Team?

During an internship in The Hague I developed my passion for International Cooperation, Human Rights and Sustainable Development. This explains my choice to write a Master's thesis on The Right to Education and the challenges of the Sustainable Development Goals, as particularly interested in SDG number 4, Quality Education, and 5, Gender Equality. I am excited to be part of the Network firstly because by working on sustainability issues related to the PRIMA Project I hope to effectively contribute to the implementation of SDGs number 1, No Poverty, and number 2, Zero Hunger, and secondly because I sincerely believe that young people's ideas and actions are essential to make real changes.



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Why did you join the SDSN Youth Mediterranean Team?

I increase my passion in Sustainable Development during my Master's Degree. Indeed, I had the chance to join a Project based on the SDG number 4, Quality Education. Under this, my group and I focused on the SDG number 5, Achieve Gender Equality, preparing a class lecture for First Grade students.

I joined the Network because I feel the urgency to collaborating in order to promote Sustainable Development, from the point of view of international relations and human rights.



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