



Map of the Mediterranean of 1717

Manifesto of sustainable development in the smaller Italian islands

Island of La Maddalena - May 2016

WHEREAS

- that the minor Italian islands are a special institutional geographic reality not only in the national context, but also internationally;
- that the 36 scattered Municipalities in seven Regions (Campania, Lazio, Liguria, Puglia, Sardinia, Sicily and Tuscany) are an extension of about 1,000 square kilometers with approximately 220,000 inhabitants;
- that have made the EU principles the foundation of their actions;
- that subsidiarity is the guarantee activation of the most appropriate geographical level, the most appropriate territorial level and the participation of economic forces as joint decision of the choices for the development;
- that cohesion is not only a means to reduce imbalances, but also to help to eliminate inequalities and to promote equality of rights and environmental protection;
- that the compatibility and consistency are the requirements to identify the development measures and the most appropriate interventions for the land, and to evaluate the correspondence between the objectives to be achieved and the projects delivered and enhance the environmental, landscape, geomorphological and social diversity;
- that the development model based on culture, cultural heritage and landscape may constitute the basis for the testing of a local based economy through the adoption of differentiated territorial measures and enhancement of specificity.

CONSIDERED

- that you have to activate a change both institutional and social and a more flexible use of the instruments in line with EU documents on the subject of positive discrimination and Law 662/96 and subsequent regulations;
- goes recovered the delay of island regions through integrated action between public and private entities, an integrated finance and integrated projects;
- that local capacity to be strengthened with participative and coordinated initiatives;

- that a low-carbon economy, efficient use of resources and a sustainable transport policy are complementary interventions of the main missions: work, quality of life and social inclusion, education, training and health;
- that the issue of energy, water, waste and mobility are not objectives in their own right, but integrated and strategic action for a development based on the enhancement of cultural heritage, environment and landscape;
- that the environment, its protection and use can help create new jobs.

THE SUBSCRIBERS UNDERTAKE

- to find and experience appropriate solutions taking into account the physical and geomorphological features that each island expresses;
- to draw up a simplified authorization process even notwithstanding the current regulations and to implement art. 174 et seq. of the Lisbon Treaty;
- to prepare integrated strategic projects across sectors, but in correlation of more general strategic plan of the new development model focused on the development of cultural heritage, traditions and landscape;
- to encourage the financial assistance of private individuals;
- to seek synergies useful to create a smart economy, namely: strong, intelligent, right, wise and good.

NEW MODEL

- because it carries with it other sectors such as tourism;
- because it involves citizens;
- because it pushes the institutions to a change in their actions;
- because the effects that can produce can also become a model for other insular reality.