Communication plays an essential role in scientific projects, especially since it is possible to use social media and web platforms, to reach a wide audience. OpenCoesione is the “open-government” initiative on cohesion policies in Italy, a web platform with navigable data on public programmed resources and expenses, that allows to evaluate how the resources are used. Any citizen can enrich this platform, analysing public projects and documenting the current state with open data.

Thanks to the project “A Scuola di OpenCoesione” the platform saw the participation of 196 schools, with about 5,000 students. One of these, the high school “Liceo Scientifico Statale - Stanislao Cannizzaro” of Palermo city, focalised their researches on our Biodiversity Regional Observatory (Osservatorio della biodiversita Regione Sicilia, IAMC-CNR). We follow a team of students, named “Biosservatori”, that analysed the public project and the relative financed structure. We create six different REPORTS summarizing the results of their research in schematic way and creative elaborates. The list of output also highlights the most significant synthesis output made by students in their research: the civic monitoring report on OpenCoesione platform.

“A Scuola di OpenCoesione” is an innovative experimental project of school teaching of open government strategy of openness and transparency on development policies. The goal of A Scuola di OpenCoesione is to involve and sensitize students and teachers to the use of contents and tools to learn and monitor the projects of cohesion policies, to build interdisciplinary educational programs starting from the projects financed on their respective territories and enriching, through crowdsourcing, the information base of OpenCoesione adding information and data that are not currently available as, for example, geolocation, multimedia materials, the characteristics of the project, the physical performance of the works.

**REPORT 1:** Valorizing Biodiversity for a sustainable future

**REPORT 2:** Telling research by data and information

**REPORT 3a:** Cohesion policies at school. Civic monitoring, Open Data (Presentation at other local authorities and administrations)

**REPORT 3b:** Cohesion policies at school. Civic monitoring, Open Data (Instagram Video & Infographics)

**REPORT 4:** Cohesion policy in Italian school: civic monitoring - open data

**REPORT 5:** Interviews (Youtube video)

“Biosservatori” team committed to understanding the context in which the project of Observatory was born, the nature of the financing, the history of the project and the state of implementation. Thanks to their outputs, the team allow us to divagate our goals during last years: the creation of databases on Sicilian alien species and marine protected species, the identification of extreme importance marine areas, become protected areas in Natura 2000 network, a contribute to raising awareness on the theme of Biodiversity and on the importance of environmental protection. Final outputs are visible on web-platform [http://www.ascuoladiopencoesione.it](http://www.ascuoladiopencoesione.it)