



THE STORY CONTINUES: Lasting legacy and innovative training formats boost the second edition of SIAARTI Academy

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The Emergency Medical Training event, hosted on the Island of Lampedusa, engaged the young doctors, thanks to a mix of innovation, a team building spirit and ethical motivation.

After the bright success of the first edition last year, the second SIAARTI Academy CREM (Critical Emergency Medicine) event reaffirmed and indeed multiplied on its previous positive results. This complex training event by the Italian Society for Anaesthesia, Analgesia, Resuscitation and Intensive Care, was held from 20-26 May in Lampedusa, organised by AIM Group International, the Core PCO of SIAARTI.

SIAARTI was eager to find an innovative way to train its young members and in 2017 decided, with AIM Group, to organise a multifaceted event that included classroom training, interactive sessions, hands-on workstations and a maxi simulation of an emergency situation. Amongst many other accolades, this initiative won the IAPCO Collaboration Award 2017.

But that was not the end of the story. In the second edition, the number of young physicians coming from 39 specialised schools almost doubled and the outdoor maxi simulation, with its strong emotional impact, included, not only a maritime disaster but also, a huge traffic accident with the intervention of rescue helicopters. Young doctors put in place the skills acquired during the training week and played the roles of the victims, the rescuers and the observers.

To implement such a demanding event, the SIAARTI Academy involved important institutional partners such as the Coast Guard, the Italian Relief Order of Malta, Civil Protection and 118 (medical emergency service). The event was again on the island of Lampedusa, sadly known for the landings of migrants and the management of the related crisis, considered as the most suitable place to show the impact of an emergency situation. Choosing a small island, usually not considered for congresses and events of high scientific value, has been a way to leave a positive legacy on the destination and local operators in terms of image, professionalism and economic development.

“SIAARTI Academy is a real training Campus,” says Prof. Flavia Petrini, President-elected of SIAARTI, “where future doctors can face all possible intervention situations and deal with the best technologies while always maintaining human relationships with the patients, a skill we teach daily to young doctors. I would like to thank everyone and in particular the citizens of Lampedusa who once again showed sensitivity to social and health issues and allowed the success of our initiative”.



Know Your Facts

6 intense days of work;

35 hours of classroom training;

70 faculty members (teachers and speakers);

22 workstations;

A maxi simulation lasting **10** hours and involving **300** people;

6000 kg of transported material.

