

AFFRICO II – INNOVATION IN AGRO-FOOD SECTOR

SPRING SCHOOL ON “INNOVATION IN AGRO-FOOD SECTOR”

ITALY, 8-28 MAY 2016

Innovation is the main engine of economic development, including agro-food research. In order to strengthen local capacity for endogenous institutional change is necessary, however, to build a network of experts, able to develop projects in specific areas of the food industry. These topics will be the subject of the Spring School and specifically: Management of water resources and precision irrigation systems; Food supply chain systems: corn and coffee; Aquaculture and Fish production hygiene; Food security; Microfinance for agricultural sector; Integrated rural development and responsible tourism; Territorial development, decentralization, synergies and upstream / downstream relationships; Payment systems for ecosystem services; Innovative entrepreneurship and lifecycle management processes in the agro-food sector.

Course objectives

- Transmit and / or consolidate knowledge on systems and innovative measures in the agro-food sector
- Promote mutual understanding among the “AFFRICO II” Spring School participants and connect them with colleagues from other Master courses and active projects (Spring School on Building capacity to feed the planet)
- Analyze agro-food Italian excellence
- Establish a permanent network among Sub-Saharan African experts in sectors related to agro-food innovation

Course structure

Educational activities of AFFRICO II will be developed through a 3-week intensive training program, which includes technical visits, lectures, meetings and workshops. The program will be developed through a guided tour from Palermo (Sicily) to Bertinoro (Emilia-Romagna), to discover several innovative experiences in agro-food chain.

Focus of the call and requisites

The Italian Cooperation will support 12 young Participants selected from the following African countries: Ethiopia, Kenya, Ghana, Gambia, Cabo Verde, Mozambique, Malawi, Tanzania, Zanzibar, Mauritius and Madagascar.

To access the “AFFRICO II” Spring School Participants are required to have at least a Bachelor School degree.

It's also compulsory that Participants already operate within governmental or local academic structures.

A good knowledge of English is essential.

Full information are available at: ecampori@ceub.it; giuseppe.provenzano@unipa.it

Applications and Deadline

Deadline for applications is March 31, 2016.

Participants should fill the **attached form (Annex A)** where they declare, under their own responsibility, that they have all the requested requirements.

The form must be sent by e-mail to: ecampori@ceub.it; giuseppe.provenzano@unipa.it

Admitted candidates will be informed by early April 2016: they will be requested to submit some documents certifying all the Course requirements.



Applications are also accepted on-line at:

<http://www.ceub.it>

ANNEXE A

Please, fill this Form with the requested notes and return, by e-mail to:
ecampori@ceub.it and giuseppe.provenzano@unipa.it

I, the undersigned:

Surname: _____

Name: _____

Date of birth: _____

Place of birth: _____

DECLARE

That I'm working at _____

(complete denomination and address of your current firm or any other governative or non-governative entity)

Since: _____

Please, enclose:

- a copy of a valid passport (*first page, complete with recent photo*)
- your curriculum-vitae
- one official declaration and a reference letter from your Superior, also specifying your actual working position

Signature