CDP PROJECT MANAGEMENT
FOR THE MOUNTAIN

Course venue
MOUNTAIN UNIVERSITY - EDOLO (BS)
DECENTRALIZED CAMPUS OF MILAN UNIVERSITY

dates: November 2015 - February 2016
language: english/italian
modality: face-to-face or blended learning (videoconference)
information and application: http://www.unimontagna.it

MIUR - UNIMI Framework Agreement to consolidate the Edolo University experience and the establishment of the “MOUNTAIN UNIVERSITY” as a national reference centre for university education on mountain issues.
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FEATURES OF THE COURSE

Advanced course
The objective is to create experts able to support public and private institutions in the planning and implementation phases of complex financing projects for the development of business opportunities and sustainable development in mountain areas.
With an international approach and a specific focus on cooperation among Alpine countries, the course will focus on the main policies for sustainable development and the priority issues underlined by the Alpine Convention.
The course is designed and offered as part of the framework agreement between the Ministry of Education and the University of Milan's Edolo Campus (Bs), also called the “Mountain University”, developed with specific reference to the strategies identified and enhancing the partnership of the Working Group, composed of experts from various universities and institutions.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

The course aims to provide the following skills:
- learn, systematize and consolidate the methodologies of Project Management;
- recognize the operational tools required to design and manage, after the award of the funding, all stages of intervention in favour of development policies in mountain areas, both at an international and at a national level,
- take advantage of the most suitable European (and other) policy guidelines for subsidizing individual projects and consider the main themes of the financial programmes aimed at projects suitable for mountain areas.
The course will be provided in collaboration with the Alpine Convention, which can hence make a significant and important contribution reflecting on the tools required to ensure a better implementation of the relevant Treaty and the Protocols targeted at the Alps, through the development of specific projects.

BENEFICIARY

Graduates of any class (I or II level – Postgraduate level).

ADMISSION TO THE COURSE

By assessment interview.

Preferred Requirements: proven communication skills, experience in public administration, consortia or local authorities, organizations or consulting firms who deal with European project design, participation in tenders and notices, project management.
The CV must be accompanied by a covering letter in which candidates express their level of knowledge on the issues related to the mountains and of how the personal expertise will benefit from attending the course, including the potential transferability of skills acquired.

REGISTRATION

Please check our website, see section ‘Access’

Course fess: 766 EUR
Deadline: OCTOBER 9TH 2015
Dates: NOVEMBER 2015 - FEBRUARY 2016
Duration: 60 hours
Course Coordinator: ANNA GIORGI
Lessons: on Friday afternoon and on Saturday (weekly/fortnightly).

EMPLOYMENT SECTORS

The course will train a Planner of intervention and sustainable development policies in mountain areas, starting from the participation in calls for project funding up to the management of all phases of the project, if funding is awarded.
The Planner will know about:
- public institutions, particularly those of local government;
- companies and professional firms for the design and implementation of intervention;
- Individuals, public and private, involved in the support and active participation for intervention in public policy (development enterprises and agencies, banks, etc.).

The course stems from the need to fill a gap in the context of development programmes promoted both by the European Union (Alpine Convention, ETC Alpine Space Programme, other international agreements on the mountains in Europe, the Carpathian Convention, EU macro-regional strategies, the EUSALP, etc.) and new opportunities for local development (the new CAP for the protection of EU agricultural policies).

**TEACHING METHODS**

The course will be accessible both on our videoconferencing platform (blended learning) or in the more traditional face-to-face approach at the University headquarters in Edolo (Bs), Italy. At the same time, the lectures will be available online/through e-learning thanks to a specific virtual classroom, for participants from European (and other) countries bordering Italy who are unable to reach the physical location of the course. The system allows simultaneous connection in multiple locations and with multiple participants, interactive question and answer activities both through audio-video participation in sync and by chat.

The lessons, materials and collaborative activities of “practical training” in the development of professional planning skills will be available on-line thanks to a specific e-learning platform.

The course will be taught in English or in Italian, according to the origin of the majority of the participants. The idea is to develop competence able to work in national or cross-board mountain areas, in order to generate growth phenomena founded on the local asset.