

#SCIS2019 – 24-27 October, Naples, Italy (Hotel Royal Continental)

## **Social Cooperatives International School 2019**

24-27 October Naples, Italy

[Hotel Royal Continental – Mutamenti – Sant’Anna dei Lombardi – Villa Fernandes]

Social cooperatives and social enterprises are among the most vital actors of the economy at world level, showing the capacity to understand the great change and challenges that our society faces today.

In Italy, social cooperatives are the landmark of social services and assistance to persons in difficult situations and at risk of social exclusion. Furthermore, they are a crucial provider of work opportunities for disadvantaged persons. Confcooperative Federsolidarietà is a network of 6.250 social cooperatives that counts more than 230.000 workers and 220.000 members. Social Cooperatives of the network assist more than 5 millions of users and provide work opportunities to 18.000 disadvantaged workers.

At the international level, social cooperatives are growing steadily, inspiring innovative solutions in different social and economic context. Governments in many countries are interested in creating favourable regulatory frameworks to recognise and promote them.

***The Social Cooperatives International School*** is an annual event that promotes the exchange of experiences and the innovation of social cooperatives, both at the local and transnational level.

**In past editions**, more than one hundred social co-operators and social entrepreneurs from all around the globe gathered in Naples to meet experts from innovative sectors, to get inspired from international best practices and to participate to in-depth interactive discussions.

Addressed to cooperative entrepreneurs, and open to social enterprises, thinkers and practitioners, the school aims to foster the connection and development of the social cooperatives and promote their international dimension.

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### **1 kick-off Event – 3 thematic sessions – 3 workshops**

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#### **KICK-OFF EVENT – “Incredible JoBs” a worldwide strategy for boosting work integration of disadvantaged people**

In occasion of the month on “work inclusion for disadvantaged people” celebrated in Italy during the month of October, the School dedicates its Kick-off event “Incredible JoBs” to work integration social cooperatives (or, as called in Italy, social cooperatives of type B), i.e. cooperatives whose primary aim is the work integration of disadvantaged people. During the all month Federsolidarietà will organise other conferences and seminars to raise the awareness on the creation of work opportunities for disadvantaged people.

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**SCIS2019 SESSIONS** – Each thematic session consists of a theoretic introduction on the topic, the presentation of best practices and a workshop to deepen the participants’ knowledge on different aspects of social cooperatives and social enterprises activities.

#### ***Session 1 – Introduction to the international school “Social Cooperatives: normative framework and best practices in the international context”***

An overview of social cooperatives, normative frameworks and recent trends in the provision of social, health and educational services, as well as work integration of disadvantaged persons.

#### ***Session 2 – Technological innovation***

Technology innovation and digital transformation are dramatically changing our society. Social cooperatives and social enterprises that undertake a digital transformation process can be a trigger for local, social and economic growth. They can introduce new ways for the provision of social services enhancing their inclusion factor. SCIS2019 will deepen possible patterns of tech innovation.

#### ***Session 3 – Leadership in social cooperatives and social enterprises***

Is there a cooperative way to tackle management skills and organizational training? How can cooperative promote successful leadership while ensuring members participation and democratic control? What lessons can be learnt?

#### ***Preparatory activity – Coop2Coop Accelerator***

*Two weeks before the beginning of the Social Cooperatives International School 2019, participants will be engaged in a preparatory activity.*

*SCIS2019 team will submit a template where participants can prepare a presentation of the activity of their cooperative/enterprise/organisation. They can also fill in the template expressing their expectation on possible business development and partnership that they aim to find in SCIS2019.*

*More information on “Coop2Coop Accelerator” and workshops will follow.*

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### Registration, accommodation and logistical information

Participants will be hosted in [Hotel Royal Continental](#) in Naples (Italy) from 24 to 27 October 2019. Hotel Royal Continental is in Via Partenope 38-44, in the enchanting promenade of Naples right in front of Castel dell’Ovo. The hotel is well connected with the main railway station of Naples (Napoli Centrale) from where it is possible to catch trains to the main Italian cities, and it is easily reachable from Naples International Airport by shuttle bus (more info [here](#)).

The school takes place in different venues – local best practices – as described in the programme below. This will enable participants to meet local cooperatives.

**The participation of 40 social cooperators is foreseen, among whom 20 Italians and 20 from other countries. The working language of the school is English.**

The participation fee is 350 € (10% VAT included). The participation fee includes participation, materials, accommodation in Naples (3 nights: from 24 to 27 October 2019) with breakfast\*, and working lunches. The participation fee also includes the study visit to local cooperatives as described in the programme.

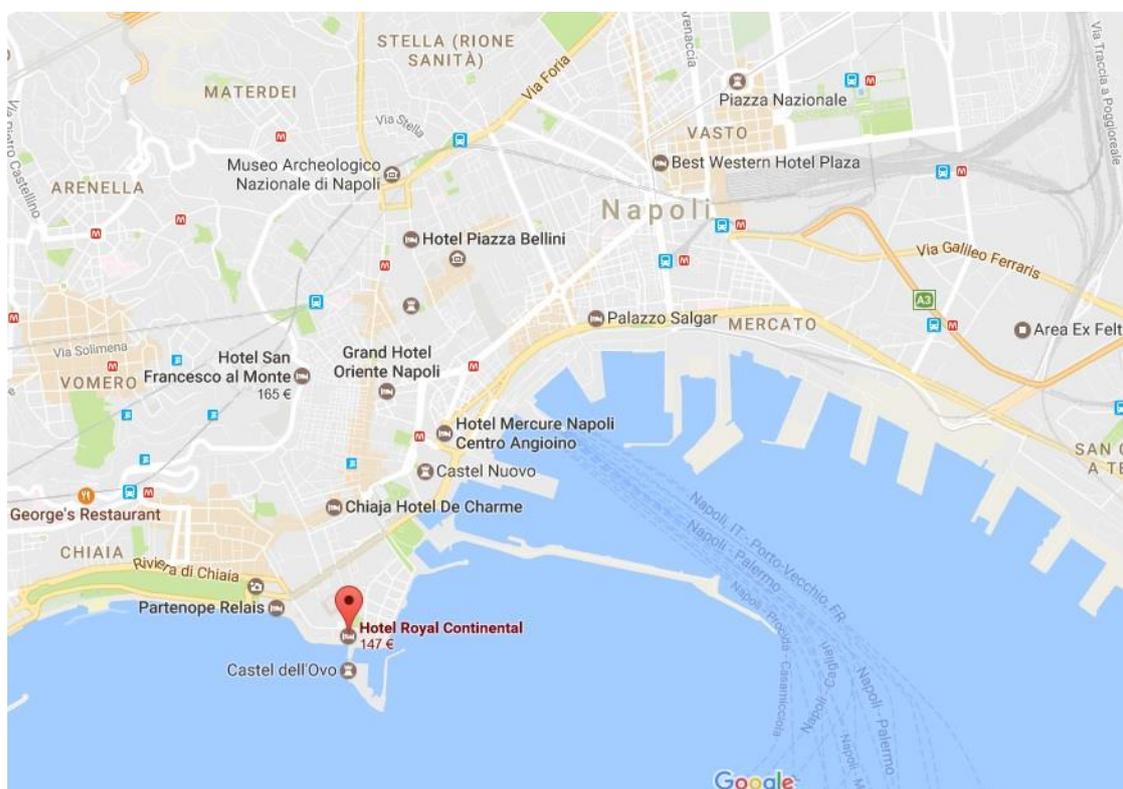
The participation fee does not include personal extras of all kinds, anything not expressly indicated in the paragraph “the participation fee includes”.

\*Participants will be hosted in double rooms. It is possible to request to be hosted in single rooms, in this case the participation fee is 550 € (10% VAT included).

**Deadline** for registration is on 15<sup>th</sup> September. *See below for **early-birds** registration and **reductions**.*

-> **Early birds** registration before 30<sup>th</sup> August: 300 € double room – 450 € single room.

-> **Former participants** registration before 15<sup>th</sup> September: 300 € double room – 450 € single room.



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PROGRAMME

	Thursday 24 October In Hotel Royal Continental	Friday 25 October Site Visit – Mutamenti (Caserta)	Saturday 26 October Site Visit – Sant’Anna dei Lombardi – Napoli	Sunday 27 October Site Visit Villa Fernandes – Portici (Napoli)
<b>Morning</b>	<p>Arrival of participants</p> <p>[11:00-13:00]</p> <p><b>“Incredible JoBs”</b></p> <p>A worldwide strategy for boosting work integration of disadvantaged people</p> <p>-----</p> <p><i>International event on work integration social cooperatives and social enterprises, realised in the framework of the Italian month of work inclusion of disadvantaged persons.</i></p>	<p>[9:00-17:30]</p> <p>Study visit <b>Mutamenti</b> (Caserta)</p> <p>Session 2 <b>Technology Innovation</b></p> <p>Speakers and case study TBA</p> <p>Session 2 Workshop</p>	<p>[9:00-13:00]</p> <p>Study visit <b>Sant’Anna dei Lombardi</b> (Napoli)</p> <p>Session 3 <b>Leadership in Social Cooperatives and Social Enterprises</b></p> <p>Speakers and case study TBA</p> <p>Session 3 Workshop</p> <p>13:00 – return to Hotel Royal Continental</p>	<p>[9:00-13:00]</p> <p>Study visit <b>Villa Fernandes</b> (Portici – NA)</p> <p><i>Workshop and final Evaluation</i></p> <p><b>Conclusions</b> <i>S. Granata – President Federsolidarietà</i></p> <p><i>Departure of participants</i></p>
		Lunch break		
<b>Afternoon</b>	<p>Arrival of the participants</p> <p>[15.00-20:00]</p> <p><b>Opening session and remarks</b> <i>S. Granata – President Federsolidarietà</i></p> <p>Session 1 <b>Introduction to the international school</b></p> <p><i>Presentation of the Participants and workshop</i></p>	<p>Session 2 Workshop</p> <p>17:30 – Return to Naples</p>	<p><i>Visit to the city and free time</i></p> <p>On request: support for additional study visits</p>	