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I studied

formation's science at the university of Palermo for 4 years when I was 20. After that I immediately started to work in Milan for 3/4 years. After those years I came back to my city because I have all my family here and since then I still work in an elementary school in Gela.

HOW did you discover the opportunities related to reuse?

You know the part of my job is that I can really reuse a lot of things just to make my students happy.

They really love reusing and create a new world with new things and of course the things that they really like is when they create things that they can use just with their hands. I can stay here and talk about what they reuse for the rest of the day but I try to reassume with the best things that they create thanks to the reuse.

You know the girl always love the jewelry so me and my female students had the idea to use the buttons of their old jackets or the old jackets of their parents just to create rings, bracelets and of course necklaces.

Everytime they finish they always look so proud of what they had made.



My male students are so creative and they always want to build something.

A lot of them have the passion for the geography so one day I had the great idea to reproduce the world with you know what?! The plugs.



Classroom lesson (cc), <https://pixabay.com/it/photos/insegnante-sachunterricht-3765909/>

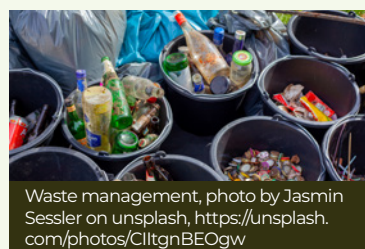


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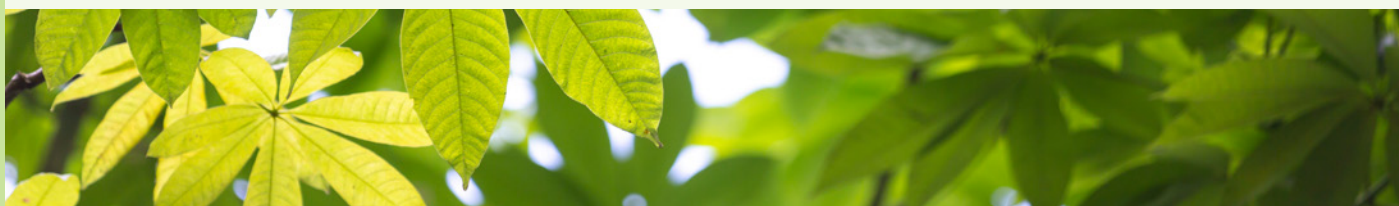
It was just a wonderful project that I made with them and they look so excited to build the entire world. Thanks to this work I had the opportunity to teach them the nations and the form of the world. Sometimes they give me the idea for the reuse of something. A lot of them have pets so together we decide to make a gift for them. But what we create? We create pet collars.

But how? This time we use the belts so that they can put on them glitters or they can just draw on it and write the name of their pets.

This work was so lovely because I just seen how they put all of their love to make these collars and was really meaningful to receive all of their picture while they give what they create to their pets. Sometimes they really help me understand how important reuse is to life and that has made my heart so blessed.



Waste management, photo by Jasmin Sessler on unsplash, <https://unsplash.com/photos/CltgnBEOgw>

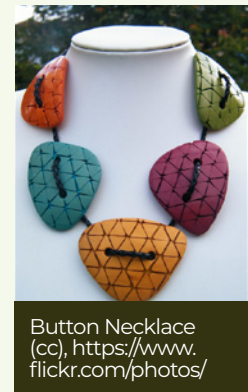




WHAT DO YOU REUSE AND HOW:

can you give us some examples of reuse in your economic activity?

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LET'S TALK about the real impact of reuse on your turnover: economically speaking, what are these figures?

This's an interesting question. So when a took part of this project of the meaning of reuse I start to think about of how much money I spend in useless things.

For example I stopped to buy plastic bottles of water and start to drink in bottle of glass and thanks to drinking water now I can just put this one in the class.

Thanks to this process I can save 300euros just drinking in my bottle of glass and at the same time I can help the world for the climate change.

Then another things that I do is not buy anymore any type of plats, spoon, forks and knife in plastic so now I use these things all in glass and this can basically help me to save 100 euros por months and at the same time it really help me to avoid any type of use of plastic. Another important thing that I just find out is the use of electric car this can help me to save 1500 euros por year because I can avoid to use this money just to buy the petrol or the gas for a normal car.



Electric car, pixabay license, <https://pixabay.com/it/illustrations/auto-elettrica-auto-tappo-3716132/>



Make more money...not use plastic, <https://www.ildolomiti.it/ambiente/riciclo-la-svolta-bio-del-conad-di-torre-verde-sconto-sulla-spesa-chi-rispetta-lambiente>

When I found out this think I was so shocked because I really couldn't believe that I spent that much money before.

With all of that money now I can travel a lot or I can buy some other things that I can use for reuse for example.

But another important thing is that if we don't wanna spend any money to go to the other part of the city , we can use the bike because we would have 0 money to spend and we can remove the smog in the city and start to breath some new fresh air.



Glass bottle (cc), <https://www.flickr.com/photos/>

REUSE



QUESTIONNAIRE

1. What is the so-called “circular economy”?

A	B	C
60%	20%	20%

2. Do you believe that a more sustainable economic system can be equally productive than the current one?

A	B	C
20%	50%	30%

3. Which of these consumer choices have you decided to implement in the last 10 years to protect the environment?

A	B	C
25%	25%	50%

4. How will the so-called “circular economy” affect the job market?

A	B	C
40%	60%	0%

5. In your work, how many strategic choices related to sustainability have been made in the last 10 years?

A	B	C
80%	15%	5%

6. Which of these 4 “Rs” is more important to ensure a better future for humanity?

A	B	C	D
Reuse-25%	Recycle-50%	redencing-10%	reduce-15%

7. Which of these 4 “Rs” is most present in your family’s daily life?

A	B	C	D
Redesing-0%	Reuse-20%	Recycle-50%	Reduce-30%

8. In your opinion, what link is there between technology and the “circular economy”?

A	B	C
70%	20%	10%

9. Do you think we will be able to change the way we consume so as not to affect the environment and its limited resources?

A	B	C
0%	60%	40%

10. Are you familiar with the UN 2030 Agenda or have you ever heard of SDGs?

A	B	C
30%	40%	30%

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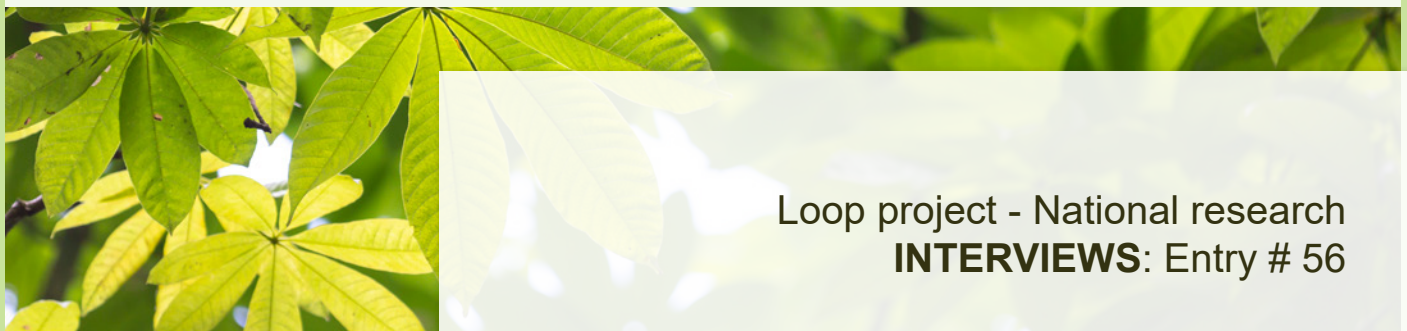
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11. Do you think that the economy in the past was more sustainable than it is today?

A	B	C
90%	10%	0%

12. Which of these 3 statements do you consider the most true and important?

A	B	C
40%	40%	20%



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