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Cedifop Study Center, at the halfway mark the technical diving operator course



PALERMO (Aug. 1, 2024) - The Technical Diving Operator course organized by the Centro Studi Cedifop, a professional industrial diving training institution operating within the port of Palermo and directed by Greek Manos Kouvakis, is reaching the halfway mark. The course is financed by the European Social Fund and at the end provides for the issuance of a certificate of professional qualification of Technical Diving Operator. Started last May 6, the training will end on Nov. 13 and students who pass the final exams will be allowed to register with a harbor master's office in Italy for the issuance of the Reconnaissance Booklet. The course is also valid to access the Inshore level (Underwater Welder) for registration with the Telematic Directory at the Department of Labor of the Sicilian Region (LR 07/2016 and DPRS No. 31/2018). But what is the impression of the students at the end of this first round of classes? We asked 18-year-old Giuseppe Favaloro from Palermo: "Now that it is getting into full swing, the course is even more interesting also because we are starting to address more technical and less theoretical topics."

He is echoed by 29-year-old Marco Maggi, from Taranto: "I am thrilled to have taken the opportunity offered by the Sicilian region, which has given me the chance to participate in this training course thanks to which I will be able to turn my passion for the sea into a profession." Samuele Stangoni of Badesi, a small town that, because of its very long white sandy beaches overlooking the crystal clear sea of the Gulf of Asinara, is called the California of Northern Sardinia, also had a positive opinion: "I find it extremely rewarding as well as well organized. Thanks to the professionalism of Cedifop and the quality of the trainers, I was immediately at ease. I would like to say thank you for the opportunity I have been given, which day after day makes possible the realization of my dream: to descend with appropriate caution into the deep sea."

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