



Activity Report 2015

Lunaria

Association of social promotion founded in 1992

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Lunaria is an association of social promotion born in Rome in 1992. It promotes the "principles of justice and social and economic solidarity, democratic participation in community life, the promotion of civil, social and human rights at national and international level" (article 3 of the Statute).

To contribute to the realization of these principles the association carries out international voluntary activities, youth work, training, information and research on migration and racism, alternative economy and other global movements.

Lunaria promotes human rights and equal opportunities to build a more equal world in which:

- Human rights are more relevant than the interests of the major economic powers;
- Assets, rights and basic services are guaranteed to everybody;
- Social commitment and solidarity do not become business;
- Information is free and independent;
- Rights of citizenship are independent from nationalities.

Lunaria is an association independent and autonomous from political parties and it finances its activities thanks to the contributions of public and private institutions, the European Commission and the members.

The type of activities and the approach to its mission characterizes its international orientation and attitude to networking.

Lunaria has a staff of 12 people supported by a network of over 35 permanent volunteers who support the office work. The structure, small and agile, is represented by an Executive Committee composed of the President, the Vice-President and three members elected by the Assembly.

Migration and the fight against racism

Since 1996 Lunaria promotes research, public awareness campaigns and information initiatives on the issues of migration and racism. All activities are supported by an extensive network with local, national and European organizations.

Social research and analysis are conceived as fundamental instruments to support initiatives and campaigns aimed to defend the rights of migrants and tackle discriminations, racism and xenophobia, as well as to advance sound proposals for alternative and sustainable public policies. This approach has allowed to develop an in-depth understanding of the migration phenomenon, not only regarding the reality of Rome and Italy but also Europe, with particular reference to the processes of inclusion-exclusion in the labour market, the serious barriers that prevent immigrants access to social services (the House, health services) and the evolution of contemporary forms of racism.

2011-2015	www.cronachediordinariorazzismo.org , communication, learning and information website specifically dedicated to racism and managed by Lunaria in collaboration with individuals, associations and movements fighting for gender equality and the guarantee of the rights of citizenship for all. The project was initiated with the contribution of the Open Society Institute.
2013-2015	Eudim: managing cultural diversity in small and medium sized organization. The project, funded by the European Commission DG Justice, had the objective of analyzing "cultural diversity" management policies adopted by medium-sized companies in Italy, Spain, Germany and Austria and to develop some recommendations for policy makers.
2014-2016	Together. Empowering civil society and law enforcement agencies to make hate crimes visible. The project, funded by the European Commission's DG-Justice aims to develop cooperation between civil society organizations and law enforcement agencies in locating, monitoring, complaint and preventing hate crimes, through training, information and networking activities.
2015	Watchdog. The project, supported by the Open Society Institute, has experimented the launch of an Observatory on the institutional debate on immigration, asylum, the fight against discrimination and racism. An online database collection of legislation, questions, interpellations and agendas has been created. Short articles has offered a contribution to the reconstruction of the institutional debate on these issues. The monitoring results have been compiled in a final report submitted to the Chamber of Deputies.
2015-2016	LasciateCIEntrare Campaign. Lunaria is member of the campaign "LasciateCIEntrare" (Let us enter), born in May of 2011 by some sectors of civil society and the National Federation of press and the Order of Journalists, in response to the dispatch 1305/2011 issued by the Minister of the Interior banning the entry of journalists and of most of the associations in Identification and Expulsion Centres (CIE). As a result of actions carried out by the campaign, in December 2011, the dispatch has been withdrawn. The work of the campaign continues monitoring human rights violations in CIE and accomodation centers for refugees. By 2016 the campaign receives the support of Open Society Foundation.
2015	Carta di Roma. Lunaria, along with other 16 civil society organizations, is one of the founders of the Association's of Carta di Roma (Card of Rome), founded on December 2011 with the goal of implementing the Journalist's Code of Conduct on immigration, signed by the National Council of Journalists (CNOG) and the National Federation of the Italian Press (FNSI) in June 2008. Carta di Roma wants to raise awareness in information operators of the importance to hire a greater correctness on the treatment of news related to immigration, asylum and minorities, also thanks to the implementation of training course, monitoring of the press through the Observatory of Rome's Paper and reporting to national associations of journalists violations of ethical protocol.

International volunteering

During 2015, Lunaria has involved 459 Italian volunteers in international volunteer camps and hosted 235 foreign volunteers in its workcamps in Italy. It was possible thanks to the collaboration with various associations belonging to the network Alliance of European Voluntary Service Organisations: <http://www.alliance-network.eu>, whose is part Lunaria. Alliance brings together over 50 organizations that promote international volunteering worldwide.

In Italy, Lunaria collaborates with various local organizations and active associations in society that include, in its activities, a short-term volunteer project making use of international voluntary collaboration.

Lunaria also promotes experiences of medium and long-term volunteering, such as the European Voluntary Service and volunteer projects, both individual and group, targeted adults.

1992-2015	<p>International volunteering Since 1992, Lunaria promotes international volunteer activities opened to everyone, which consists of workcamps (2/3 collective experiences of short duration-weeks) and in individual mobility of medium and long term (1-12 months). Every year Lunaria organizes about 30 projects in Italy and involves about 400 people in workcamps abroad and about 300 in Italy. Since 2013, Lunaria organizes volunteer workcamps for minors, responding to a growing interest by families and schools towards this type of learning experiences.</p>
2014-2015	<p>I've. The two-year project aims at promoting the recognition of skills acquired in international volunteering. This is a strategic partnership of Erasmus +, co-founded by the the National Youth Agency.</p>
2014-2015	<p>Act 80+. According to Eurostat data, the 40% of EU octogenarians is healthy, independent and motivated to participate in active citizenship. Lunaria is a partner of the EU Erasmus plus programme Active80 project dedicated to the enhancement of knowledge and skills of people with more than 80 years of age.</p>
2014-2015	<p>Forage. The project <i>ForAge. Learning at older ages</i> was completed in 2015 and Lunaria was the italian partner. Forage was supported by the EU Grundtvig programme and aimed at spreading information and best practices related to active ageing.</p>
2014-2015	<p>ComeON! Two generations for social innovation. Lunaria has been partner of the project funded by EU Grundtvig programme led by the Fondazione Mondo Digitale, which experienced the interactions between youth and seniors in the development of innovative projects for the community. Through intergenerational learning modules, designed to motivate and activate cooperation between the two groups, have adopted participatory methodologies and digital platforms to embody the multiple dimensions of civic engagement and of the "education for life", Anglo-Saxon declination of the concept of education for complexity and relations, of which the volunteer is a terrific tool.</p>

Youth exchange, training and youth initiatives

Lunaria promotes training for youngsters and intercultural exchanges and initiatives at local, national and European level. Learning is conceived as a process that lasts a lifetime and is developed with different tools and methods.

Lunaria activities aim at facilitating the acquisition of new theoretical knowledge, practical, interpersonal and soft skills: the ability to work in a team, to interact with others, opportunity to learn languages, intercultural dialogue and to exchange of experiences. Peer education, knowledge and exchange of experiences among peers and learning by doing are key elements of Lunaria working method.

During 2015, Lunaria involved in youth exchanges, training courses and youth initiatives in Italy and abroad about 320 young people, social and youth workers.

2014-2015	Unveiling stories. The training course, funded by the National Youth Agency, aimed at raising awareness of a group of 30 young people from 8 European countries on the theme of racism and xenophobia.
2014-2015	Jambo. Young women empowerment to improve quality of youth work and volunteering in eu and partner countries. The Capacity Building, funded by the National Youth Agency, project included information activities, training and awareness-raising in Italy, France, Spain, Uganda, Kenya and Tanzania aimed at promoting women's empowerment and gender equality. In addition, the project has allowed to develop new non-formal education methods for different local contexts.
2014-2015	Art for civil society dialogue. The project was funded by the European Union under the cultural exchange programme between the EU and Turkey. A week of joint work and cultural exchange between EU and Turkish artists, in interaction with the Faculty of Arts of the University of Denizli, in order to create some artworks on the topic of combating discriminations that were donated to the local museum.
2014-2015	Together. Enhancing youth and csos political culture and democratic participation. The project aimed at developing the knowledge of NGOs and Turk youngsters of European policies and the related opportunities to enhance active citizenship among young people. The project was financed by European action Political Criteria Grant Scheme (CSD-III/PC), Civil Society Dialogue Between EU And Turkey – III.
2015-2016	Pandora's box young women, community development through eu and la cooperation. The Capacity Building project, started in 2015 and ending in 2016, aims to continue the work in the field of women empowerment and gender equality previously started with Jambo. The countries involved are Italy, France, Spain, Mexico, Ecuador and Peru. The project was funded by EACEA Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency – Erasmus +
2014-2015	The perfect match. Training program to overcome boundaries. The project realized in 2015 allowed to engage young people with and without visual disabilities, social workers and young people active in the field of disability. Through two training courses it has been possible to develop new methods of non-formal education and outdoor techniques to make projects more inclusive. The project was funded by the Youth National Agency under the programme Erasmus +.
2015	Informagiovani of Venice. Lunaria handled until August 2015, after 11 years of collaboration with the Venice City Council and other local organizations, youth information management in Venice. The service was managed with an innovative and participatory approach and has enabled thousands of young men and women to build a part of your future.

Sbilanciamoci!

The Sbilanciamoci! Campaign

Since 1999, more than 46 civil society organizations have come together - on the initiative of Lunaria- in Sbilanciamoci!, a campaign to commit to a equal economy and a new model of development based on rights, respect for the environment and promotion of peace. A detailed analysis of National Financial Laws is aimed to orient public policies towards the realization of the principles of solidarity, equality, sustainability and peace. Sbilanciamoci! assumes that it is necessary to radically change the perspective of public policies, to reverse the economic and social agenda in order to put the focus on solidarity, rights of the people and to protect the environment. In its 15 years of activity, the campaign has developed research tools, critical analysis and proposals and organized dozens of public initiatives. For information: www.sbilanciamoci.org.

Sbilanciamoci.info

The site www.sbilanciamoci.info borns thanks to the activity of Sbilanciamoci! is a communication tool on economic alternatives promoted by a group of economists, researchers, journalists, students, social workers, trade unionists and linked to the network of associations, organizations and social movements. The site aims to re-balance the distribution of information on economic policy in the globalized economy and rethinking the agenda of the economic policy objectives focusing on the urgency of climate change and social inequalities. From 2011, sbilanciamoci.info started the publication of e-books, now available online as free downloads. For information: www.sbilanciamoci.info.

2015	Report 2015. How to use government spending for rights, peace and the environment. Annual report of Sbilanciamoci! on 2016 National Financial Law It has been financed by the 8x1000 of the Waldensian Church.
2014-2015	Open Budget Index. Sbilanciamoci! collaborates in drafting the Italian section of Open Budget study, World report on transparency of the budget.
2014-2015	Web-COSI. Project funded by the European Commission within the seventh framework programme, to develop people's familiarity with data and statistics. Promoted by ISTAT, OECD, Lunaria and i-genius seeks to encourage the use of social statistics beyond GDP "statistics for all".
2014-2015	If you tie, you lose Campaign. Popular Law aiming at ruling out the compulsory budget balance in the Italian Constitution.
2014-2015	Another defense is possible Campaign. Popular Law aiming at favouring the establishment of a Department of civil, unarmed and non-violent defense at the Presidency of the Council.
2011-2015	Wealth project. Project supported by the European Union under the ENPI CBC MED cooperative programme aimed to the creation of a Euro-Mediterranean network among institutions and civil society partners. Wealth was focused on strengthening territorial socio-economic development supporting according to the needs of local communities.
2015	Isigrowth. The project aims to promote a more equitable and sustainable growth, through the interaction among universities partners and Civic Action Network, a network of civil society that will translate analysis into concrete proposals for policy. Lunaria manages communication and dissemination of the project supported by the European Union under the Horizon 2020 programme.
2015	Summer School: how the economy is and how it can change. Second Edition of the Summer School organized by the Department of Economics, society and politics (DESP) of the University of Urbino in collaboration with Sbilanciamoci! The residential school is a cultural project which aims to analyze economic and social issues and related public policies.

Publications

2015	XVII Rapporto Sbilanciamoci! Come usare la spesa pubblica per i diritti, la pace e l'ambiente (XVII Sbilanciamoci! Report: how to use government spending for rights, peace and the environment) . The report is printed, and online on www.sbilanciamoci.org .
2015	Workers Act: le politiche per chi lavora e per chi vorrebbe lavorare. Policies for workers and for those who would like to work. The dossier, result of a collective work, is a proposal and analysis of public policies at work. The report is printed, and online on www.sbilanciamoci.org .
2015	Lunaria (curated by), Watch dog. Immigrazione, asilo, diritti di cittadinanza, discriminazioni e razzismo nel dibattito parlamentare. Immigration, asylum, citizenship rights, discrimination and racism in the parliamentary debate. The report is printed, and online on www.cronachediordinariorazzismo.org , www.lunaria.org .
2015	Euromemorandum 2015 (e-book): Translation of the italian Euromemorandum 2015 Report, free download on www.sbilanciamoci.info .
2015	Grecia-Europa: cambiare è possibile. Greece-Europe: change is possible. (e-book): From the winning of the Syriza coalition in January 2015 to the referendum of July, a documented chronicle history of the the case of Greece, curated by Sbilanciamoci.info and Il Manifesto. Free download on sbilanciamoci.info .
2015	La crisi in Grecia. Le analisi di Sbilanciamo l'Europa. The crisis in Greece. The analyses of Sbilanciamo l'Europa. (pdf): all issues of <i>Sbilanciamo l'Europa</i> on the case of Greece, gathered in a pdf, in free download on sbilanciamoci.info .
2015	Sbilanciamo l'Europa (weekly extra to the newspaper Il Manifesto): four pages of analysis about European news and scenarios, curated by the editors of sbilanciamoci.info , every Friday with the newspaper Il Manifesto, for 73 issues.
2015	Jambo - young women empowerment to improve quality of youth work and volunteering in eu and partner countries. The toolkit contains a detailed description of the project and of all non-formal education methodologies used during three training courses.
2015	The perfect match: training program to overcome boundaries. Toolkit online containing a detailed description of the methods of non-formal education and outdoor techniques used during two training courses.
2015	The recognition players: different perspectives on the volunteers competences and their recognition and validation, from the different sectors and geographical perspectives. Youth work, volunteering, recognition and employability: definition and recognizing competences. Desk and field reports fulfilled within the project I'VE aimed at understand the methods of assessment and recognition of skills developed and acquired during volunteer projects, we wanted to engage the volunteers themselves, the project coordinators, organizers and managers of international networks. After studying the literature on the subject of competencies in the context of volunteering with desk research, was conducted a search on the field which saw volunteers protagonists, and that made it possible to build a system of recognition of skills.

Active web sites

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Events

24/1/2015, Milan: <i>Human Factor, seminar Against the budget balance: renegotiate the debt and rethinking the euro. A 'GreenNew Deal' for Europe.</i> Contribution of Sbilanciamoci!.
26/1/2015, Rome: <i>Third white book on racism in Italy.</i> Presentation at Auditorium Santa Croce, (organized by Action Diritti in Movimento and Spin Time Lab).
5/2/2015, Milan: <i>Third white book on racism in Italy.</i> Presentation at Casa dei diritti.
19/02/2015, Rome: <i>Stop, the war is not the solution.</i> Press conference to present <i>Fermatevi, la guerra non è la soluzione</i> , joint paper of Rete della Pace, Sbilanciamoci! and Rete Italiana per il Disarmo.
15/3/2015, Ravenna: <i>Third white book on racism in Italy.</i> Presentation in the context of the Action week against racism.
8/4/2015, Taranto: <i>Third white book on racism in Italy.</i> Presentation in collaboration with Centro Interculturale Nelson Mandela, Comune di Taranto and Associazione Salam.
12/04/2015, Rome: <i>Raccontiamola Giusta.</i> Participation at the two days workshop and storytelling to build the Network of solidarity economy of Rome and Lazio.
20/04/2015, Rome: <i>The economic and financial Document 2015: analysis and proposals.</i> Partecipation Sbilanciamoci! to the day of learning on the economic and financial Document 2015.
2014/2015, Rome: <i>Stop the disaster, now!</i> Participation to the sit-in at Montecitorio square against migrants massacres in the sea, for opening humanitarian channels and reactivating research and rescue programme.
23/04/2015, Rome: <i>Industrial policy in Italy.</i> Participation of Sbilanciamoci!
22-24/05/2015, Poggio Mirteto (RI): <i>Training for workcamps coordinators.</i> Twenty-two participants in the seminar on the learning of techniques and methods for handling group dynamics and intercultural exchange.
25/05/2015, Rome: <i>Third white book on racism.</i> Presentation at Libreria Alegre
04/06/2015, Rome: <i>Workers Act. Policies for workers and for those who would like to work.</i> Press conference of Sbilanciamoci! to present the book <i>Workers Act</i> .
20/6/2015, Rome: <i>Stop the disaster, now!</i> Lunaria, in cooperation with a network of national organizations, promoted a mobilization in Colosseo square, on the occasion of the world day for the rights of refugees and migrants.
03/07/2015, Modena: <i>The Workers Act. Policies for workers and for those who would like to work.</i> Presentation of Sbilanciamoci! at Camera del lavoro.
03/09/2015, Brescia: <i>Welfare o providence? The future of social policy.</i> Presentation of Sbilanciamoci! in the context of the Cgil celebration.
7-11/9/2015, Urbino: Second edition of the summer residential school sponsored by the Department of Economics, society and politics (DESP) at the University of Urbino in collaboration with Sbilanciamoci!
09/09/2015, Rome: <i>Meeting with the President of the Deputy Chamber Laura Boldrini.</i> Lunaria joins the delegation of 'Marcia delle donne e degli uomini scalzi "(men's and women's running barefoot)'. 09/09/2015, Rome: <i>Marcia delle donne e degli uomini scalzi (men's and women's running barefoot).</i> Press Conference for the presentation of the event.
11/9/2015, Rome: <i>Marcia delle donne e degli uomini scalzi (men's and women's running barefoot).</i> Partecipation to the demonstration asking migrants and refugees life protection.
16/09/2015, Rome: <i>Lessons from Greece.</i> Participation to the seminar "Greece, Euro and the alternatives for

Italy", organized by the Le Belle Bandiere association.
22/09/2015, Rome: <i>Civil peace corps. Between experimentation and stabilization.</i> Partecipazione of Sbilanciamoci! to the seminar promoted by Parliamentarians for peace in collaboration with "Rete Disarmo", the "Tavolo interventi civili di pace" and the "Conferenza Nazionale Enti di Servizio Civile".
02/10/2015, Rome, Watchdog. <i>Immigration, asylum, citizenship rights, discrimination and racism in parliamentary debate.</i> Presentation of the Lunaria report at the Deputy Chamber.
02/10/2015, Rome, Stranieri per forza. <i>Sons of immigration in Italy.</i> Debate organised in the context of the "Salone dell'editoria sociale", with the participation of Lunaria, Casa editrice Else, Rete G2-, Codici.
23/10/2015, Rome: <i>Welfare, income, work. Challenges for the precarious generation.</i> Meeting organised by Sbilanciamoci.info, in the context of the "Salone dell'editoria sociale".
23/10/2015, Rome: <i>The future of work.</i> Meeting organised by Sbilanciamoci!, in the context of the presentation of the dossier Workers act at the "Salone dell'editoria sociale".
30/10/2015, Rome, Watchdog. <i>Immigration, asylum, citizenship rights, discrimination and racism in parliamentary debate.</i> Presentation of the dossier at the Appeal Court, in collaboration with the project CODA.
10/11/2015, Rome: <i>Audition of Sbilanciamoci! at Senate,</i> concerning analysis of Financial Law 2016-2018 promoted by Budget committees of Senate and Deputy Chamber.
12/11/2015, Cassino: <i>Presentation of results of the project Eudim,</i> at Campus Universitario Folcara, in the context of the presentation of the IDOS Statistical Immigration Dossier 2015.
16/11/2015, Rome: <i>We want everything for #everyone, privileges for none.</i> Participation of Sbilanciamoci! to the Press Conference for the presentation of the National day of student mobilization organized by "Link-Rete della Conoscenza".
26/11/2015, Roma: <i>Sbilanciamoci! Report 2016: how to use government spending for rights, peace and the environment.</i> Presentation of the Report organized by Sbilanciamoci!
03/12/2015, Rome: <i>The Workers Act. Policies for workers and for those who would like to work.</i> Participation of Sbilanciamoci! to a seminar organized by Oltre la Crescita association at Roma 3 University.
04/12/2015, Bologna: <i>XVII Sbilanciamoci! Report: how to use government spending for rights, peace and the environment.</i> Presentation of Sbilanciamoci! at the debate organized by Bologna al Bivio association.
11/12/2015, Rome: <i>Combating hate crimes, victim support.</i> Training workshop organized by Lunaria and the "Observatory on racism and diversity" of the Università di RomaTre" at Cesv, in the context of the european project "Together! Fighting against hatecrime".
15/12/2015, Rome: <i>Giornata Nazionale dell'Obiezione di Coscienza e del Servizio Civile National Day of objection of consciousness and civil service.</i> Participation of Sbilanciamoci! to the seminar organized by the National Civil Service Bodies Conference in collaboration with Forum Nazionale Terzo Settore, Forum Nazionale Servizio Civile, Movimento Nonviolento and Rete Italiana Disarmo.

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