# POLISPORTIVA P.O.R.TO. **DON BOSCO**

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### AN EDUCATIONAL AND SPORTING CENTER AT THE SERVICE OF THE YOUNGEST





# WHO WE ARE SPORT AND NON-FORMAL EDUCATION AS ENGINE FOR SOCIAL INCLUSION

The P.O.R.TO Don Bosco sports center has been operating for decades in the Don Bosco parish center of Giardini Naxos, in the Calcarone district.

Our mission is to offer educational tools to young generations based on non-formal learning methods and on sport as a driver of integration and social inclusion. The urban context in which we operate is characterized by great economic fragility and young people often risk taking paths far from legality and civil coexistence. On the contrary, we intend to train young people in the name of the Salesian values of solidarity, cooperation, mutual respect beyond any social and cultural barrier.



# WHAT WE DO

The association involves the youngest in sport activities such as volleyball and football. Moreover, especially during summer, the association organize a summer camp in which the youngest practice water sports such as kayak with qualified instructors, dance activities, theathre activities and nonformal plays and activities finalised in developing their abilities and their sense of mutual respect and solidarity.

During the year the association involves the youngest in official sport championship, soccer school and education activities.

## WHERE WE ARE

### THE CITY OF GIARDINI NAXOS AND OUR FACILITIES



Giardini Naxos is the first greek colony in Sicily. Nowadays, together with the near Taormina, is one of the most important touristic pole of the island. The association operates in the parish Centre of Don Bosco in which there is a small theatre, a mini-football camp, an external area used to perform plays and non formal activities. The association also utilize a sport facility of the town all, a big gym in which there is a volleyball field.

## **OUR NETWORK OF PARTNERS** THE IMPORTANCE OF BUILDING TIES WITH THE SOCIAL COMMUNITY

Building ties with other associations, institutions and solidarity entities is crucial to make our educational activity effective and to have a real social impact on our territory. We daily collaborate with the municipality, other sport and cultural associations performing activities such as dance, kayak, basket, theatre. We also collaborates with a centre hosting unaccompanied foreign minors.













### SOME SHOTS OF OUR DAILY ACTIVITIES "IF YOU WANT YOUNG PEOPLE TO DO WHAT YOU LOVE, LOVE WHAT YOUNG PEOPLE LIKE"

### SAINT GIOVANNI BOSCO





## **OUR EXPERIENCE WITH ERASMUS**

We are a newcomer association in the world of Erasmus. We participated, through the town all of Giardini Naxos in the project PARTICIPART aiming at stimulating active citizenship of the youngest through the performing of arts. We strongly believe in the aims of erasmus programme and we would like to build as many ties as possible with other associations operating in european countries. We would like to be partner in EU projects to strenghten our experience and to exchange good practices in the field of youth education and sport.



# WOULD YOU LIKE TO CREATE PARTNERSHIP IN EU PROJECTS?

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