



**SERVICES FOR  
CULTURAL EXPERIENCE**

*with ITALIAN LANGUAGE COURSES*

**OFFERED**

**from FUTURO DIGITALE**  
*Agency for Mobility and International  
Education*



Erasmus+



## ABOUT

**FUTURO DIGITALE** was established in February 2013, as a non-profit independent association with the main aim to bring new ideas and innovations not only to Southern Italy where the association is located but also to the whole Italy and Europe. It is known as an active organization in the Youth Entrepreneurship Promotion and Vocational Training at international level.

The organization promotes projects and activities of non-formal education mainly in a field of European Programs. We intend to encourage Transnational Mobility as a tool for people who make choices about their own future by observing job environment.

We are involved in programs such as Youth in Action, Erasmus +, Erasmus Placement, Erasmus for Entrepreneurs or Europe for Citizens. The intention is to achieve these goals by providing professional trainings, non-formal education, youth exchanges, technical specialization, intercultural exchanges etc.

Every year we send/receive about 200 participants from/to Italy and other European countries. Our organization is always open to new and exciting collaborations. We have been already participating in the new Erasmus + 2014/2020. We have also been working with more 'than 500 institutions throughout the Community' European.



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Our Mission and " propose a vocational work experience abroad, unremunerated, through a training program individualized for each participant that allows the value of the skills and knowledge "

**THE STRONG POINT** and 'Calabria, Country of Ancient Greece with natural (sea, mountains, nature, history, art, food), the center of the Mediterranean, in which students can move with extreme ease' given its size





## WHAT WE DO

Thanks to our extensive and detailed network of local and international partners, we are able to provide a complete program of reception that includes the following services:

- Organization of training programs
- Analysis of individual profiles
- Individual interviews with students
- TA contracts
- Assessments
- Tutoring and final evaluation of various projects assigned
- Monitoring
- Accommodation
- Language courses
- Programs of social and cultural integration
- Certifications (European Mobility, Youthpass etc.)

Always ready to welcome and assist participants, ensure training in different professional fields at all levels and qualifications.





Participants in our training activities are constantly monitored and advised by **experts Tutor**, also committed to monitor and evaluate the performance and progress of learning of the same.

The main responsibilities of the Tutor to each participant are as follows:

- promote integration within the group and the working environment in which it is located.
- monitor expectations, attitudes, participation and performance.
- Ensure the logistical and technical support.
- monitoring trends and make them constantly counting direction
- Complete a final report that will evaluate the overall performance



## Where are we?

Our head office is located in the charming Terranova da Sibari in Calabria, province of Cosenza, in the beautiful Piana di Sibari.

We also have another office near Corigliano Calabro as well as other offices that work with us in Belvedere Marittimo.

Near Terranova you can easily find other important and beautiful cities such as:

- *Rossano 38 km*
- *Cosenza 55 Km*
- *Catanzaro 145 Km*
- *Matera 150 Km*
- *Taranto 160 Km*



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**Terranova da Sibari**



**Belvedere Marittimo**



**Corigliano Calabro**

## ***The Plain of Sybaris***

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## How to reach us?

Depends on which country you are coming from, you have several options from the car to the plane, including also the train or the bus.

Our closest airport is Lamezia-Terme (113 Km - 1h.15') with many connections to other cities both Italian and foreign thanks to Ryanair and many other airlines.

You can also fly to:

1. Crotone (133 Km - 2h.)
2. Bari-Palese (226 Km - 2h. 30')
3. Napoli-Capodichino (280 Km - 3h.)
4. Roma (Ciampino y Fiumicino, a 5h.)

Coming to bus is also possible. Bus from Rome will take 5 hours approximately due to renovation works in some parts of the highway. The cost is about 35€.

**Where are you coming from? Tell us, we will be pleased to help you!**





## Italian Courses



Another service FUTURO DIGITALE provides is customized Italian courses, imparted by specialized teachers. The course consists of 20-30 hours (depending on your Italian level) and the chance of doing an official exam at the end to achieve a globally recognized certificate.

**FUTURO DIGITALE has an agreement with Dante Alighieri Association, which is the official institution that issues the Italian-level certificates known as PLIDA. We are official centre!**

From our point of view, owning this certificate provides the world's most valuable recognition of knowledge of the Italian language.

The Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) is an international standard for describing language ability.

It is used around the world to describe learners' language skills. The CEFR has six levels - from A1 for the most basic beginner to C2 for the very highest level of ability.



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Once that Erasmus placement had been finished, this would be an interesting option to continue with your Italian learning. It is possible to stay another two weeks (or more if desired) in Calabria doing this course so you can finish your stay with an official certificate in Italian language.

Although you can take the exam in your country, if you want you can also take it here in Italy if dates suit you:

### **2015 PLIDA examinations:**

- 22 April: B2, C1
- 27 May: A2, B1, C2
- 19 June: B2, C1
- 24 August: B1, B2
- 16 September: B1, B2
- 25 November: A1, A2, B1
- 26 November: B2, C1, C2

**We will help you to find the best place and date for you upon request!**

### **PLIDA 2015 TARIFFS**

|         |         |          |
|---------|---------|----------|
| A1: 60€ | B1: 80€ | C1: 130€ |
| A2: 60€ | B2: 90€ | C2: 130€ |

It is also possible to attend to one up to three competences separately, (choosing between listening, speaking, reading and writing) paying each one separately.

## ***What's around?***



**Cosenza**



**Waterpark (Rossano)**

In the region of Calabria there are interesting cities like Cosenza or Rossano. They are nearby cities, you can get there within an hour and no more than one day is needed to see them, so you can go and come back in the same day.



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There are other areas where you will need to overnight. For example, if you have a car at your disposal you can go to the beautiful Sicily, where you can visit cities such as Palermo, Messina or Siracusa.

Another incredible zone is the Amalfi Coast (villages like Amalfi, Positano, and Sorrento...). This itinerary is known for having overwhelming coast landscapes and lively nightlife.





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Finally, Apulia, which is relatively close, is popularly known as the high heel on the “boot” of Italy. Lecce stands out there, and due to its rich Baroque architectural monuments is commonly nicknamed “The Florence of the South”



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# ***OPPORTUNITY 'A BELVEDERE (CALABRIA)***

## ***Holiday work***

**FUTURO DIGITALE**, in agreement with several facilities that are classified as social and educational farm, to promote 'the rural lifestyle to allow reconnection of man to His roots with Mother Earth.

In this context, Welcomes volunteers who want to experience life together with these small multiethnic community, working side by side with the staff of these facilities to develop the Ark project with care and love, learn our kitchen, our language in the homes of foreigners and enjoy this lovely place, close to the sea and the mountains, rich in culture and history.

We welcome all year for a minimum of 2 weeks and we prefer long periods. We have free internet access, there are smokers, we have pets. The working hours required in exchange for room and board is 6 hours a day for 6 days a week.



**FUTURO DIGITALE** has an agreement with a farm with 14 guest rooms and a restaurant for max. 200 guests.

Besides this the farm has a lot of animals and grow a large variety of vegetables and fruits, Which we sell on regional markets.

Normally there are 15 people in the house That do the work together.





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For many of them this not only the place where they work but anche home.

We speak english but our people are from all over the world.

We appreciate life in all aspects, respect the needs and take care of our people, animals and the place in general. We want to live together in harmony and gladly take responsibility for each other.



Help with Computers / internet, Other, Language practise, Helping with Tourists, Animal care, Help in the house, Farming, General Maintenance, Cooking / shopping, Gardening Help

If you are interested to work in an international group of friendly and respectful people and to learn something about growing vegetables and animals, prepare and process excellent food like cheese (when we can take milk from the goats, from may to august), sausages, fresh hand made pastas, pickled vegetables, ice-cream (in the summer) etc. we will be glad to host you amongst us.

For after work activities you have the choice between the sea, Pollino natural reservoir, or the historical village of belvedere with it's castle - you can reach all this by foot - or you relax like some of our guests

**Languages spoken italian, english**



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**Accommodation:** Single room or shared room with one other volunteer

**What else ...**

For lunch we all join in for mostly vegetarian food.

In the morning and evening everyone prepares his own meal as per his individual gusto. there is always a large variety of food in the fridge available for this.







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## ***The Educational Farm***

Educational farms approaching young people and adults to nature. The farm is the ideal place for a trip with the kids, but also an opportunity for the greatest to discover how the food, as the animals live and what are the trades of the campaign.

You can visit:

- ***The path of the plants of the Mediterranean.***
- ***The path of the mini zoo***
- ***The pond with geese, ducks, marsh turtles and fish***
- ***The breeding in the wildness of black pig of Calabria***
- ***The growing areas (greenhouses and open field) to learn about the cycles of planting, growing and harvesting.***
- ***We organize workshops:***
- ***From milk to cheese (from milking to cheese production)***
- ***From wheat pasta (all stages of cultivation and processing of grain and fresh pasta)***
- ***Food and Wine: ancient recipes of***
- ***Creativity: create objects with natural or recycled materials***
- ***Preservation of biodiversity: the Podolica cows and their characteristics;***
- ***The black pig farming and processing.***



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***BELVEDERE and... around!***







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## ***The Riviera of the Cedars***

**<http://www.inrivieradeicedri.it/>**



# ***OPPORTUNITY ' A ROME***

**FUTURO DIGITALE** offers the opportunity to do an internship/stage at some **prestigious Institution** that are based in Rome, with which our Association operates stably.

To carry out the internship/stage at these Institutions, you must:

- have a CV and a course of study in line with the mission of these institution
- be interviewed on skipe with these institutions

## **BORGOLINGUA**



**Sector:** Italian language courses and cultural experiences in Italy

**FUTURO DIGITALE**, in collaboration with Borgolingua organizes Italian language courses with a communicative approach, so as to learn Italian while discovering the Lazio Region. We organize tours in the week and in the weekend and offers a broad range day-activities, to valorize the small villages' cultural heritage by combining the beauty of Lazio and teaching Italian to foreigners.

This collaboration was created for those who desire to experience the Italian culture and language to its fullest. For those who wish to deepen their passion for art, history, food and wine. For those who are already studying Italian abroad, but for beginners as well. For those who don't want to be just a tourist, but a real traveler.

**Location:** the medieval village of Sermoneta, between Rome and Naples



In Sermoneta, with its history, art and natural surroundings, you can enjoy the enchanting atmosphere of a small medieval town that isn't too far from Rome.

In Sermoneta and in neighbouring towns there are several local associations that for years have been promoting excursions, guided tours and artisan knowledge.

Moreover, from there you can reach the centre of Rome in 30 minutes by train. Sermoneta is also 20 minutes from the sea and from Circeo National Park. In May, 2014, with the cooperation of Sermoneta's Agricultural University, Borgolingua acquired a number of classrooms in an ancient XV century building. The classrooms are large and bright, with a breathtaking view of the Circeo National Park.

### **Who we are looking for**

Our aim is to create a global network of travel agencies and tour operators in order to promote our itineraries in all european countries. So, we are looking for a dynamic person, interested in Italian language and culture and determined to realize a network promoting Borgolingua's itineraries and courses.

There is no need to know Italian: during the experience our teachers could give to the trainee italian language lessons to improve his linguistic level.

The trainee should have skills in marketing, tourism, organization of cultural and linguistic activities.

He will operate:

- building and engaging an online community of destination ambassadors with the world's largest social networks: Facebook, Twitter and Instagram
- creating informative e-mail campaigns
- Calling travel agency and operator in all european countries in order to create partnerships



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