



Youth and Women's Employment in the Mediterranean: Opportunities for a Greener Future

Policy recommendations from CLUSTER project

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Regulatory and Legal Complexities

- Align and **optimise existing regional policies** in green and circular economy, blue economy, and sustainable agriculture
- Build **strong legislative frameworks** that define circularity across all sectors, coordinate sectorial efforts, and gradually make circular practices the prevailing mode in the economy
- Enhance dialogue among relevant stakeholders and promote skills transfer between countries

Social Inclusion and Youth Empowerment

- Promote **youth protagonism** at all levels through participatory methods and youth quotas in executive positions
- Improve **working conditions** for young people and women in agriculture, emphasizing **social protection** and **gender-responsive strategies** to bridge the gender gap
- Build **employment policies** to expand career guidance, enhance entrepreneurial skills, offer consistent education and **adapt learning** schemes to the current needs

Sustainable Economy

- Strengthen key sectors in **Green and Circular Economy** with fiscal policies supporting small and medium-sized enterprises
- Foster **Sustainable Agriculture** by addressing current consumption and distribution patterns and strengthening community-territory relationship
- Enhance **Blue Economy profession** appeal by focusing on and adapting to the needs of young citizens

