

SPES

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## VISION:

### SCHOOL AS A PLACE OF HOPE AND COURAGE.

The School of Economic and Social Policies (Scuola di Politiche Economiche e Sociali - SPES), founded in 2013, is part of the training activities promoted by the Fondazione AISES ETS – Academy for Innovation, Economic Development and Security.

With the authorisation of the family, in 2022 the SPES was named after the President Emeritus of the Italian Republic Carlo Azeglio Ciampi



SPES, which represents an idea of School understood as a place for “hope” and “courage” where to cultivate free conscience and ideal impulse of the new generations, is inspired by the lesson and the high moral example of Carlo Azeglio Ciampi, who has oriented his civil passion and his work within the institutions exactly in the invitation to young people not to give up and to look towards the future with hope, because: *‘All of you can, and must grab the helm of your life and proceed, looking ahead with lucid realism and grounded hope; there is no difficulty that prevent you from saying with conviction to yourself: ‘It’s in us’*’.

## MISSION:

### EDUCATE TO THE LOVE OF THE HOMELAND.

In the wave of the highest tradition of the Italian Risorgimento, our mission is to *‘educate to the love of the country’*, which works for Europe and for humanity; exhorts commitment to the freedom and the dignity of the Italian people and of all peoples; works for strengthen the Republican Constitution; teaches how to cultivate historical memory.

According to Ciampi, in this strong feeling and deep-rooted conviction lies **‘the profound bond between the education of young people and fidelity to the principles on which our Republic is based on: the freedom of citizens; the unity of the country. The School is a vital part of the Nation: it is the nursery of the Italy of the future’**.

## GOALS:

### WE TRAIN PEOPLE TO REFORM INSTITUTIONS.

Nowadays, knowledge is a fundamental element of economies and societies because it drives growth and competitiveness based on innovation and quality of economical and social development.

In a constantly changing society, according to the accurate reflection of President Ciampi, *'We cannot escape the challenges that the Twenty-first Century history offers us. In order to prepare the new generations to face them in the right way, a school must operate with the aim of training young people, preparing them to responsibly carry out their duties as citizens, and encouraging their hard-working and creative inclusion within a changing and advancing society with increasingly rapid times'*.

These challenges require lifelong training, according to the changes and the needs of the labour market.

SPES aims to generate a real change in society by the strengthening of the active participation of young people in the life of institutions, the access to high-quality training and digitized education systems, including the Metaverse, addressed not only to the new generations and the 'jobs of the future', but also to the upskilling and the reskilling of public and private sector management abilities, combining the professional development of the individual with the concrete objectives of the organizations.

## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



## ACTIVITIES:

### TRAINING AND RESEARCH.

Economic and social policies, also defined by the Next Generation EU and the PNRR, represent the prospective basis for the relaunch of Italy's unique potential which is developed around the strategic axes of culture, digitalisation, ecological transition, and social inclusion.

In Ciampi's conception, the education of the new generations and the promotion of technical-scientific research are at the service of the general interest, given that: *'Economic development is increasingly based on knowledge. The main capital is the human one. Young people are its essence. It is in everyone's interest to enhance your professionalism'*.

SPES wants to be an enabler of skills at the service of the country system, as stated in Ciampi's analysis **'increasing the number and preparation of high school and university graduates expands the value of the resources needed to make Italy and Europe a more dynamic and competitive area'**.

#### In order to achieve these goals, we realise:

- advanced training courses, continuous education and educational paths; first and second-level specializing Masters, also in collaboration with other Italian universities and/or with other public or private bodies;
- strategic researches and analyses that support institutions in their choices on major innovation issues and policies in terms of sustainable development objectives, as well as corporate governance in transformational processes and in the measurement of impacts in the implementation of ESG (*Environmental, Social and Governance*) principles;
- sector studies on economic and geopolitical perspectives to support public and private decision-makers in the management of systemic risks and crises provoked by the complexity of international relations;
- research platforms and working tables for the discussion and development of specific contents that raises awareness on issues of strategic importance for the competitiveness of the country, to create an auspicious ecosystem for the digital and ecological transition within the framework of international relations.





## Acadaemic Year 2024 Inauguration AISES 'On the Shoulders of Giants' Prize awarded to President Ursula von der Leyen



*Europe is moving forward, I am aware that the challenge is noteworthy. Today we are undoubtedly standing 'on the shoulders of giants'. It is up to us, it is up to you, to give our best, to take the baton and one day hand it over to the new generations. Long live Europe and long live Italy'.*

With these words, President Ursula von der Leyen concluded the award ceremony for the AISES Academy 'On the shoulders of giants' prize, following in the footsteps of the previous award-winners Carlo Azeglio Ciampi, Mario Draghi, Papa Francesco and Antonio Tajani. A high institutional and international recognition for our research and higher education activities with the SPES Academy 'Carlo Azeglio Ciampi', which honours, inspires and stimulates us to do our best for our country and for an increasingly united, competitive and supportive Europe.

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