## **About this Project**

**Down Syndrome** is a chromosomal disorder, occurring at the rate of 1 in 600/1000 births. The world's population of People with Down Syndrome (PDS) is over 6 million. The medical condition and cognitive development of these people are affected. For PDS, life-long learning is not only about learning new skills or vocational training; it is about being included in society, according to Article 3 of "Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities".

**Service Learning** is a teaching method, by which the knowledge and skills that students have acquired, through studying, are applied to a project development. That project addresses to a concrete socially-responsible cause, based on real needs and problems.

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) promoted by United Nations, are the blueprint to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all. They address the global challenges we face, including poverty, inequality, climate change, environmental degradation, peace, and justice.

#### "SUSTAINABLE-SERVICE-IN-DS"

launched with the main objective of increasing the PDS's competences and their Supports; regarding the implementation of the SDG, through Service-Learning, while increasing their social inclusion.



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#### **Partners**



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Involving People with Down Syndrome, in the implementation of Sustainable Development Goals, through Service Learning

### **Our Goal**



To urge People with Down Syndrome to become active actors in the implementation of SDG, and not mere beneficiaries.



To increase the engagement of People with Down Syndrome with their local communities. Social inclusion and visibility as useful; and, they can be capable members of the civil society.



To transfer knowledge and tools to support people, on how to be involved in the SDG, and to cooperate with People with Down Syn drome.



To strengthen the cooperation between organizations working for and with People with Down Syndrome; and, other social stakeholders, in order to address common problems affecting the local communities.

### **Outputs**

# SUSTAINABLE-SERVICE-IN-DS" TRAINING SCHEME (I.O.1)

A Training Scheme is being developed, with the direct participation of People with Down Syndrome and other End Users (Professionals working with PDS; Relatives and other Supports; and, experts in the fields of Service Learning and Sustainable Development Goals). The main objective of involving all the stakeholders, in the final specification of the Training Program, is going to be developed in the next stages of the project.

## SUSTAINABLE SERVICE-IN-DS LEARNING ACTIVITIES (I.O.2)

A set of training activities, based on the Service-Learning methodology, is being designed to enhance the involvement of PDS in the implementation of SDG, where they will increase their competences through "learning by doing".

#### **TRAINING MATERIALS (I.O.3)**

An e-Training Platform is being developed to enhance the training process. The e-Training Platform includes tools; exclusively developed for this project, which support the practical and experiential training activities.

# SUSTAINABLE SERVICE IN DS E-TRAINING PLATFORM (I.O.4)

An e-Training Platform is developing for enhancing the training process. The e-Training Platform is including tools specifically developed for this project which support the practical and experiential training activities.



## **Project Impact**

SUSTAINABLE-SERVICE-IN-DS project will involve the number of persons, that follows, in the aforementioned project activities and during the project's lifetime:

**100 persons** will be involved in the Validation Pilot Actions; they will be implemented for the validation of project results.

**14 persons** will participate in the TRANSNATIONAL TRAINING ACTIVITY.

**170 Stakeholders** will participate in the Multiplier Events

**2.500 persons** will be addressed by the dissemination actions, which will be done by the project