

CURRICULUM VITAE
ANDREA SANTI D'AGOSTINO

Chartered Accountant | Statutory Auditor | EU Funds & Public Programmes Expert | Project Manager
Catania, Italy

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Senior Chartered Accountant, Statutory Auditor and Project Manager with more than 25 years of professional experience in business consulting, public sector development programmes, EU-funded projects, financial planning, corporate finance, audit and governance.

Extensive expertise in the design, implementation, monitoring and financial reporting of projects financed by European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF), national programmes and regional development initiatives.

Experienced lecturer and trainer in EU funding management, business planning, project financing and financial management. Proven track record in supporting public administrations, universities, SMEs and development agencies in strategic planning, organisational development and financial control.

CORE COMPETENCIES

- EU Funds Management and Financial Reporting
 - Project Management
 - Public Sector Consulting
 - Strategic Planning
 - Business Planning & Feasibility Studies
 - Corporate Finance
 - Project Financing
 - Financial Control and Budgeting
 - Audit and Compliance
 - Statutory Audit
 - Public Procurement Support
 - Monitoring & Evaluation of EU Programmes
 - Regional Development Programmes
 - Tourism Marketing
 - Organisational Development
 - Corporate Restructuring and M&A Transactions
 - University Teaching and Professional Training
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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of Catania

Contract Lecturer – Tourism Marketing

2026 – Present

- Lecturer in Tourism Marketing within the Department of Humanities.
 - Teaching undergraduate students in tourism and destination management.
 - Academic Year 2025–2026.
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University of Catania

Project Manager

2026 – Present

- Project Manager responsible for initiatives aimed at strengthening student inclusion services.
 - Coordination of activities funded under Ministerial Decree DM 809/2023.
 - Support to planning, implementation and monitoring of university inclusion policies.
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University of Catania / C.I.A.P.I.

External Expert Lecturer – EU Funds Management

2025

- Delivered training activities on EU Funds Management.
 - Contributor to the national Programme GOL training initiative funded by the Italian National Recovery and Resilience Plan (PNRR).
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**Independent Professional Practice
Chartered Accountant & Statutory Auditor
1997 – Present**

Founder and owner of a professional consultancy practice providing:

- Corporate, tax and accounting advisory services.
 - Financial planning and business development consulting.
 - Preparation of Business Plans and Industrial Plans.
 - Economic and financial feasibility studies.
 - Project financing advisory.
 - Assistance in obtaining public and EU funding.
 - Design, management and reporting of EU-funded projects.
 - Budgeting and management control systems.
 - Corporate restructuring, mergers, demergers and business valuations.
 - Human resources and organisational consulting.
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**DL Consulting S.r.l.
Managing Director
2008 – Present**

Lead consultancy activities in:

- EU-funded projects and grant management.
 - Project financing initiatives.
 - Business advisory and financial consultancy.
 - Accounting and tax services.
 - Management control systems.
 - Franchise network development.
 - Corporate and commercial consultancy.
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**Municipality of Catania – Social Health District No.16
Senior Consultant
2024 – 2025**

- Legal-administrative support for Poverty Fund programmes.
 - Monitoring and financial reporting of PAL 2018 and PAL 2021 initiatives.
 - Technical assistance to public sector programme implementation.
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**Order of Chartered Accountants of Catania
Member, Disciplinary Board
2021 – Present**

- Participation in disciplinary and professional oversight activities.
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**Catania Multiservizi S.p.A.
Management Control and EU Programmes Officer
2012 – 2015**

- Responsible for budgeting and management control.
 - Member of the team managing EU Structural Funds programmes.
 - Monitoring and reporting of regional development projects.
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**InvestiaCatania S.C.p.A.
Development Programmes Specialist
2000 – 2011**

Key responsibilities included:

- Design and implementation of EU-funded territorial development programmes.

- Management of Territorial Employment Pacts.
- Development of Local Tourism Systems.
- Territorial Marketing initiatives.
- Public-private partnership coordination.
- Monitoring and financial reporting of EU-funded projects.
- Preparation of public calls and grant evaluation procedures.
- Coordination of innovation and industrial district initiatives.
- Economic and financial analysis of urban and territorial development programmes.

Major initiatives included:

- Territorial Employment Pact of Catania
- Local Development Networks Programme
- Regional Innovation Strategy for Sicily
- Catania Cultural System Project
- Industrial District Development Programme
- ETNA VALLEY Industrial District
- Integrated Urban Development Programmes (PISU/PIST)

AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE EXPERIENCE

Statutory Auditor

Anfuso Antonino S.r.l.

2024 – Present

Member, Board of Statutory Auditors

Hotel Park Nettuno S.p.A.

2009 – Present

Member, Board of Statutory Auditors

Sikelia Service S.p.A.

2016 – 2018

Chairman, Board of Auditors

Territorial Joint Committee for Workplace Safety – Province of Catania

2009 – 2012

Chairman, Board of Auditors

Building Industry Training Authority – Province of Catania

2001 – 2002; 2007 – 2009

Member, Board of Statutory Auditors

Eden S.r.l.

2004 – 2009

EU-FUNDED PROGRAMME AUDIT EXPERIENCE

ENI CBC Italy–Tunisia Programme 2014–2020

External Auditor – JESMED Project

2022 – 2024

- Financial audit and expenditure verification.
- Support to cross-border cooperation initiatives between Italy and Tunisia.

Regional Register of Auditors for ESF Projects

Approved External Auditor

2010 – Present

Included in the official register of auditors authorised to certify expenditure under projects financed by the European Social Fund.

Performed audits and expenditure verification for numerous ESF-funded training and employment projects.

TEACHING AND TRAINING EXPERIENCE

Extensive experience as lecturer and trainer in:

- EU Funds Management
- Financial Management and Reporting
- Business Planning
- Corporate Finance
- Entrepreneurship
- Tourism Legislation
- Financial Analysis
- Labour Law
- Management and Organisation

Training activities delivered for:

- University of Catania
- Public Administrations
- Vocational Training Centres
- Professional Associations
- Private Companies

EDUCATION

Master's Degree in Economics and Business Administration

University of Catania

1993

Chartered Accountant Qualification

Ministry of University and Research

1994

Registered Chartered Accountant

Order of Chartered Accountants of Catania

Since 1996

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS

Executive Master in National and Multinational Holding Structures

Assoholding Academy

2022

Certified Professional Mediator

Accademia Eraclitea degli Studi

2012

Auditor for ESIF and ESF Projects

Regional Government of Sicily

2010

Expert in Tourism District Development

Mercury S.r.l.

2006

Expert in Territorial Marketing

Italian Network of Territorial Employment Pacts / IFOA

2001

Expert in Business Planning and EU Structural Funds

Order of Chartered Accountants of Catania

1996

LANGUAGES

Italian: Native

English: Professional Working Proficiency

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Order of Chartered Accountants and Accounting Experts
 - Register of Statutory Auditors
 - Regional Register of Auditors for European Social Fund Projects
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SELECTED EXPERTISE AREAS

- European Union Funds
- Cohesion Policy
- ESF / ERDF Programmes
- PNRR Projects
- Public Administration Consulting
- Audit and Compliance
- Financial Management
- Strategic Development
- Regional Development
- University Projects
- Tourism Development
- Economic Evaluation of Public Investments
- Project Financing