CIHEAM Bari-Italy









Clusters initiatives in Italy: concept and national model of cluster, successful cases, participation of CIHEAM Bari in clusters

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CIHEAM Bari Networking and partnerships



The networking activities conducted by **CIHEAM Bari** involve hundreds of universities, academia and research institutions located in Italy

"SISTEMA ITALIA" (THE CASE OF ITALY)

5 RESEARCH BODIES

ORGANIZATIONS AND ENTERPRISES

68 PUBLIC AUTHORITIES

THE THIRD SECTOR AND CIVIL SOCIETY

193 Institutions



- Partnership for technical and postemergency assistance
- Partnership and network for development cooperation projects
- Institutional and multi-stakeholder partnerships
- Country-to-country relationships and joint initiatives with the private sector
- Partnership with Universities and international research institutes for scientific research and capacity building
- Partnership with United Nations (e.g. FAO) and European Institutions (e.g.: DG Research, DG DEVCO, DG Near)
- CIHEAM Alumni Networks (20.000 experts)

Some clarifications to start with...!





Clusters cannot be understood as fitting into the narrow sectoral view that most industrial policies have, but should be considered as regional ecosystems of related industries and competences featuring a broad array of inter-industry interdependencies.



□ They are defined as groups of firms, related economic actors, and institutions that are located near each other and have reached a sufficient scale to develop specialised expertise, services, resources, suppliers and skills.

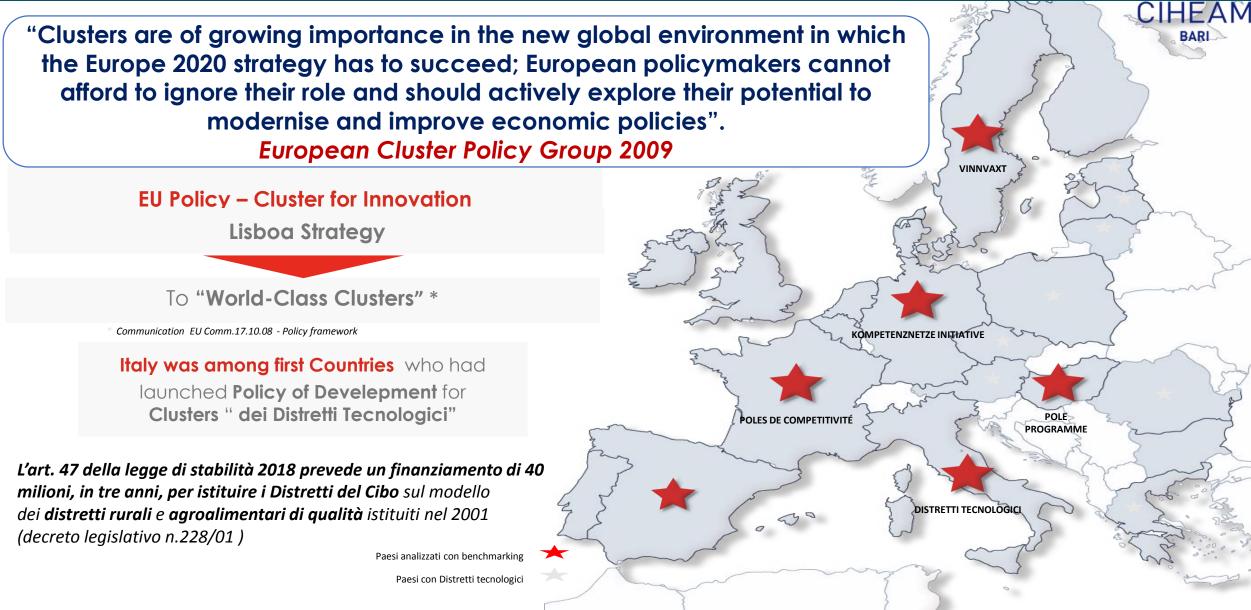


□ Clusters are referred to both as a concept and a real economic phenomenon, such as the Silicon Valley, the effects of which, such as employment concentration, can be measured – as is done by the <u>cluster</u> <u>mapping of the European Cluster Observatory</u>.



Which Cluster model?





Italy National & Regional Agri-food Clusters model?





- Promoted by MIUR in 2012 in order to generate permanent dialogue platforms between the public research system and businesses, consistent with the priorities of the European Horizon 2020 program.
- Today they represent **intermediate infrastructures** which are entrusted with the tasks of:

 to foster the cooperation of public / private research on innovation and technological development;

 rebuild national policies in sectors of strategic interest;

•favor the intelligent specialization of the territories.

Regione	Normativa	
		Disciplina dei distretti rurali e dei distretti agroalimentari di
Marche	D.leg. n. 76/12	qualità
Puglia	LR n. 10/09	Promozione e riconoscimento distretti produttivi
Lombardia	LR n. 1/07	Strumenti di competitività per le imprese e il territorio
Lazio	LR n. 3/06	Istituzione dei distretti rurali e agro-alimentari di qualità
Sicilia	LR n. 20/05	Misure per la competitività del sistema produttivo
Abruzzo	LR n. 18/05	Istituzione dei distretti rurali
Calabria	LR n. 21/04	Istituzione dei distretti rurali e agro-alimentari di qualità
Toscana	LR n. 21/04	Disciplina dei distretti rurali
	LR n.29/08	Individuazione, istituzione e disciplina dei distretti rurali e dei distretti agroalimentari di qualità
Piemonte	LR n. 26/03	Istituzione dei distretti rurali e agro-alimentari di qualità
Veneto	LR n. 40/03	Nuove norme per gli interventi in agricoltura. Titolo III - Distretti rurali e agro-alimentari di qualità
	LR n. 1/01	Riconoscimento ed istituzione dei distretti industriali e dei sisten produttivi locali
Basilicata	DGR n. 1931/03	Distretti rurali e agroalimentari di qualità – Procedure per la loro individuazione

Successful Clusters case studies – overview



- 1. Agri-food Technology District of Apulia Region DAR.e (Food and agriculture e.g. Functional foods, Innovative products, Eco-sustainable solutions, Food Safety, Packaging, know how transfer, IT-Agriculture)
- 2. Distretto Agroalimentare di Qualità Jonico Salentino Dajs (Local production, made unique by the exclusive qualitative standards, typical agro-industrial and bio-certified productions)
- 3. Consorzio di Bonifica della Basilicata CBB (Water management, Participatory Irrigation Management and reclamation, cooperation of research, industry and education.)
- 4. Distretto Agroalimentare di Qualità "Terre Federiciane (Promotion of innovative, integrated and sustainable development of the Rural territory of the Murgian area..)
- **5.** CIHEAM Bari Avamposto /Comunità Costiera (Acquaculture- Fishery Supply Chain , Strategic planning, project development, implementation, know how transfer...)

Agri-food Technology District of Apulia Region (Distretto Agroalimentare Regionale - D.A.Re. **scrl**)





•Established in 2004, MoU signed with the Puglia Region which qualifies the DARe. as the legal entity - the Agri-food Technology District.

•**Objectives**: generates, shares and **transfers innovation** through networking between public and private actors in the **research** as well as, business domain in order to promote scientific excellence, to improve the competitive edge of the production system, to attract new investments and to support policy choices.

•Participating organisations: More than 95 members, including 88 SMEs, 7 larger companies, 12 research organisations/universities/technology centres, etc.

R&D AND INNOVATION SUPPORT SERVICES



Activities

SUPPORT SERVICES FOR NEW INNOVATIVE COMPANIES (Spin-off)



DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT SERVICES



The agro-industrial and quality area of Salento (Apulia Region - Italy) Dajs





•Established in 2007, Recognized by Puglia Region "Regionale resolution n. 51 del 26 gennaio 2011. as the legal entity - the Agri-food Technology District.

•Objectives: Development, integration and innovation of the agricultural economy through the creation of business networks that become territorial networks

•Participating organisations: Total members /More 187 enterprises, 78 are among entities, public and private institutons, 7 centre of research and universites

Activities

Development of strategic guidelines for all activities in the agri-food district..



Source: http://www.dajs.it/index.php/it/il-distretto/attivita Promotion of training processes, with a strong technological specialization, for all Agri-food operators



Identification of sectors with the highest development potential



Consorzio di Bonifica della Basilicata CBB



•History, a public legal person pursuant to art. 59 of the Royal Decree February 13, 1933, no. 215, of art. 862 c.c. and art. 8 of the L.R. March 13, 2012, n. 4, is based in Foggia in Corso Roma, 2.

•Objectives: Designs, executes, maintains and manages the reclamation works. It contributes to the implementation of soil defense activities, water resources use and management including waste water for rational economic and social development

•Participating organisations: CBC extends over 441,000 hectares covering 39 municipalities in the province of Foggia

•Activities : It implements studies, research and experiments of district and regional interest as well as training programs for water users and contributes to the enhancement and dissemination of knowledge.





Source http://www.bonificacapitanata.it/

Take-home messages



THE ADDED VALUE OF THE CLUSTER



It is the only control room for research and innovation in the agri-food sector to suggest to the Ministries of higher agriculture and to the other competent national and regional institutions the sector's R&I priorities and the related investment needs in research and training.

□It is a **collaborative and inclusive** environment that favors **synergies between INDUSTRY and RESEARCH** in the agri-food sector and the development of project partnerships.

It provides **companies/enterprises** with the concrete possibility of establishing a permanent relationship with the **best national skills** in the field of **agri-food research**.

□It is an opportunity **multiplier**



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