



The “ECOSTEAM” project partnership announces the

International Conference “Education for sustainable cities”

29/05/2025

In presence at CESVOT (Address: Ricasoli 9, Florence)
&
Online (the link will be communicated upon registration)

Background

More than half the population in the world live in urban areas and big cities are increasingly vulnerable to environmental issues connected to climate change and face many social issues. Promoting sustainable choices and management of resources has become of crucial importance to make human settlements resilient and safe. We believe that the younger generations all over the world can greatly contribute to making our cities and societies more sustainable and the **European Erasmus+ project ECOSTEAM (<https://www.ecosteam.net/>) has worked with secondary schools to increase knowledge and awareness on ecological behaviours.** The educational approach adopted in the ECOSTEAM project was based on effective methodologies such as **Inquiry Based Learning, Project-Based Learning and Integrated STEAM.** Three pilot schools in Europe have successfully implemented this approach through learning units which investigated different aspects of energy, waste and water management and urban mobility management.

Aims and themes

In the framework of the project, the partnership has launched this international conference to gather **educational experiences from all over the world on education on urban sustainability,** promoting the best experiences on core topics connected to **interdisciplinary education** with **emphasis on sustainable energy, waste and water management, and urban mobility.**



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The themes of the conference will include:

- Education, experiential learning and active citizenship on urban issues and best practices related to energy, waste and water management, urban mobility, urban design;
- Innovative education (e.g. Inquiry Based Learning for STEM, Project-Based Learning, Problem-Based Learning, Integrated STEAM, ICT and mobile games etc.);
- Science and Civic Journalism experiences in school education;
- ICT and mobile game design for the sustainable use of resources.

Targeted organisations

- Secondary schools, NGOs with educators and learning facilitators
- Urban facilities, municipalities, professionals and NGOs on sustainable development
- Public or private organisations providing ICT-enhanced learning
- Social partners and policy makers in school education
- Academics and students with an interest in STEAM, pedagogical innovation, communication, environmental education, with interest in urban studies, management of water, waste, energy and urban mobility.

Participation

The participation in the conference is free of charge.

It is possible to participate as an audience, with the possibility to interact with the speakers, or as a speaker, by sending a contribution (extended abstract or short paper). Details for the submission of contributions can be found below.

Registration to the conference:

To register to the conference, please, use this link to the [REGISTRATION FORM](#) by the 10th of May.

Contribution:

Conference Proceedings will be published with the contributions written in English and following the instructions inside the templates.



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Type of contribution	Deadline
Abstract (500 characters), in Word format, followed by a short paper. Please, use the template at this link (click here to access the file , then click on File (left side of the menu bar) and download it)	10th of May
Extended abstract (around 3000 characters) in Word format with a graph or a figure. Please, use the template at this link (click here to access the file , then click on File (left side of the menu bar) and download it)	10th of May
Short paper in Word format of maximum 6 pages with graphs and/or pictures. Please, use the template at this link (click here to access the file , then click on File (left side of the menu bar) and download it)	30th of May

Templates are downloadable also from this Dropbox folder:

<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/9lqoge10ngw30ukctqy41/AIFdVpr2G8KZailwCMhMgoA?rlkey=re54msdsunqpl7bgq8ylafeda&st=x8oyswhq&dl=0>

Submission of the contribution:

Please, use the link to the [REGISTRATION AND SUBMISSION FORM](#) to upload any material.

Important deadlines

Registration and submission of abstract or extended abstract: May 10, 2025

Submission of the short papers: from May 10 to May 30, 2025

Conference date: 29 May (in presence and online)

Publication

The abstracts will be assessed by the scientific committee and decisions will be notified to authors soon after submission or at latest by the 15th of May.

Extended abstracts and short papers will be published by ©Cnr Edizioni in a digital book with ISBN and DOI by the 30th of June 2025.

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