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UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI BERGAMO

PRESENTATION OF CESC RESEARCH CENTER

At the Center! University Research and Public Engagement Centers Reveal Themselves

GENERAL OBJECTIVE

- economic, social and legal changes
- within territories
  (from local to international)
- addressing individuals, families, businesses, and organizations
- cooperation culture
- interdisciplinary approach

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Center on Economic, Social and Cooperation Dynamics

sustainability

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Giurisprudenza



Ingegneria e Scienze Applicate



Ingegneria Gestionale, dell'Informazione e della Produzione



Lettere, Filosofia, Comunicazione



Lingue, Letterature e Culture Straniere



Scienze Aziendali



Scienze Economiche



Scienze Umane e Sociali

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MULTIDISCIPLINARI PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

Some examples *(titles summarized - and translated if req)*

- *Coping with **SOCIAL VULNERABILITY** through databases*
- *Dynamics in **COOPERATIVES IN BERGAMO PROVINCE***
- ***ELDERLY AND DISABLED**: innovative assistance and healthcare models*
- *Leadership and **WOMEN PARTICIPATION** to political life in Burkina Faso*
- ***VIOLENT EXTREMISM** and measures **COUNTERING RADICALIZATION***
- *Permits of stay and **VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING***
- ***FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT, FINANCIAL INCLUSION** in Africa and the Global South*
- ***SAVINGS AND DEVELOPMENT** Journal*

STRATEGIC PLAN 2023-2027 AND EVOLUTIONS

At the origin of the HEYE Research Center

- Promote the **sustainability of working models**
- **Circular economies**
- Vulnerability to **climate change**
- Culture of **food production and consumption**
- **Human rights** and **international cooperation**

Sustainable finance & climatic change

Food policies

Human rights and migrations

New models of cooperation

Links with UniBg UNESCO Chair

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION
IN A WORLDWIDE FAST GEOPOLITICAL EVOLUTION

- CESC as an **intra- and interuniversity hub**

- Consolidation of **relationships with international actors and their networks**

- Strategic Shift: **from Individual Initiatives to systematization**.
  From managing standalone projects to capitalizing and scaling UniBg initiatives for expanded global outreach and impact

OBJECTIVE AFRICA AND BEYOND

SUSTAINABLE & EQUAL COOPERATION MODEL BETWEEN ITALY AND EMERGING ECONOMIES

TWO CURRENT ACTION LINES

- **Entrepreneurial and human development:** Transforming global dynamics into growth opportunities for local and Italian business communities — positively impacting employment, access to quality goods/services, personal dignity, and environmental protection.
- **Youth empowerment:** Equipping UniBg students with key competencies to navigate unexplored international contexts - dynamic and resilient - fostering personal and professional development.

SELECTED ACTION: past, present and future

- **Since the ’90s:** field research on finance and development, sustainable tourism (mainly Africa)
- **Since early 2000s:** collab. with universities – MOUs, faculty/students exchanges

RECENT:
➢ **UNITAFRICA** project: 21 Italian and 78 African universities (MUR-MAECI 2025, Etiopia)
➢ CRUL project- **Joint STI Campus** - Lombardia Region (AICS): Approved. 11 Universities from Lombardia Region. UniBg+UniBs campus in Etiopia. Global amount: around 6 mln. euro
➢ **Horizon** joint proposals with European and African Universities (work in progress)
➢ Contacts with **African Union and Unesco**
➢ Project design in progress on **entrepreneurial and social development in the Horn of Africa d’Africa** (including a mission with Confindustria Bg) UNESCO CHAIR
➢ Project design in progress on **cultural heritage in Eritrea** COLLAB CATTEDRA UNESCO
➢ Upcoming mission in **Tanzania** (cultural heritage, landscape, mountains and more)
➢ Lab on **Business and Finance in Africa** COLLAB DIPSA

NEW IDEAS, NEW CONTENTS ARE WELCOME!

Thank you!