# **REBUILD Partners**

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البحث والتعليم لبناء المؤسسات الحضرية للتنمية المحلية

**Research and Education** Building **Urban Institutions** for Local **Development** 

**REBUILD** - Research and Education Building Urban Institutions for Local Development is a project financed by the European Union through the Call for Proposals 2020 Local Authorities: Partnerships for Sustainable Cities. The partners (co-applicants) are ten Libyan municipalities (Azzawiya, Benghazi, Beni Walid, Gharyan, Sabha, Sirte, Tobruk, Tripoli Centre, Zintan, and Zliten), two European local authorities (the Autonomous Province of Trento - coordinator - and the Autonomous Region Friuli Venezia Giulia) and an affiliated body, the International Cooperation Centre. It builds on the work started in 2017 within the framework of the Nicosia Initiative - platform of cooperation developed by the European Committee of the Regions between European and Libyan cities and regions - and, in particular, on the experience of its continuous learning component.

## **Activities**

The **REBUILD** activities are structured around three main pillars:

- Capacity building to Libyan municipalities on the basis of a curriculum based on a Territorial Approach to Local Development (TALD) through:
  - Training of Trainers (TOT) addressing 10 Libyan universities
  - Training delivered by Libyan universities to Libyan municipalities (local administrators, civil servants)
- Establish and facilitate a community of practices whereby municipalities can exchange and share good practices with each other and with other national and international actors.
- Implementation of two **pilot projects** (in the field 63 of fishery and waste management) to test the theoretical and practical skills acquired in the capacity building activities.

# Approach

Training on local development as a broad learning environment, within which each territory values its own specificities, thinks and activates around them thanks to the encounter with other realities.

The guiding concept is that of territorial capital in its dimensions of cognitive capital, social capital, ecosystemic capital and infrastructural capital: the focus is centered on understanding how this multifaceted collective resource is used by the community to pursue change objectives which contribute to both public and private goods to obtain benefits at the community level.

The hypothesis is that it is the strong relationships between territories and communities that allow the emergence of strategies capable of embracing the different dimensions that make up local development. With a central role of the local authority, in the Libyan context the municipalities. Promoting training on local development means imagining an innovative training course, where training and action come together, aimed at decision makers, managers and officials involved in the development of their territory, interested in the international dimension.

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#### **Objectives**

Strengthen local public services in Libya through a permanent training mechanism delivered by Libyan universities to Libyan municipalities

## **Overall objective**

Strengthen competences within Libyan partner municipalities

Support decentralization process in Libya by setting a sustainable learning framework to improve local governance performances and impact

Build and institutionalize a decentralized, University based, continuous learning system for Libyan Municipalities

Specific objectives Establish a community of practices among Libyan and foreign local authorities promoting exchanges and sharing of practice, knowledge and expertise

#### Empower Libyan Municipalities to:

(A) effectively **lead** and implement the decentralization policies in their territories; (B) become a representative and **accountable** political and administrative reference for the people in their constituencies; (C) provide inclusive basic services to local residents in the areas coming under their remit; (D) define and lead a territorial strategy for local economic development