



## *Sustainable development policy*

The **Organising Committee of the XXIV International Young Firefighters Competition**, which will take place in Borgo Valsugana from 21 to 27 July 2024, has undertaken to comply with the requirements of the international standard **ISO 20121:2012 with** regard to the sustainable management activities of the event in order to involve all stakeholders in the realisation of the project.

The event is aimed at one thousand young trainee firefighters from around 25 countries around the world. We believe that it is important to communicate the values of economic, environmental and social sustainability in everyday life, but also at a major event such as the International Fire Brigade Games.

We are convinced that an event organised in an economically, socially and ecologically sustainable way can leave positive memories both with the participants and in the host countries.

The development of a responsible management system at the planning stage of the event is a guarantee for those involved that we are committed to achieving the sustainable development goals set out in this document.

We are committed to sharing and involving all stakeholders in the sustainability principles that underpin the organisation in order to experience a sustainable event and ensure continuous improvement.

The policy of sustainable development includes the assessment of **economic, social and environmental** impacts:

- **ECONOMIC** - joint value creation with the region
- **SOCIAL** - to ensure equity, accessibility and inclusion
- **ENVIRONMENT** - to protect the environment and biodiversity



The organising committee has prioritised the following aspects:

Aspects of ecological sustainability	Measures implemented
<b>Transport Management</b>	Promotion of soft mobility through the introduction of bike sharing and public transport journeys. Provision of maps of the cycle path network in the region and information on the use of public transport.
<b>Energy management</b>	Conclusion of a contract for the supply of 100 % green electricity. The presence of electric kitchens connected to the electricity network of the facilities they supply.
<b>Waste management</b>	More collection points near facilities where athletes are present. Information to athletes and the public about correct waste separation.
<b>Upgrading the area</b>	Favouring 0 km products from local suppliers.
<b>Canteen management</b>	Use of washable and reusable or alternatively compostable crockery, cutlery and glasses. Avoid the use of plastic bottles by favouring water or glass bottles.

Aspects of social sustainability	Measures implemented
<b>Upgrading the area</b>	Adoption of initiatives to promote knowledge of and contact with the local area, such as excursions and visits, selection of local products in the canteen.
<b>Integration of the area</b>	Involvement and dialogue with institutions, associations and local authorities to leave a tangible and positive legacy in the area.
<b>Protection of employees, volunteers and athletes</b>	Compliance with applicable employee health and safety regulations. Compliance with the GDPR data protection regulation. Ensuring gender equality and non-discrimination. Respect for the principles of equality and social justice.

Aspects of economic sustainability	Measures implemented
<b>Upgrading the area</b>	The event is a showcase for the region and its products and also ensures a high level of awareness in the future.
<b>Integration of the area</b>	The public will be welcomed throughout the valley, involving all stakeholders in the area and ensuring a broad welcome.
<b>Sustainable supplier management</b>	Integration of the tender with qualitative evaluation criteria. Observance of sustainability principles when selecting new suppliers.

The sustainability principles in this policy were established in accordance with the 17 UN Sustainable Development Goals. In particular, the following goals have been taken into account:

- ✓ **Goal 7:** Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy systems for all
- ✓ **Goal 11:** Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, durable and sustainable



- ✓ **Goal 12:** Ensure sustainable production and consumption patterns
- ✓ **Goal 13:** Promote measures to combat climate change at all levels
- ✓ **Goal 15:** Protect, restore and promote the sustainable use of the Earth's ecosystems

The sustainable development policy is shared with all stakeholders to promote effective and lasting reduction of environmental impacts, development of social benefits and a positive economic impact on the area.

To communicate relevant comments, suggestions and information on sustainability issues, please write to [info@ctif2024.com](mailto:info@ctif2024.com). The organisation relies on the contribution of SEA CONSULENZE E SERVIZI S.r.l. for the management of all actions and audits necessary for the implementation of procedures and the collection of evidence certifying the application of and compliance with the ISO 20121 standard.

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The organising committee