

SDSN and SDSN Youth

In 2012, UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon launched the UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) to mobilize global scientific and technological expertise to promote practical problem solving for sustainable development, including the design and implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). SDSN is structured as a global network of universities, research centres, civil society organization, and other knowledge institutions to support the implementation of the SDGs. A strong commitment at the local level has been theorized as strategic for the achievement of solutions for global challenges. Accordingly several thematic and National/Regional Networks support the localization of SDGs and their implementation. Into this framework, SDSN Mediterranean is one of the SDSN Regional Networks and it is hosted by the University of Siena. It fosters global SDSN activities within the Mediterranean Area by developing and promoting knowledge, research, solutions, policies and public education.

SDSN Youth, launched in 2015, is the global youth division of the SDSN, a new initiative to amplify the tremendous energy and capabilities of youth in generating broader buy-in for the SDGs by mobilizing resources and building capacity to empower action. Through education and global cooperation, SDSN Youth provides a global platform to advocate for change and offer solutions for achieving the SDGs.

The role of SDSN Youth Network Coordinator

Network Coordinator is the official manager of SDSN Youth within his/her network and country/region. He/She serves as the link between SDSN Youth and the Regional/National SDSN Chair/Manager. He/She has responsibilities on management, engagement and reporting for the Network, in an estimated breakdown of about 15-18 hours per week. At the same time he/she benefits of this position thanks to the impact it might have for his/her career (work with some influential businesses, academic institutions, governments and civil society bodies) and to the opportunity to work with a diverse and exceptional group of individuals with a variety of cultural, religious and political backgrounds, committed to sustainable development.

The call

SDSN Mediterranean is seeking a young, talented and passionate individual for the role of SDSN Youth Network Coordinator within its hosting institution, the University of Siena.

Terms and conditions:

1. Location:
 - Siena
2. Eligibility criteria:
 - to be enrolled in a Master Course Degree or in a PhD course of the University of Siena or to have a regular research or collaboration contract with the University of Siena;
 - to have a good command of the English language;
 - to be aged between 21-30
 - to be able to commit at least between 15-18 hours per week for this role
3. Period:
 - From April 1st 2017 to March 31st 2018 (renewable after the positive opinion of SDSN Med Chair and Manager).
4. Deadline for applications:
 - 27 March 2017

How to apply:

Candidates must email a motivation letter accompanied by their CV, **by 27 March 2017** to:

Fabrizio Saladini, SDSN Youth Network Coordinator - fabrizio.saladini@sdsnyouth.org, and
Simone Cresti, SDSN Mediterranean project manager – simone.cresti@unisi.it.

Eligible candidates with profiles of particular interest will be contacted for a colloquia.