

# POVERTY'S FRONTLINE:

Local Authorities Driving  
Disability Inclusion in the  
EU Anti-Poverty Strategy

 10:00 am - 1:00 pm (CET)

With



Regione  
Lombardia

In collaboration with

*ELISAN, COFACE, EASPD, ENIL, Council of Europe – Conference of INGOs, DPI, Friuli Venezia Giulia Region, Veneto Region, Belluno Municipality.*



**The Enabling team: Service Providers;  
Sports and the Path to independant living  
House of Abilities  
as a tool for Anti-Poverty and Disability Strategy**



*Every person is **skilled** at something and **less skilled** at something else.*

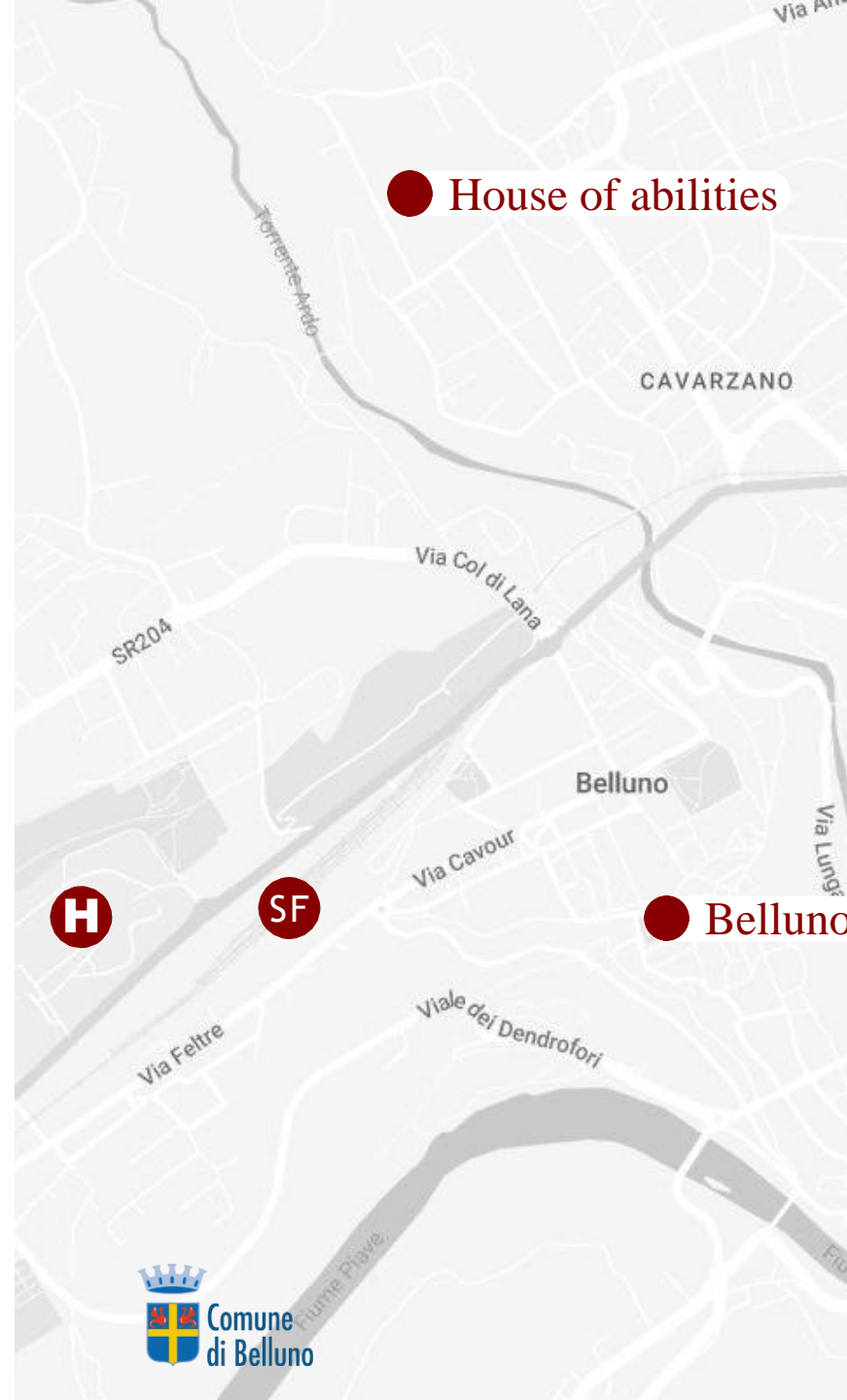
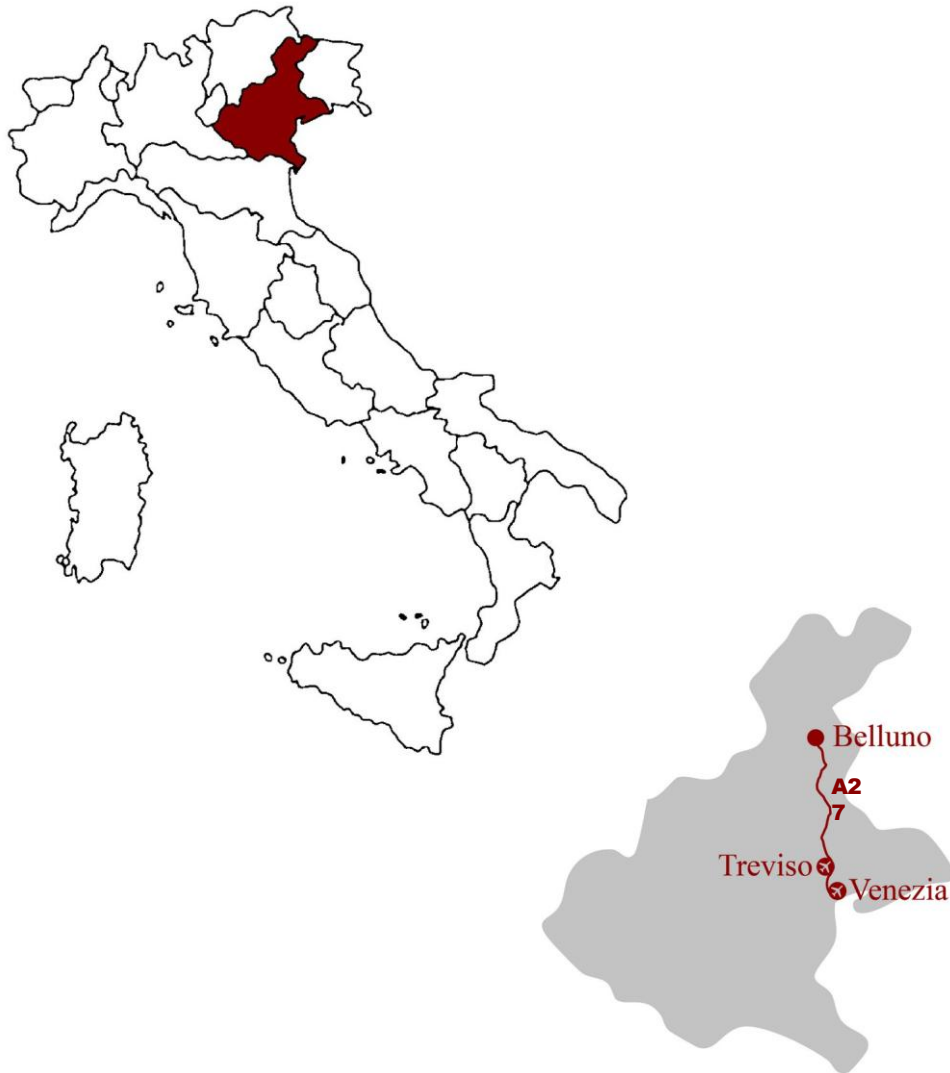
**We want to develop the residual abilities of the most vulnerable children, giving them the opportunity to become as independent as possible.  
We also want to do this by bringing together children and older people in everyday life, through play and work.**

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*Poverty's Front line Local Authorities Driving disability Inclusion in the  
EU Ati poverty strategy, Brussels, 2 December 2025*

# Territorial framework

*An organization serving the municipality of Belluno, the province, and the Veneto region.*



# Territorial challenges

Belluno, the provincial capital, serves as a point of reference for a very large and challenging mountainous area.

- Territorial fragmentation and dispersed settlement patterns.
- Complex management of public–private integration.
- Current shortage of highly specialized services.
- Long waiting times for diagnostic certifications.

# Why is the project relevant?

It is estimated that there are **4,470 minors** with NPI (neuropsychiatric) disorders in the provincial territory, considering neuropsychiatric conditions as a whole.

Of these, **993 students** (in public schools) have disabilities — covered under Law No. 104/92 — and receive school support (with an increase of 200 cases in just 7 years).

# **Cortina '26 Protocol for a National Research and Sports Initiation Center for People with Disabilities**



## **Coordination of Local authorities**



**COMUNE DI BELLUNO**



**REGIONE DEL VENETO**

# Public, Social, and Economic Value

- **Social:** Improved quality of life, autonomy, and inclusion for children, adolescents, and young adults with disabilities;
- **Economic:** Creation of stable, skilled jobs and activation of local supply chains, with spillover benefits for social tourism, education, and events;
- **Institutional:** Stronger local welfare through collaboration among public institutions, schools, families, and universities; participatory governance and continuous professional development;
- **Territorial:** High-quality services that enable families to remain in small towns and valleys affected by depopulation;
- **Attractiveness:** An offering that enhances the city's appeal through the sustainable livability Belluno provides.



# The House of Abilities for “Il Residenziale”

A proposal for the ‘During Us’ and ‘After Us’ stages



Referee:

Mayor of Belluno: Oscar De Pellegrin

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