

FONDAZIONE UNIPOLIS: START OF THE CALL
ACT - ASPIRE. CAPTIVATE. TRANSFORM
FOR A MORE INCLUSIVE AND ALTRUISTIC SOCIETY

€400 THOUSAND EARMARKED FOR PROJECTS DEDICATED TO
FIGHTING INEQUALITY, PROMOTING SUSTAINABLE MOBILITY AND
IMPROVING WELFARE

The call opens on 25 September and closes on 31 October 2024

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Fondazione Unipolis - the corporate foundation of the **Unipol Group** - has launched the call **ACT – Aspire. Captivate. Transform**, an initiative to support projects which, in line with the new 2024-2026 strategic plan, encourage a more inclusive and altruistic society. With a total budget of **€400 thousand**, the call is aimed at third sector organisations and other entities committed to fighting inequality, promoting sustainable mobility and improving welfare.

The call's main objective is to support the most vulnerable members of society by facilitating access to opportunities, autonomy and rights, and thus contribute to the creation of active and inclusive citizenship. The aim is to encourage youth leadership, migrant integration and the promotion of gender equality.

The Foundation hopes to achieve these goals starting from a commitment in its three areas of action, which correspond to the categories of the call:

- **Inequality** for projects that combat geographical, generational and gender disparities by supporting solutions capable of promoting the human, cultural, social and economic growth of people and society;
- **Mobility** for proposals that guarantee people-friendly mobility and accessibility in urban and extra-urban areas, especially by promoting the conscious use of our roads to support solutions for sustainable mobility and more liveable cities;
- **Welfare** for initiatives aimed at improving quality of life, responding to the emergence of new needs and bridging the gap between needs and services, promoting actions to protect the universal right to psychological and physical wellbeing, in favour of proper nutrition, physical and psychomotor activity, and offering access to social and health services for those who otherwise have difficulty accessing the same.

From 25 September until 1pm on 31 October 2024, interested candidates from across the country will be able to submit their applications via certified email to the address bandoact@pec.unipol.it. Each candidate may submit one project only, using the forms available on the official site www.fondazioneunipolis.org/bando-act. The proposed activities must be carried out in Italy starting

in January 2025, with a maximum duration of 24 months and final deadline in December 2026.

The proposals selected will receive a **contribution of up to €100 thousand per project**, which will cover up to 75% of the total costs involved. The funding will be disbursed in two instalments: one at the start of the project and the other upon its conclusion, once an expense report has been sent.

“In an increasingly unequal country, where social and economic disparities are growing, it is crucial to make a joint commitment to act altruistically in order to build a more equal society. Which is why, at Fondazione Unipolis, we came up with the call *ACT – Aspire. Captivate. Transform*. The vision is to help create a social context in which young people can become leaders of the future, migrants can feel an active part of a new community and women can see the realisation of true equality, thus contributing to a positive transformation of society for all”, commented **Fondazione Unipolis Director, Maria Luisa Parmigiani**.

Fondazione Unipolis

Fondazione Unipolis is the corporate foundation of the Unipol Group which plays a significant role in the development of CSR projects in the context of the overall sustainability strategy. In line with this long-term vision, the Foundation pursues - on a non-profit basis - goals involving the cultural, social and civic growth of people and the community, focusing primarily on the development of awareness and training.

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