





MICROCREDIT IDENTITY A two days conference to be held in Bologna University on the 16th and 17th of May 2013

Microcredit and its identity is a hot point in the discussion on microcredit practice and philosophy. Lots of considerations have been developed as well as different applications of the idea.

We can consider this innovation as a turning point in the field of banking, better said "ethical banking".

The same for what concerns charity and related issues. It is not surprising so, that such a border line idea meets difficulties in the process of framing its identity.

Microcredit practice was first started in Bangladesh, in the so called developing part of the world. What it means to import such an idea in the other part of the world where Welfare application and theory are so embedded, is something very important to discuss as this intertwining is very special; mostly in Europe.

These cultural aspects and adaptations of the model have contributed a great deal to this variegated land.

The aim of microcredit is to fight poverty and poverty more easily applies to deprived people. This implies the logical consequence that the persons who can get most advantage from this practice are people that need support. The support can be seen in its tangible concreteness but, at the same time, in its relational aspects; both being entangled one another.

How to understand the process and its better solutions and how to apply it and to whom and in which circumstances is one of the main questions that we will try to answer during this conference.

Interdisciplinary will be a key word; colleagues from the field of Law, Economics, Anthropology, Psychology will bring their considerations and findings in the light of a research that is dealt by Fondazione Grameen Italia a body created by Bologna University, Grameen Trust and UniCredit Foundation.

Evaluation and research on outcome, monitoring of the process, training for operators are other key concepts on which we would like to discuss in those days.

The most distinguished persons from all around the world involved in the Microcredit field have been invited to discuss on such an important subject.

We invite you all to come and provide your valuable contribution with the aim to generate common ideas focusing on this transcultural challenge.

Prof. Huzzat I. Latifee Chair Prof. Luisa Brunori Vice Chair

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Conference Programme

16thof May Aula Magna, Faculty of Economics, P.zza Scaravilli 2.

11.00 – 11.30 Welcome Speech by Honorable Committee

I.Dionigi Rector of Bologna *R.Graziano* Ente Nazionale per il Microcredito *P. Bianchi* Regione Emilia Romagna *M.Carrara* UniCredit Foundation

Chair: L. Brunori, Unibo

11.30 – 12.30 Grameen Microcredit Model in Developed Countries

S.Newaz Grameen America S. Rahman, Fondazione Grameen Italia

12.30 – 13.00 Questions and Answers

13.00 – 14.30 Lunch

14.30 – 16.00 The Multidisciplinary Research: Potentiality of Microcredit

Fondazione Grameen Italia Research: Objective, Methodology and First Steps. *G.Bonaga, D.Ferraguti, C.Bleve, F. Pellegrini* (Junior Researchers, GIF) **Microcredit Regulation** *Katherine Hunt* Junior Researcher, GIF

16.00 – 17.00 United Nations Perspective and Microcredit Summit Campaign

From Microcredit to Polis S.D.Harris Past President of Microcredit Summit Campaign
The Seal of Excellence L.Reed President of Microcredit Summit Campaign
United Nations Perspective T.Stelzer United Nations

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17.00 – 17.15 Coffee Break

17.15 – 18.15 Microcredit: Rules and Regulation

R.Basso, Banca d'Italia *R.Graziano* Ente Nazionale per il Microcredito *F.Salviato*, SEFEA

Chair: M. Lamandini, Unibo

 $18.15-18.30 \ \textbf{Conclusion}$

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17thof May Sala Ulisse, Accademia delle Scienze, Via Zamboni 31.

9.30 – 10.30 Monitoring Project by Ente Nazionale per il Microcredito

B. Ancilli Ente Nazionale per il Microcredito *Monitoring Project Researchers* Ente Nazionale per il Microcredito

Chair: Ente M.La Torre, UniRoma

10.30 – 11.45 Microcredit in Italy: Practitioners

F. Francese, PerMicro Bologna*M. Calabrò*, Etimos Foundation*M. Manduchi*, Eticredito*G. Magnani*, AUSL di Modena

11.45 – 12.00 Coffee Break

12.00 – 13.00 Microcredit and Anthropology among Culture, Religion and Welfare

Inclusione Sociale e Inclusione Finanziaria F. Zanotelli, UniSi La Finanza Islamica. G.M. Baudo, COREIS "Dall'Iniqua ricchezza al vincolo di solidarietà" V.Porcasi, Unicusano Roma

Chair: G. Guerzoni, Unibo

13.00 - 13.30 Questions and Answers

13.30 – 15.00 Lunch

15.00 – 16.30 The Social Business

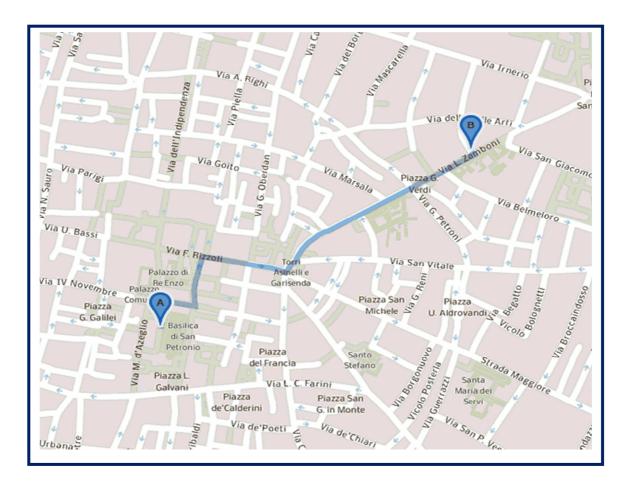
Historical Development of "Social Business" in Italy S. Rahman, Fondazione Grameen Italia
The cooperative movement P. Bergamini, CIDES
Design for social business M.B. Randone, Istituto Europeo di Design (IED)

Chair: E. Giovannetti, UniMore

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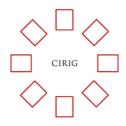
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