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ITS 'Fondazione G. Caboto' delivers diplomas to 28 young graduates offering concrete job opportunities

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During the graduation ceremony of the 28 new young students of the ITS 'Fondazione G. Caboto' together with the delivery of the letters of employment from Italian shipping companies supporting the project, the arrival of the University of Rome 'Tor Vergata' as a Member of the Foundation and the entrance of new shipping companies was made official.

The ITS, tertiary education model, confirmed itself as a concrete answer to the need in Italy for specialised training, which is closer to the labour market and guarantees employment, and is considered an innovative and much-needed tool compared to the traditional training paths.

The merit of ITS 'Fondazione G. Caboto' has been to train about 140 students in recent years and to have obtained almost 100% employment for them, exceeding the high rate (81.1%) reached by the entire Technical Secondary School system. The 2017 tender enabled another 44 students to join those currently attending, keeping the number of students being trained at the ongoing high levels.

These results have led to the growth over the years of the number of shipping companies supporting the Foundation and the interest of the University of Rome 'Tor Vergata' in joining as a new member.

More specifically, the University's arrival will give new impetus and enrich the training offer establishing consolidated training paths. It represents acknowledgement of the path travelled by the ITS for a possible University degree course, thus responding to the continual changes in the shipping world.

"In these seven years, ITS Caboto has been an extraordinary opportunity for young professionals in the Italian maritime sector," declared the Chairman Cesare d'Amico.

"The 140 students who have been able to embark and have achieved their degree are an asset for our sector's future, and hope for our country. Mobilising all the energy needed to develop the excellences of the training and entrepreneurial system allows us to achieve these prestigious goals. It gives us great pride to see students so motivated, prepared and representing an added value for the role they will hold in the working world."

As further evidence of the excellence of the ITS Caboto Foundation, following the first contribution of regional funds for merit, for the 2017-2019 period the Institute received the highest contribution among the seven ITS present in Lazio region.

Over the years, ITS Caboto Foundation has seen an increase in the number of shipping company partners. Established in 2010 with just d'Amico Società di Navigazione as founding member, it can now count on the support of several companies: F.lli d'Amico Carboflotta, Finaval, Italia Marittima, RBD Armatori, Amoretti Armatori Group, Eni Ing shipping, Calisa, Premuda, plus the recent addition of Moby Lines, Bottiglieri and Prysman Cable & System.

However, the number of officers available for employment on the global merchant navy fleet is not enough to satisfy the demand for sea professionals. The ITS technology colleges can fill this gap, as they express the close collaboration between the education system and the working world that becomes stronger every year. In fact, during their two-year training course, students of ITS Fondazione G. Caboto attend about 1,200 hours of expert training classes and three periods of on-board experience – always remunerated and needed to achieve the official qualification – for a total amount of about 4,000 hours.

The ITS Institute for Sustainable Mobility – "G. Caboto" Foundation – (Istituto Tecnico Superiore per la Mobilità Sostenibile – G. Caboto) is a private-law institute, composed of public and private bodies with the aim of achieving the goals set out by the Prime Ministerial Decree of 25/01/2008. The Foundation is active at regional and national level, through the promotion and dissemination of technical and scientific culture, supporting measures for economic development and active work policies.



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