

Dear potential partner,
the Community Foundation of Agrigento and Trapani is inviting you to participate as partner in the project proposal entitled:
INcreasing Children participation to society through cultural and non-formal Activities and RMA – IN CARMA

to be submitted under the 2024 CERV Call for proposals on rights of the child and children's participation (CERV-2024-CHILD)

26th March 2024 deadline

The Community Foundation of Agrigento and Trapani is a civil society organization – laic and independent – that promotes social, economic, cultural and environmental development in the territory of the provinces of Agrigento and Trapani (Sicily, Italy). Our mission is to contribute to the solidarity development of communities to offer growth opportunities to people and organizations in the third sector. The Community Foundation promotes the culture of giving, participation and co-responsibility, it generates social infrastructure programs capable of assuming a strategic value for the territory. The establishment of the Agrigento and Trapani Community Foundation is part of the program to support Community Foundations in Southern Italy promoted by the CON IL SUD Foundation.

INcreasing Children participation to society through cultural and non-formal Activities and RMA – IN CARMA

This project aims at supporting, advancing and implementing comprehensive policies to protect and promote the rights of the child, and in particular the right to participate. The project will specifically target children who may be underrepresented in existing child participation mechanisms. This may focus on children in situations of multiple vulnerabilities, children with a disadvantaged socio-economic background, children with disabilities, migrant and refugee children, children from minority groups, children from rural areas. Creative learning and modern pedagogical methods, including RMA (Reciprocal Maieutic Approach developed by Italian educator Danilo Dolci) and other participatory methods will complement cultural and educational tools, making abstract

notions more relatable for children of different age groups. The project will use cultural heritage and its spectacularising to involve children in the storytelling of their cultural heritage. In particular, children with deaf impair will be trained to be the guide to some of the most representative cultural heritage sites in Agrigento, Trapani and Naples. The design and implementation of actions will be done in cooperation with children, to make sure that the action is well tailored to children's needs.

Expected impact

- Making children aware of their right to participate and have their voices heard;
- Making child participation mechanisms inclusive and systemic;
- Improving capacity building, the exchange of good practice, training on the rights and needs of children;
- Providing adequate support to children with specific vulnerabilities (deaf children, children with migrant background, children with disabilities).

These objectives will be reached through specific **Work Packages**:

Work Package 1 Lead: CFAT	Management, administration and coordination This work package could group activities related to the planning, management, administration, coordination and evaluation of the project.
Activities:	Planning and preparation, meetings, evaluation, quality control, coordination activities, preparation of reports, monitoring of gender equality and diversity throughout the project etc etc.
Deliverables:	Agenda or minutes of meetings, evaluation and/or quality control reports, conception / planning reports, etc.



<p>Work Package 2 Lead: TBD Main contributor: TBD</p>	<p>Communication and dissemination This work package could group communication and dissemination activities aiming at ensuring visibility of the activities of the project and a wide dissemination of its results.</p>
<p>Activities:</p>	<p>Communication/dissemination campaigns, promotional events, production of communication/dissemination material, etc.</p>
<p>Deliverables:</p>	<p>Communication plan/strategy, website, newsletters, publications/ brochure (digital and using recycled paper), social media posts, banner, branding, statistical analysis of website, public relationship and presentation speeches, press reviews, etc.</p>

<p>Work Package 3 Lead:TBD Main contributor: TBD</p>	<p>Capacity building and knowledge sharing This work package could group diverse type of capacity building activities in the area of the rights of the child and children's participation.</p>
<p>Activities:</p>	<p>Training of elementary teachers on RMA in partner countries to explore children's needs and participation modes, Train-the-trainers' activities in Italy, training of children as tour guides in Agrigento, Trapani, Naples and other cultural cities in partner countries, creation of guided tours to cultural heritage made by children, storytelling workshops with children</p>
<p>Deliverables:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RMA manuals for teachers to stimulate children participation • Training sessions for teachers on RMA in partner countries • Train-the-trainers' sessions • Creation of guided tours run by children in own language and LIS language • Direct involvement of at least 500 children in



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Duration: 24 months

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To express your interest in being a partner please send by email the **partner identification form (PIF)** with the information of your organisation.