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Call for participation

Laboratorio Umano di Rigenerazione Territoriale

Riesi (CL) August 22-30, 2020

Deadline: July 15 2020.

Riesi is a town in Mid-Sicily, in the province of Caltanissetta. In the Sixties the architect Leonardo Ricci realized, on behalf of his friend and Waldensian pastor Tullio Vinay, the Villaggio Monte degli Ulivi, a place dedicated to the education of children. The Waldensian church - is in Sicily since the XIX Century - stands as an educational, cultural and social support for the weaker social classes in a fragile and isolated territory. Laboratorio Umano di Rigenerazione Territoriale, made by Servizio Cristiano and the not for proft plug_in, is a summer school with human centered approach and part of this context. The aim is to draw attention to the suburbs of our country and regenerate the local community through participation defined as new opportunities for young people.

The summer school is curated by Emanuele Piccardo, architecture critic and president of the not for profit plug_in, with the architects Orizzontale+Flora La Sita, envisages the recovery of a building confiscated from the mafia: a three-storey house which results from speculation in the 1980s in Riesi. The management of the building has been entrusted to Servizio Cristiano, a welfare and social work centre of the Waldensian Protestant Church in Italy, which bases its action on the principles of active solidarity, the fight against illegality and mafia. The innovation of the future workshop consists in defining two operational phases, one is design and the other construction site to implement in real time the ideas that arise from the exchange of participants and tutors. The recovery of the building will take place in phases. In this first year we will work on the ground floor, intended as a real public space open to community. The aim is to provide a public service oriented in particular, to young people aged 18 to 30; so the confiscated property becomes a space of opportunities where different professional skills can be trained. A place of training and creation of culture and knowledge.

How to apply

The summer school is open to italian and foreign students of master's degree courses in Architecture, Design, Art School, Anthropology, Sociology, Literature, enrolled in Italian universities, and designers (architects, engineers, landscape architects) under the age of 40. Students from foreign universities enrolled in courses similar to those mentioned above may also participate.

The course will be held in Italian. In case of participation of foreign students, the dialogue with tutors may also be in English.

Film screenings and public talks will be in Italian.

Those interested should submit their application to <u>segreteria.lurt@serviziocristiano.org</u> attaching a portfolio in pdf (max 15Mb) and a motivational letter of maximum 471 words in English

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Accepted applications (max 20) will be announced by July 20, 2020

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