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The newsletter of the Undergraduate Course in Protection and Enhancement of the Mountain Territory and Environment

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The *Viticulture* course is continuing and we would like to remind you of the last few events of the Academic Year 2008/2009:

26th May 2009 4pm → *Giancarlo Maculotti*, pedagogist and scholar of the history and culture of mountain areas, coordinator of the "*Incontri Tra/montani*" will hold a seminar on the **conflict between farmers and shepherds in the late 19th century**

9th June 2009 Ore 20.30 → **Analysis of different methods for counting deer** in a seminar held by *Luca Pedrotti* Scientific Coordinator of the Stelvio National Park.

22nd-26th June 2009 → Field trip to the Forni Glacier in Valtellina and the Grison area in Switzerland

We would like to remind you that seminars are free and open to the public

For further information see the section "*Extra activities*".

For further information on any event contact the Edolo campus by e-mail at corso.edolo@unimi.it or by phone: 0364.71324

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MOUNTAIN UNIVERSITY OPEN DAY

On **7th May** at the Edolo Campus the Faculty of Agriculture held the second **Open Day** of the Undergraduate Course in Protection and Enhancement of the Mountain Territory and Environment.

The day was attended by about 15 potential undergraduates, mostly from **other provinces**, further evidence that the Mountain University is gaining recognition over a wide area.

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VALTEMO: MEMBERSHIP 2009

You can now join the **VAL.TE.MO. Association**

Association Objectives:

The Association's objectives are cultural and environmental and in particular hope to:



1. promote all types of cultural initiatives which aim to inform about, protect and enhance the mountain environment, including courses, conventions, seminars, field trips etc.;
2. facilitate contact between students, lecturers, and all those who love the mountains both at an educational and practical level;
3. facilitate contact with public and private enterprises in mountain areas;
4. provide information about and publicize public and private scholarships, financing, job and other opportunities regarding mountain areas;
5. plan development projects in mountain areas so as to take part in national and international, public and private competitions;
6. propose local initiatives regarding the enhancement of the mountain environment;
7. organize cultural exchanges with other associations;
8. organize recreational activities;
9. organize activities aimed at career guidance and at promoting the Undergraduate Course in Protection and Enhancement of the Mountain Territory and Environment.

Who can join:

All those persons (natural or juridical) who share the Association's objectives, and intend to contribute to their realization.

How to join:

If you wish to join the Association you must fill in the application form and hand it in to the Secretary's Office at Edolo together with the membership fee of € 5,00.

The application form is available at the Secretary's Office at Edolo or on the site of the Edolo undergraduate Course in the [section dedicated to Valtemo](#), where you can also find the complete statute of the association.

The Members Meeting will soon be held to elect the new **board of administration** which will hold office for the next 3 years.

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THE NEW STUDENTS' REPRESENTATIVES FOR EDOLO

On **13th** and **14th May 2009** students of Università degli Studi di Milano elected their representatives for 2008/2010.

The election results are published at <http://www.unimi.it/ateneo/35712.htm>.

3 students attending the Edolo undergraduate Course were elected to the **Faculty of Agriculture Board**:
Leoni Valeria, Cairati Oliver and Pedrazzoli Ambra.

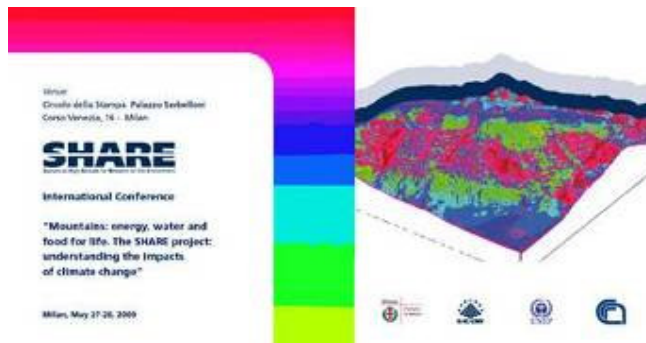
While for the **Teaching Coordination Board of the Undergraduate Course in Protection and Enhancement of the Mountain Territory and Environment** Edolo students will be represented by *Leoni Valeria, Cairati Oliver, Pedrazzoli Ambra and Maffina Serena.*

We invite students who wish to present proposals to the Faculty Board or to the T.C.B. of the Edolo Undergraduate Course to contact their representatives.

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MOUNTAINS: ENERGY, WATER AND FOOD FOR LIFE. THE SHARE PROJECT: UNDERSTANDING THE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE

The Ev-K2-CNR committee, Milan City Council, CNR, the Expo 2015 committee, in collaboration with UNEP and with the technical collaboration of FAO, invite you to participate in the International Conference **"Mountains: energy, water and food for life. The SHARE project: understanding the impacts of climate change"** at the historical Palazzo Serbelloni, headquarters of the Milan Circolo della Stampa **on 27th and 28th May 2008**.



The Conference which has received Patronage from the Presidency of the Republic, is sponsored by the Ministries for Foreign affairs, for the Environment, for University and Research and by the Lombardy Region, will see experts on atmosphere, climate, water, glaciers, agriculture and biodiversity from all over the world meet to discuss the role of mountains as primary indicators of climate changes and of the impact that global warming has on mountain ecosystems, with particular attention for policies regarding adjustment, health, energy and food safety.

Phase II of the **SHARE project** (Stations at High Altitude for Research on the Environment), promoted by the Ev-K2-CNR committee will also be presented.

For further information visit the site www.ev-k2-cnr.org

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GE.S.DI.MONT. INVOLVED IN A EUROPEAN PROJECT

The Interdepartmental Centre Ge.S.Di.Mont. is taking part in its first European project.

Ge.S.Di.Mont. is a partner of the Inter-regional project entitled **"Values and flavours of typical alpine produce (Proalpi)"** headed by the Verbano Cusio Ossola Province for Italy and Bioethica Food Safety Engineering Sagl for Switzerland.

The project is part of the Swiss-Italian cross border Cooperation Programme 2007-2013 and aims to study the traditional produce of the Province of Verbania-Cusio-Ossola (VCO) and Canton Ticino (TI).

An in-depth investigation is required to identify methods and means for enhancing and developing the specific characteristics of some examples of typical produce which could be improved and optimized, in order to stimulate the social and economical sustainability of agricultural production in the mountains

Agricultural production in the area which will be examined centres on: goat milk, meat and honey. A Food Education Programme will also be set up so as to emphasize the importance of traditional produce in the culture of a healthy diet.

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GE.S.DI.MONT. CONTRIBUTIONS – ENTE ITALIANO DELLA MONTAGNA

On **18th May** at the Ge.S.Di.Mont. Centre in Edolo there was a meeting to confirm the programme of collaboration between the Interdepartmental Centre and the Italian Organization for the Mountains **Ente Italiano della Montagna (EIM www.eim.gov.it)**.

This organization, based in Rome, and controlled by the Presidency of the Council of Ministers, promotes research initiatives for the development of Italian mountain areas.

With this collaboration Ge.S.Di.Mont. finds another prestigious partner working in favour of the mountains.

Extra activities

26th MAY 2009 4pm "THE FARMER-SHEPHERD CONFLICT IN THE LATE 19TH CENTURY"

On Tuesday **26th May 2009** at 4pm, **Giancarlo Maculotti**, pedagogist and scholar of the history and culture of mountain areas will hold a seminar entitled **"The farmer-shepherd conflict in the late 19th century"**.

The seminar will deal with the following topics:

- changes in agriculture in the plain at the end of the 19th century;
- the media campaign against shepherds;
- an attempt at defence;
- unconditional surrender.

Seminars are free and open to the public

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9th JUNE 2009: HOW MANY DEER? ANALYSIS OF DIFFERENT COUNTING METHODS

On 9th June 2009 at 8.30pm Luca Pedrotti, Scientific Coordinator of the Stelvio National Park, will be in the Main Hall of the Edolo Campus for the seminar **"How Many Deer? Analysis Of Different counting Methods"**.

Contents of the seminar:

In the case of a deer population, a total census is rarely possible and the elusive characteristics of the species make counting directly by sighting difficult.

The validity of different counting methods depends on many factors.

The efficiency of the estimates made with different methods is assessed thanks to some "indices" which include accuracy, sensitivity, and precision.



An accurate knowledge of the size and structure of deer populations is essential in order to develop management strategies in a protected area such as the Stelvio National Park. This fact has led to the decision to try and to apply different counting methods/techniques so as to make a critical assessment of their accuracy and precision in order to obtain consistent, validated and safe estimates

The seminar aims to show how counting techniques have been created and applied in the Park over the last decade and to make a critical assessment of these methods.

The Seminar is free and open to the public

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JUNE 2009: TRIP TO FORNI GLACIER AND SWISS GRISON

The Undergraduate Course in Protection and Enhancement of the Mountain Territory and Environment is organizing from 22nd to the 26th June 2009 a trip to the Forni Glacier and Grison in Switzerland

PROGRAMME(subject to variation):

Monday 22nd June 2009

a.m. departure for Santa Caterina Valfurva.

Early afternoon visit to the [Stelvio National Park](#)

Evening: transfer to Forni Refuge, dinner, followed by

Seminar "Alpine glaciers: the crisis of an important resource"

climate-glacier reports – study techniques and recent results

Speakers: Claudio Smiraglia and G. Diolaiuti (Department of Earth Science – Università degli Studi di Milano)



Overnight stay at the Forni Refuge

Tuesday 23rd June 2009

From the [Forni Refuge](#) (m. 2100) to the Branca Refuge (m. 2500).

If weather conditions allow a group will cross the glacier to reach the Milan University automatic weather station at m. 2750 (45mins walk on glacier).

Arrival in a Poschiavolate afternoon

Welcome by Cassiano Luminati, Director of the Polo Poschiavo and presentation of the Region

Wednesday 24th June 2009

Guided Visit to Borgo di Poschiavo with Cassiano Luminati

Educational Tour "From the Field to the Table" in combination with the teaching allotments Pro Rare Species at the organic farm Al Canton

Train Poschiavo-Cavaglia

Guided Visit to the "Giardino dei Ghiacciai"

Train Cavaglia-Poschiavo

Thursday 25th June 2009

Departure from Poschiavo to Zernez and free time to visit the New Centre of the Swiss National Park

Transfer to Coira in Grison

Friday 26th June 2009

Visit to chestnut woods

[Departure and arrival at Edolo](#)

Students who wish to take part must enrol at the Secretary's Office by 3/06/2009

The final programme will be available soon.

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Dicono di noi...

On **22nd April 2009** *Il Sole 24ore* published the article "**La montagna riparte da a Edolo**" on the role of the Mountain University in re-launching mountain areas.

- First part [CLICK HERE](#)

- Second part [CLICK HERE](#)

On **5th May 2009** the *Giornale di Brescia* spoke of the Open Day organized by the [Edolo Undergraduate Course](#) in the article "**Edolo, giovedì porte aperte all'Mountain University**".

[CLICK HERE](#)

We also invite you to see page <http://www.valmont.unimi.it/dicono%20di%20noi.htm> where you can find all the articles published regarding the Undergraduate Course as of 2001 to date.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE ABOVE-MENTIONED NEWS ITEMS WRITE TO

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