## TRAINING OF PROFESSIONALS FOR SUSTAINABLE TERRITORIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE SARDINIA REGION, ITALY

During 2019 an intense collaboration began between the KIP International School and the AUSI Consortium of Sardinia (Italy), for the formulation of a *project for the promotion of the sustainable development in the Sulcis Iglesiente*.

The project includes three components:

- training of professionals for sustainable, green and inclusive local development through refresher courses and an International University Master for professionals of territorial development and international cooperation;
- promotion of innovations for territorial development implemented by actors of the Sardinia Region and in line with the 2030 Agenda, through the development and publication of a catalogue of innovations to be used in training activities and disseminated at national and international level.
- creation of an International Laboratory of Sustainable Development in the Sulcis Iglesiente area where the AUSI Consortium is located, which has the function of an organized place of theoretical and practical training.

The <u>AUSI Consortium</u>, established in 2008 by the University of Cagliari, the Province of Carbonia-Iglesias, the Municipality of Iglesias, Igea S.p.A. and Carbosulcis S.p.A, is a publicly-owned and non-profit organization, which carries out scientific research and university-level training activities. The Consortium of the Historical Environmental Geomineral Park of the Sardinia Region also collaborates on AUSI activities.

In the joint preparatory work it was agreed that the first initiative will be the realization of an *Intensive refresher course for professionals of sustainable development*. The course will serve to develop a reproducible model that is in line with the objectives of the United Nations 2030 Agenda and which could be repeated periodically to update the skills of professionals who already work in various public, associative and private structures in the regional territory.

The intensive course will also serve to prepare an *International University Master for professionals of territorial development and international cooperation.* During the intensive course, some innovative practices identified in the territory of Sardinia will be presented, which will become part of a permanent catalogue of innovations for sustainable development.

The Intensive course, which will take place in the months of October and November 2020, is organized in 10 one-day modules dedicated to the different topics related to sustainable development indicated in the 2030 Agenda. The Sardinia Region, which has made available to AUSI the funds for the realization of the project as a whole, will actively participate in the Intensive course and in the joint design of activities of the other components to be carried out in 2021 and 2022.



