





## **ECStA-Study Visit to Italy**

# Sustainability & University Housing: Best Practices in Student Affairs

Florence, November 18-19, 2025

Sant'Apollonia Auditorium (Via San Gallo 25, Florence)

## Tuesday, November 18, 2025

08:45 Welcome reception for ECStA guests

09.00 **ECStA General Assembly** (for members only)

13:00-14:00 Buffet organized by the DSU Toscana Catering Service

#### 14:00-15:00 Institutional greetings and presentation of participants

- EMILIO DI MARZIO President ANDISU Vice President ECStA President ADISURC Campania
- MARCO DEL MEDICO President of DSU Tuscany
- Representative of the Tuscany Region
- SARA FUNARO Mayor of Florence

#### 15:00 Workshop 1 – Sustainability in university catering

Moderated by Enrico Carpitelli, Director of DSU Tuscany

- **LUIGI VELLA**, Head of DSU Tuscany Catering Services and Coordinator of the ANDISU Project on Guidelines for Sustainable University Catering: "ANDISU guidelines for sustainable procurement in Italy Building an approach to sustainable procurement policies. The challenges of balancing costs, sustainability, and quality in catering"
- **VALERIA POLZONETTI,** Erdis Marche: "Erdis and Unicam together for sustainability a cross-cutting approach based on the Mediterranean diet"
- **PIETRO PISU** Head of the Canteen, Warehouse and CdQ Unit at ERSU Sassari: "Actions and initiatives for environmental sustainability in the university canteens managed by ERSU Sassari
- GABRIEL SOLEIL, Project Manager Energy and Climate Engineer, Cnous (France): "From Bœuf Bourguignon to Pasta al Funghi" Facing the challenge of serving millions of meals for less than 2€, the French Crous focus on vegetarian menus, local products, and French culinary heritage to combine affordability with quality & sustainability. With the needs of decreasing our carbon footprint by 5% each year, these efforts are mandatory to address students' strong concerns about the future, driving continuous innovation and improvement.
- **JUTTA BERGER**, Deputy Director of STW Ulm (Germany): "Sustainability Management in STW Ulm within the Klimawin-Charta" Since 2020, STW Ulm has been promoting internal and external measures for sustainability within the framework of the KLIMAWIN-Charta, which includes annual sustainability reporting and definition of targets for the next year. This has resulted in







comprehensive measures for sustainability in its main fields of operations, with a commitment to our economic, environmental and social responsibilities in student services.

- Discussion and conclusions

16:30 Coffee break

## 17:00 Workshop 2 - University Housing & Innovative Solutions

Moderated by Emilio di Marzio, President of ANDISU & President of ADISURC Campania and Vice-President of ECStA

- **GABRIELE VERZA,** ANDISU General Secretary & Director of ESU Padova Member of the Commission DM 481/2024 (Italy): "The impact of the provisions of the Italian ministerial decree DM 481/2024 on university residences managed by the Italian agencies for student affairs."
- MANUELA MANENTI, Extraordinary Commissioner for University Housing, Italian Ministry of Universities and Research (MUR): "University Housing, a new tool to align Italian residential offerings with European standards numbers and targets of Ministerial Decree DM 481/2024"
- MAURIZIO CARVELLI, President of the Italian University Residences Association(REUNI):
  "Collaboration between public and private operators as a strategic element in the university housing system"
- **ROBERTA PIANO,** President of EDISU Piemonte: "University Residence in the Piedmont Region Current Situation and Development Prospects"
- **MATTHIAS ANBUHL,** DSW Chairman of the Board & ECStA President: "Strategic opportunities in the German Federal housing programme "Young Living" and challenges for implementation by the student service agencies (the STWs)"
- Discussion and conclusions

19:00 Free time

20:00 Dinner hosted by the DSU Toscana Catering Service

### Wednesday, November 19

#### 9:00 Workshop 3 – Sustainability in University Residences

Moderated by Enrico Carpitelli, Director of DSU Tuscany

- **SILVIA BIAGI** Head of the Technical Service for the Design of New Works, DSU Tuscany: "The experience of DSU Tuscany in the sustainability of buildings, in line with the Directive on the energy performance of buildings (2010/31/EU).
  - Strategies to reduce energy consumption, carbon footprint and resource use in student accommodation and university facilities"
- **SIMONE FOGLIO President DiscoLazio (Italy)** "Energy sustainability in the world of the right to education: efficiency and other solutions by DiSCo Lazio"







- ANTOINE BLOQUET Head of property asset management at the Crous of Reims: "The sustainability in university housing: a job for everyone, from the architect to the user" The revised Energy Efficiency Directive raises the European ambition on energy efficiency. This objective, coupled with the necessity for improved cost efficiency in university housing, requires the shared responsibility of everyone involved in the building process. Concerns about climate change has to redefine the way we consider construction and building processes, and include the vision of the final user at conception.
- MARIE-AMELIE MINNAERT, Student Housing Department, Artevelde University of Applied Sciences, Ghent (Belgium): "Sustainable Student Housing 2024: Balancing Affordability and Innovation" Working on a new student housing project built in 2024 with a strong focus on sustainability, the building combines solar panels, heat pumps, and a wadi to significantly reduce energy consumption. The benefits of low energy cost are integrated into the entire portfolio of student residences. In this way, we create a sustainable balance between affordability and investments in new and innovative technologies. This project can serve as an inspiration precisely because it makes both the opportunities and the dilemmas of strategic sustainability planning visible.
- Discussion and conclusions
- 10:30 Coffee Break
- 11:00 Guided tour of the David Sassoli Residence
- 13.00 Lunch at the "Calamandrei" cafeteria (reserved area)
- 15:00 Departure or participants and/or guided tour of the city of Florence