





ECStA Study Visit to Tuscany

Sustainability & University Housing

November 18-19, 2025 in Firenze

Practical Information

Contents: The study visits of the ECStA aim to share innovative solutions and good practices among professionals in student affairs in Europe in the relevant fields.

The key topics of this meeting are:

- good practices in environmental, food, and energy sustainability in services for students;
- opportunities for development in public university housing, with particular references to the National & Regional Partnership Plans (NRPPs) of the European Commission

The meeting aims to promote a constructive dialogue among institutional representatives, agencies responsible for implementing the Right to University Education as guaranteed by the Italian constitution (right to education = student services), and European partners, in order to identify common strategies and replicable models.

Duration: 2 days (including a guided tour of a student residence and a canteen)

Location: Auditorium Sant'Apollonia (25 Via San Gallo 25, Florence) in downtown Florence, Italy

Dates: 18 and 19 November 2025, please note that the morning of November 18th is

dedicated to the ECStA's General Assembly meeting, which is only open to ECStA

members and invited guests

Participation: Participation is open to all student affairs staff with a professional interest in the

subjects. The event is particularly recommended for all ECStA member institutions, their networks and statt and for ANDISU members and associated agencies such as DSU Toscana Chair, Board, Management, and staff. The auditorium is suitable for a

total of approximately 50 people.

Accommodation: Up to 15 places (free of charge, at the invitation of DSU Toscana) are available in a

DSU Toscana residence. Allocation is based on the order of registration. More

information on the exact location will follow.

Registration: Please register by 10 November 2025 online here >> Registration form (The language

can be switched in the top right corner of the form from German to English.)







Languages: Simultaneous translation of presentations into English and Italian will be provided. The tours will be translated consecutively. Further translation options to be confirmed and on prior request only.

Costs:

- Travel expenses are to be covered by the participants.
- Up to 15 places (free of charge, at the invitation of DSU Toscana) are available in a DSU Toscana residence. Allocation is based on the order of registration. More information on the exact location will follow.
- Food and Dining will be provided by DSU Toscana through its catering services.
- A participation fee will be charged. The participation fee is €150.00 for ECStA members and their network (i.e. DSW, CNOUS, and others), and €300.00 for non-members (external parties, private suppliers, etc.).

Travel arrangements:

Florence is well connected via the <u>Trenitalia</u> network. Please consider traveling by train whenever possible to support climate-friendly mobility.

Florence Airport (Amerigo Vespucci) is relatively small, but if you arrive there, Tramway Line 2 provides a direct connection to Firenze Santa Maria Novella train station in approximately 20 minutes.

Alternatively, you may find more direct flight options to Pisa or Bologna airports. From both cities, Florence can be reached conveniently by train or car within 60–90 minutes.

Airport Firenze: https://firenze-airport.it/en/

Airport Pisa: https://pisa-airport.it/en/

Airport Bologna: https://www.bologna-airport.it/en/welcome-to-bologna-airport/?idC=62175