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Sostegno alla realizzazione di dottorati di ricerca

With Decree No. 9526/GRFVG of February 28, 2025, the Friuli Venezia Giulia Region published the Notice regarding the submission of operations for Specific Program No. 20/24, which aims to support higher education through the realization of PhD programs.

Specific Programme 20/24, through the funding of doctoral scholarships, contributes to the achievement of the objectives of the Sustainable Smart Specialisation Strategy (S4). It supports the development or strengthening of integration with the regional production system and/or research organisations, through coordination and collaboration mechanisms with regional enterprises or research bodies, or by leveraging the potential for technology transfer of processes, products, applications, or, more broadly, research outcomes.

- Sportello 2025
- Ciclo 41
- CUP J93C25000640008
- Progetto 2025/6525/21

Dottorato in Circular Economy

"Economics of Active Ageing: LTC Strategies, Young-Caregiver Resilience, and Productivity Impacts"

Main Objective: Our society faces demographic (aging), social (family roles and multiculturalism), and economic transitions (new technologies, limited public resources, low growth). In this scenario, Long-Term Care (LTC) is crucial for assisting a growing elderly population and promoting the "silver economy." Young caregivers, often overlooked, may face risks regarding their education and entry into the labor market. Research plan: The project aims to produce evidence on the costs and benefits of caregiving in youth, analyzing both the impact on educational and professional paths and potential resilience factors. The results will offer indications for public policies, with particular attention to the regional context and possible international applications. Expected results: The activity develops along two strands. The first examines the effects of youth caregiving through (i) data to be collected via questionnaires in Trieste schools, which will be cross-referenced with administrative data (INVALSI, FVG Region, ASUGI); and (ii) longitudinal causal analyses using rich European administrative data (United Kingdom, Netherlands). The second evaluates LTC policies in Italy and Europe (an ongoing project at DEAMS), utilizing data on reforms and microdata (e.g., SHARE). Close research collaborations are planned with Gateway To Global Aging (USC Los Angeles), Centre for Society and Mental Health (King's College London), De Banfield Association, and FVG Region. The study will allow for an understanding of how assistance provided at a young age affects education and employment, highlighting strategies to reduce family burdens and improve economic growth and LTC services. The recommendations, consistent with the Smart Specialization Strategy of the Friuli Venezia Giulia Region, will be able to guide more effective and sustainable policy choices.