

## PRESS RELEASE

## Alstom Foundation will finance 38 social projects around the world: one initiative selected in Italy

- The Foundation supports and funds projects aimed at improving living conditions in communities where we work and live
- In Italy, the project "Find.Learn.Thrive, promoted by the non-profit organization "ItaliaHello", will support migrants in a path towards the labor market

**8 november 2021** – The Alstom Corporate Foundation has announced the 38 projects, originating in 24 different countries, that will receive funding in the next fiscal year. Along with the record number of 189 projects submitted, the selected projects demonstrate Alstom employees' enthusiasm for philanthropy and for supporting local communities, as well as Alstom's increased footprint since the integration of Bombardier Transportation.

Among the selected projects, there is the one in Italy promoted by the ItaliaHello Association, a non-profit organisation based in Florence that has been working in the field of migration since 2018, particularly on the theme of information access as a fundamental tool for the autonomy of migrants, refugees and asylum seekers.

The project "Find.Learn.Thrive. A multilevel employment pathway for migrants" by "ItaliaHello" - in partnership with the Nosotras Association, which works on the themes of women's empowerment, citizenship rights and gender - will take place in the Florence area with the aim of facilitating the inclusion of migrants in the labor market, in particular women and foreign minors who arrive in our country unaccompanied. The path of the project will be developed in three levels: a program of professional support in the classroom (training, workshops and visits), the implementation of an elearning path to strengthen self-learning and customized programs for job placement and activation of internships.

"We are proud to see so much involvement around Alstom Foundation.. And we are not surprised to see that there is an Italian project among those selected. Alstom people in Italy are always at the forefront in supporting social responsibility projects for communities in the territory. We believe it is fundamental to activate integrative paths that fill, above all, social inequalities. The ItaliaHello project represents for migrants, in particular for women and children, who are in our country, a concrete opportunity to approach the labor market. What makes us even more proud is that Alstom's people will have the opportunity to be directly involved in the online training sessions and in the organisation of the "study visit" to our headquarters in Florence" said Chiara Marchisio, CSR Champion of Alstom in Italy.

"We are really grateful to Alstom for believing in the ItaliaHello project and in our daily work. Together with our partner, Association Nosotras, we will work in the Florence area to develop a path of training and orientation to job placement to support women with migration background and unaccompanied



foreign minors. We are in fact convinced that work is the only key to successful integration, which makes people autonomous in the realization of their own life project and able to contribute to the development of the whole community" said **Susanna Pietra, Director of ItaliaHello.** 

Established in 2007, the Alstom Foundation supports and funds projects proposed by Alstom employees who team up with local NGO partners and not-for-profit organizations to carry out initiatives aimed at improving living conditions in communities located near the Group's facilities and project sites around the world. The Foundation's projects focus on four axes: Mobility, Environmental Protection, Energy & Water, and Socio-Economic Development.

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