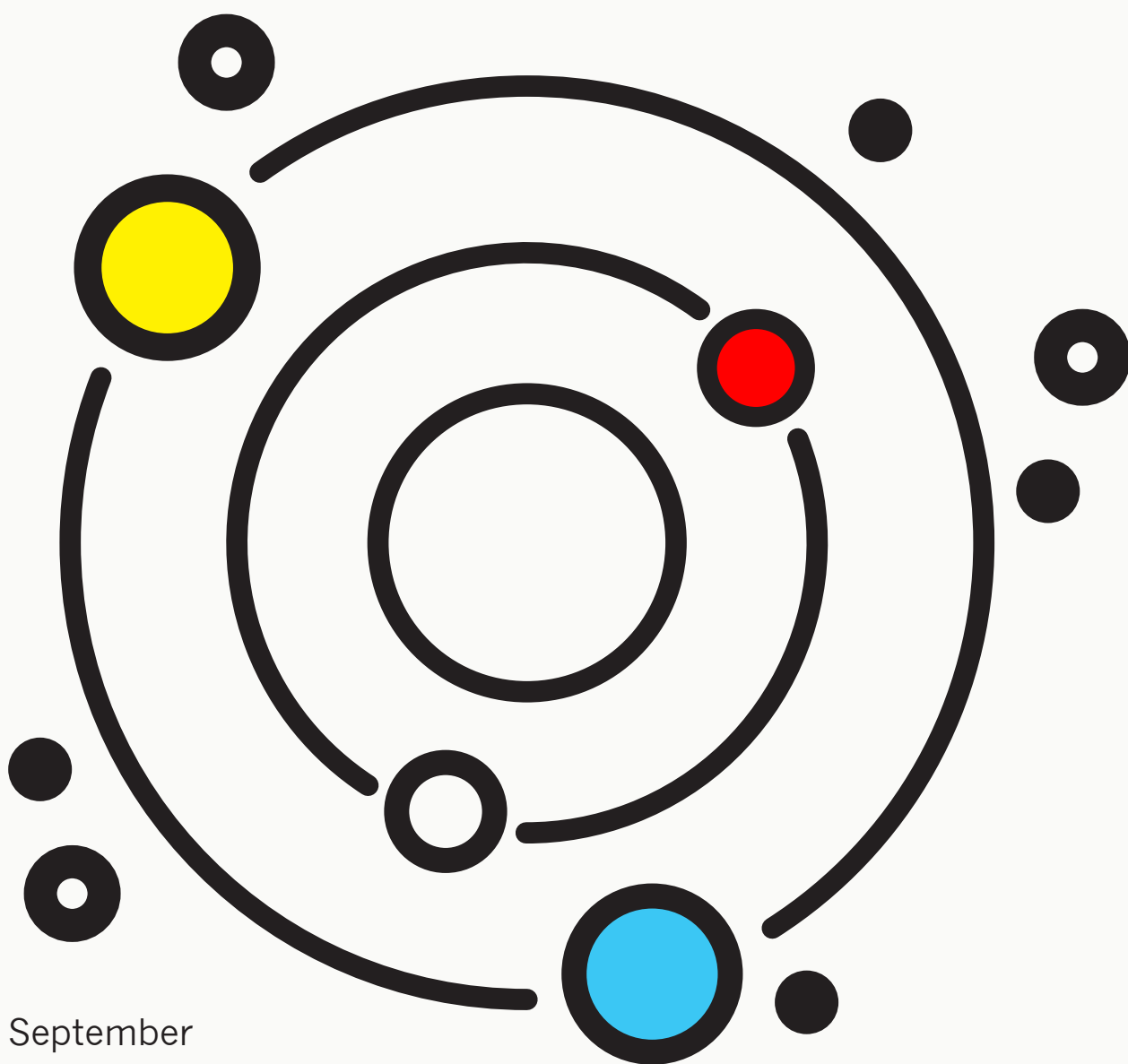


WORKSHOP ON  
INTERNATIONAL FUNDING  
AND PARTNERSHIP



28/29/30 September  
2015  
ore 9,15

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Grand Hotel Mediterraneo,  
Lungarno del Tempio, 44  
Firenze

## Introduction

The “Mattone Internazionale” project is sponsored by the Italian Ministry of Health and aims at increasing the role of the regional health systems and policies in Europe by strengthening their competences in investigating opportunities offered by the European Union and other international organizations (“bringing the health system and policies of the Italian regions in Europe and Europe in the health systems of the Italian regions”).

The project foresees the implementation of information and training activities addressed to Ministry organizations, Italian Regions, local social-health authorities, hospitals as well as other stakeholders involved in health topics, in order to promote the dissemination of the main international donors and organizations’ policies and opportunities to access their funding or collaboration programs in the framework of health, research and innovation in the national territory. The Italian Ministry of Health has delegated to the Tuscany Region the coordination of the component related to international health cooperation and health of migrants.

The health cooperation is considered one of the areas of greatest commitment of the international community for the achievement of the Millennium Goals. Over the past decade, the Italian regions have increased their commitment to development cooperation in general, and particularly in international health cooperation and global health acquiring a rich experience of organizational models, guidelines, methodologies and contents.

The awareness of the complexity and the growing importance of the regional commitment on these issues have led to the organization of several workshops since 2013 aimed at promoting the exchange of experience and information, to stimulate and strengthen the capacity of local networking and improve the efficiency and overall effectiveness of the interventions.

The training is organized with one plenary session on the 28 of September and training seminars for the days 29 and 30 with the participation limited only to the Italian Regions representatives.

## **FIRST SESSION:** **28th of September 2015**

Local authorities, their platforms and representative structures are increasingly being viewed as important and necessary actors in development policy. Local authorities can act as catalysts for change, conflict prevention, decentralisation and confidence-building in the development process - a fact recognized most recently in the European Consensus on Development and in the communication “Local Authorities in Development” – as well as in the increasing number of existing practices of regional and local authorities in the field of integration and cooperation with local and regional partners from third countries.

The workshop will address and debate subjects of interest for Italian Regions and the main civil societies organizations involved in development cooperation initiatives on the role of local authorities in development processes, the mechanisms inherent to them, and international programmes and support instruments and modalities.

It will entail the participation of representatives of:

- the European Commission (in particular DG Justice with a specific focus on REC Programme),
- the Joint Migration and Development Initiative (JMDI) programme, that is implemented by UNDP and focuses on the role and needs of local authorities to effectively link migration and development,
- the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Development Cooperation,
- the European platform of local and regional authorities for development (Platforma)
- the European Confederation of Relief and Development NGOs (Concord).

## **SECOND AND THIRD SESSIONS:** **29th and 30th of September 2015**

The training seminar will be addressed only to representatives of the Italian Regions and will be conducted by two experts. The main learning objectives of the seminars will be:

- Increase the understanding of the various funding instruments and opportunities of strategic partnerships;
- Optimize the capacity for analysis and management of the work for the preparation of a project proposal;
- Increase the knowledge on methods of writing projects;
- Increase knowledge of strategies and instruments.

## Program

### Morning

Ore 09.15

**Registration** Welcome Coffee

Ore 10.00

**Introductions**

**Pasqualino Rossi** Ministry of Health

**Maria José Caldés Pinilla** Region of Tuscany

Ore 10.30 / 12.30

**The new EU funding instruments 2014-2020**

**José Ortega** DG Justice and Consumers

*REC (Rights, Equality and Citizenship) Programme 2014-2020:  
how to present a good proposal*

**Dania Tondini** Concord

*Overview of new Europeaid funding instruments and approaches*

**Florent Resche - Rigon - Platforma**

*The Strategic Partnership between Platforma  
and the European Commission  
to implement development initiatives.*

Ore 12.30 / 13.00

**Discussion**

### Afternoon

Ore 13.00 / 14.00

**Lunch**

Ore 14.00 / 15.00

**Reforms and New Approaches under way**

**Andrea Senatori** Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
and Development Cooperation

*Local Authorities in the framework of the new Law  
"General Rules Governing International Development Cooperation"  
and innovative instruments of financing at country level:  
the Debt for Development Swap Agreement (IADSA)*

**Joanne Irvine** JMDI Knowledge Management Expert

*Strengthening the contribution of migration to development  
by reinforcing its local dimension: new perspectives and  
opportunities of building partnership*

Ore 15.00 / 15.30

**Discussion**