The first International Summer School promoted by The Economy of Francesco in collaboration with LUMSA University is about to happen. For one week, from August 29th to September 4th the city of Gubbio will host the school entitled Economics in the Age of the Commons, an experience of training and study on the theme of the common goods for young PhD students and post-docs working in EoF.

Prof. Luigino Bruni, scientific coordinator of The Economy of Francesco and one of the teachers of the Gubbio Summer School recounts: "Returning, after a year and a half, to a school where we can be physically present is important for us, even if not yet possible with all the countries as we would like. We hope that other regions of the world will be inspired by the Gubbio event and repeat other EoF residential schools. Schools are important, because EoF is first of all a new culture, that is, a different way of looking at the economy and the world".

The Summer School will take place at LUMSA's new higher education centre, formerly the Palazzo Seminario in San Martino. The rector of LUMSA, Prof. Francesco Bonini emphasised: “The beauty of every idea and every project lies in the moment in which it passes from the enthusiasm of the initial start to the fatigue but also the joy of construction and operational development, LUMSA, together with the city and diocese of Gubbio, is very pleased to support The Economy of Francesco with this and other initiatives, which, from the outset has featured our expert lecturers and brilliant doctoral students. We really want to change things and to do it together. This is especially important this summer so as to help guide the ‘return to normal’ that we all want.

In addition to Luigino Bruni, the lectures will be given by Prof. Matteo Rizzolli, of Lumsa, and Prof. Alessandra Smerilli, of Auxilium University and the new undersecretary at the Dicastery for the Service of Integral Human Development, with the collaboration of six young researchers: Paolo Santori, Valentina Rotondi, Bernat Sellarès, Olena Komisarenko, Plinio Limata and Giorgia Nigri.

In the programme online lectures given by Flavio Comim and Sabina Alkire and there will also be Lectio Magistralis, in streaming, by Joseph Stiglitz and Robert Frank.

The greatest change in globalised and post-modern society has to do with the theme of the common goods. Today, the quality of development of peoples and the Earth certainly depends on classic private goods, but much more on the common good (or evils) such as greenhouse gases, the exploitation of natural resources or the overconfidence in the financial markets on which private goods also depend. Rethinking the economy starting from the common goods is the challenge on which the young people of The Economy of Francesco have been reflecting since March in an online training course.

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