## Opening of applications for the BEST Courses of the spring season 2023

The BEST Messina University Association announces that registrations are open for the BEST Courses for the spring season of 2023, which will be held in the period between March and June.

BEST — Board of European Students of Technology — is a non-profit and apolitical organisation that connects students from 90 technical universities (including the University of Messina) in 31 European countries.

BEST strives to help science-technology faculty students acquire an international mindset, gain a better understanding of European cultures and develop the ability to work in an international context.

The BEST Courses, the heart of the association's activities, are academic courses in English lasting one / two weeks that address highly topical scientific and technological issues. Lessons are held by the teaching staff of the host university or by company experts. The student who participates in a BEST course will have the opportunity to experience a more practical approach to the topics of study, thanks to the visit of companies of international prestige and the acquisition of horizontal skills in technology, economics, management, as well as having recognized university formative credits (CFU). In addition, participants from associated universities have the opportunity to expand their cultural background by living an international experience, establishing contacts with other students from all over Europe, and improving the English language, which is now a fundamental requirement for introduction into the job market.

All these activities are almost free, the lessons, board, lodging, and social activities are largely financed by corporate sponsorships and donations from universities.

The same has happened for years in Messina, where thanks also to the support of the University and the ERSU Messina, which provides the Papardo University Residence and the canteens, guest students can take advantage of excellent services, among the best in Europe, according to the students themselves.

All students enrolled in courses and doctorates of the scientific-technological departments can participate in the BEST Courses.

The deadline for applying to participate in the spring courses is set for 27 November.

Ten cities in Europe will host BEST Courses next spring, including Paris, Athens, Brussels, Grenoble, Lyon, Morstar, Turin, and Valencia.

The complete list is available at <a href="www.best.eu.org/courses/list.jsp">www.best.eu.org/courses/list.jsp</a>. For more information visit the website www.bestmessina.org, write to <a href="messina@BEST-eu.org">messina@BEST-eu.org</a>, or contact the Facebook and Instagram pages of BEST Messina.