

# POR Calabria 14-20

*"The role of Cohesion policy in delivering EU priorities"*

**SESSION 1**

*The contribution of Cohesion policy to European priorities*

## Calabria Case Studies



# *The regional model*

- Several of these projects were launched by **small municipalities**
- Their model of reception is based on the **involvement/engagement of all local actors** and helped stop depopulation
- The results show that migrants can play a key role in **revitalizing rural/peripheral** areas affected by demographic and economic decline
- The model has been brought to regional scale: a **regional law** (n.18/2009) provides financial support to integration projects implemented by local communities with demographic and economic problems



# OP 2014-2020

- ***Innovative models of social housing (ERDF)***
- ***Financial support to municipalities to build facilities for purpose of social housing (ERDF)***
- ***Renovation and re-use of old buildings, including those confiscated to the mafia, for purpose of social housing (ERDF)***
- ***Training programmes to boost digital skills, digital literacy, digital inclusion (ESF)***
- ***Microfinance programmes (ESF)***
- ***Support to entrepreneurship (ESF)***

# Regional strategy on migration management

- Over the last 20 year Calabria has created a widespread reception system deemed as a best practice
- Based on this sound know-how, the regional government has now developed a **regional strategy on migration management**
- The strategy covers a comprehensive range of actions going from first reception to integration programmes and voluntary repatriation
- It is based on a **shared governance** model involving all the local actors (municipalities, local communities, NGOs, prefectures, informal networks, schools, etc.)





# Key actions of the strategy

- ***Strengthening first reception facilities***
- ***Widening of the “second reception” system***
- ***Training programmes for the staff of migrants reception centers***
- ***Training and labour market inclusion programmes for migrants/refugees***
- ***Programmes to support victims of human trafficking and tortures***
- ***Renovation and re-use of building stock for social housing***
- ***Creation of a skills database to help labour inclusion***
- ***Educational corridors***
- ***Support to voluntary repatriation (Mediterranean start-up programme)***