### Fraud Repression through EDucation2 «Mapping Knowledge in the fight against fraud»



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#### The Project



#### Fraud Repression through EDucation 2 - FRED2

- Co-funded by the European Anti-Fraud Office
   (OLAF) of the European Commission under the
   "Union Anti- Fraud Program» (EUAF)
- Undertaken in collaboration between Sapienza
   University of Rome, through ImpreSapiens
   Research Center, and the Technical Secretariat of the Committee to Fight Fraud against the
   European Union (Co. L.A.F.)
- The project was developed by students as part of the Master's degree program in "Europlanning and European Professions".



#### Goals



Enhancement of the fraud prevention systems and improvement of information exchange

FRED2 was crafted to initiate an **intensive** cooperation between the academic world and the **EU Anti-Fraud Coordination Services (AFCOS)** on the subject of European Funds.

Through the exchange of information, know-how and best practices among the institutions involved, FRED2 operates for the establishment of a permanent European Anti-Fraud Observatory



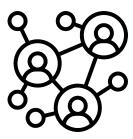
#### Experiential co-lab-learning itinerary



Through a set of scheduled workshops, seminars, webinars and study visits, the FRED2 project is carrying out an **experiential co-lab-learning path**, aimed at developing innovative and cost-effective approaches to equip participants to determine fraud risks and compare control strategies related to public budget support.



The related activities are being carried out thanks to the invaluable support network, comprising various Italian and European universities as well as several EU AFCOS, that has backed the project from the outset, and which is actively expanding.



#### Task Force



- Mixed-group composed by academic and pratictioners in the fight against fraud
- Their goal will be to co-design a map of concepts, focusing on new methods of control and prevention of fraud in operations funded by the EU.
- A pilot research will be conducted to detect behaviours and risk profiles characterising the deviated use of European funds.



#### The European Anti-Fraud Observatory



- Anti-fraud observatory with a European and transnational dimension
- By enhancing transnational and multi-disciplinary cooperation, the established network will be sustainable and durable.
- The obstervatory will faciliate the production of valuable reports aimed at improving the awareness of fraud and other illegal activities to the detriment of the European budget.
- Specific analysis extended to the operationalization of the NRRPs of different EU countries



#### **European Anti-Fraud Observatory**





Forming strong permanent relations aimed at improving the awareness on frauds against EU funds



**Defining anti-fraud awareness projects** 



Improving the quality of data and the related information



Enhancing the exchange of information and data between operators and practitioners

#### **Kick-off Event**



### Presidency of the Council of Ministers Rome, 31/05/2023

#### Attended by:

- On. Raffaele Fitto, Minister for European Affairs,
   the South, Cohesion Policies and PNRR
- Antonella Polimeni, Rector of Sapienza University of Rome;
- Gen. D. Stefano Screpanti, Commander of the Guardia di Finanza, Nucleus for the repression of fraud against the European Union at the Presidency of the Council of Ministers;
- Dr. Ugo Liberatore, Director for the General Inspectorate for the PNRR.





#### 1st Workshop



# Faculty of Economics Sapienza University of Rome 22-24/11/2023

First important confrontation between various actors involved in the fight against fraud.

Attended by distinguished representatives of the academic world and multiple Italian and European institutional bodies.





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The last day of the 1st workshop was dedicated to a round-table discussion on the objectives that the task force to-be should pursue and how the observatory should operate.



Next step...



#### 1st Webinar

March 15th

NEXT GENERATION EU: ITS
FINANCIAL SOURCES AND
FRAUD RISKS IN ITS
IMPLEMENTATION



#### Thank you for your attention!



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