

## **Matera 2019- European Capital of Culture**

### **OPEN DESIGN SCHOOL WORKSHOP Open call for 15 participants**

#### **Deadline: 21st of December 2015**

The Matera-Basilicata 2019 Foundation is pleased to launch an open call to participate in the first preparatory workshop for the Open Design School Matera, which will take place **from 15 January through 28 February 2016**.

As one of the cornerstones of the cultural program of Matera 2019, the Open Design School will be the first design school in Europe shaped around the principles of “Open Culture,” with a particular emphasis on the role of design as a distinctive form of cultural practice in the reconstruction processes of communities, cities and of society as a whole. ODS will be a school where one learns by doing: through a continuous process of creative exchange between art, science and technology, that is based on the idea that the sharing of knowledge must be central to the civic life of any given city. The school will be a place for interdisciplinary exchange in which learning will take place through prototyping and experimentation. It will bring together local and European designers, artists, artisans, web developers, diplomats, students, professionals and academics.

The first intensive workshop for the Open Design School workshop will take place in Matera **from 15 January through 28 February 2016**: the objective will be that of developing the concept for a highly innovative theatre/performance space inside an 18th century quarry –this space will host a portion of the activities for Matera 2019– and to contribute to the design and planning of the Open Design School and the Matera Foundation’s future site in Matera’s Sassi.

#### **WHO WE ARE LOOKING FOR**

We are looking for 15 –local, national and European– participants with different profiles : project architects, landscape architects, structural engineers, interaction designers, lighting designers, visual designers, sound designers, artists, wood artisans/carpenters/craftsmen, sociologists, photographers, filmmakers, economists and surveyors.

Attention will be paid to those with capacity to work in multidisciplinary teams and to share knowledge, as well as to understand English.

The participants are requested to attend on a full time basis the intensive workshop in Matera through its entire duration.

The selection will be made on the basis of a cover letter, resume and a mini portfolio that includes three representative works.

## **WHAT WE OFFER**

Participants will receive a reimbursement of € 1.200 and accommodation will be provided for those travelling from outside Matera .

## **SUBMISSION PROCEDURE**

Those interested can send their application –motivation letter, resume, mini portfolio– **no later than 12.00 noon on December 21st** to the email address : [ods@matera-basilicata2019.it](mailto:ods@matera-basilicata2019.it) with reference “Participants WS ODS”.

## **PRIVACY**

The Matera-Basilicata 2019 Foundation assumes the truthfulness of the information provided in the form.

The Matera-Basilicata 2019 Foundation cannot be held liable for the use of incorrect information obtained via the application form.

All the personal data collected will be processed solely according to the Law on privacy (Decreto Legislativo n.196/2003).

## **COMMUNICATION**

The results of the call will be available on the website [www.matera-basilicata2019.it](http://www.matera-basilicata2019.it) in " NOTICES AND RECOMMENDATIONS " starting from the 23rd of December 2015.

## **INFORMATIONS**

For full details, interested parties may contact the Matera - Basilicata 2019 Foundation on the telephone number +39 0835 256384 or send an email to: [ods@matera-basilicata2019.it](mailto:ods@matera-basilicata2019.it)