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## **LE PROSSIME INIZIATIVE IN PROGRAMMA:**

**26th October 2011** → Seminar **"Geological instability: river dynamics and landslides in alpine valleys"** – *Enrico Casati*

**27th October 2011** → Seminar in English **"A practical approach to the development of tourism in the mountainous areas of Italy"** – *Alexander Reed*

**From 2nd November to 5th December 2011** → Course **"English for tourism"** course of conversation in English organized by Val.Te.Mo.Association

**From 9th to 23rd November 2011** → Course **"Planning criteria for mini-dairies and small restaurants"** – *Loredana Dioguardi*

**10th November 2011 5.30pm** – **"VAL.TE.MO. ad ARTE"** organized by Val.Te.Mo.Association

**2nd December 2011** → **"Communication, commerce, borders: travelling in Valle Camonica in ancient times"** - *Luca Giarelli (meeting organized as part of ArchaioLoghà 2011)*

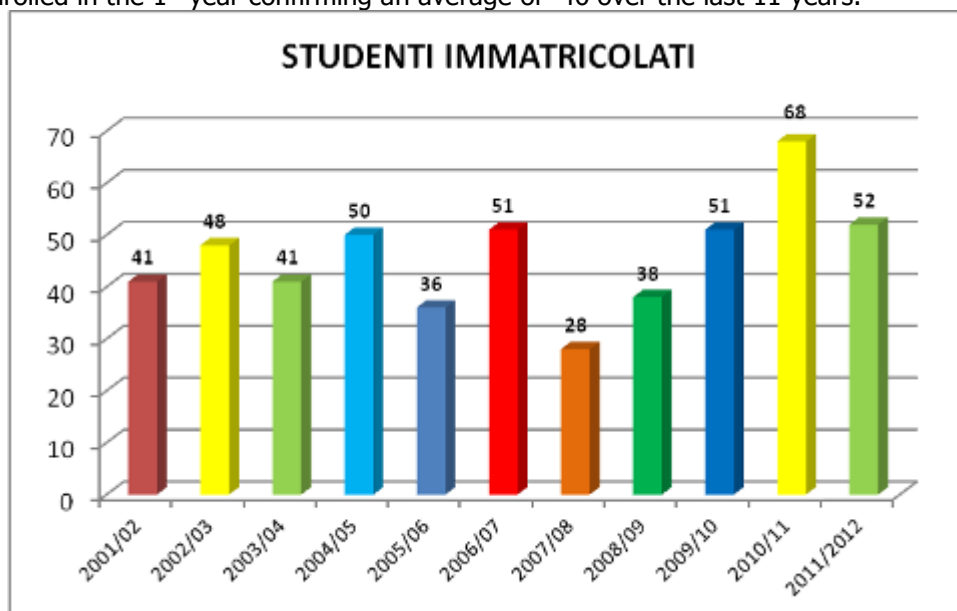
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## START OF NEW ACADEMIC YEAR 2011/2012

Lessons started on 3rd October at the Undergraduate Course in Conservation and Sustainable Development of Mountain areas.

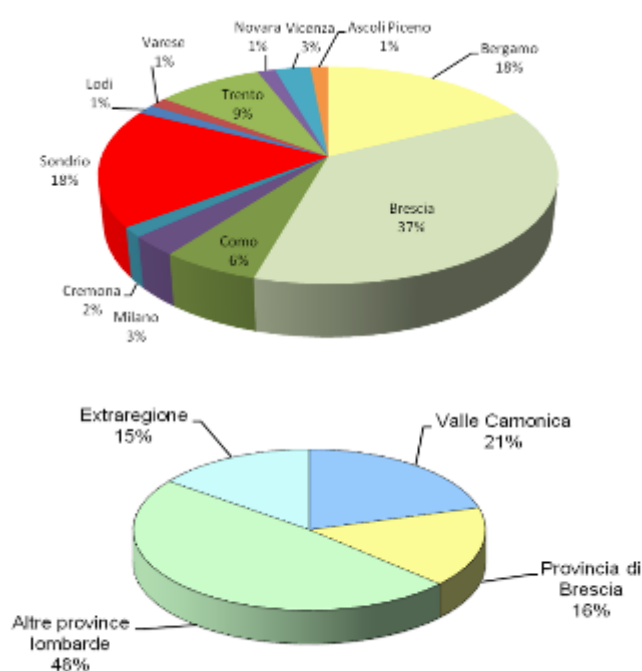
**52** students enrolled in the 1<sup>st</sup> year confirming an average of 46 over the last 11 years.



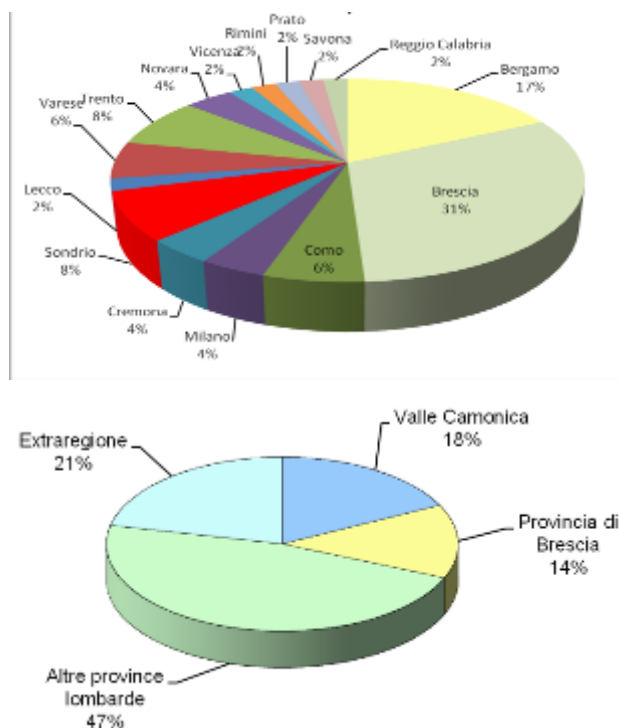
The number of students from outside the province of Lombardy has increased compared to last year.

### PROVINCE OF ORIGIN:

#### A.Y. 2010/2011



#### A.Y. 2011/2012

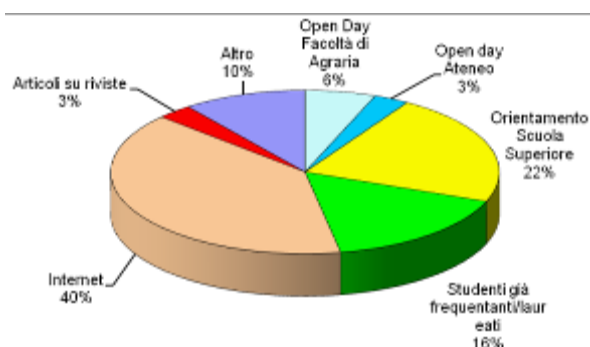


Key: altre province lombarde: other provinces in Lombardy  
extra regione: outside Lombardy

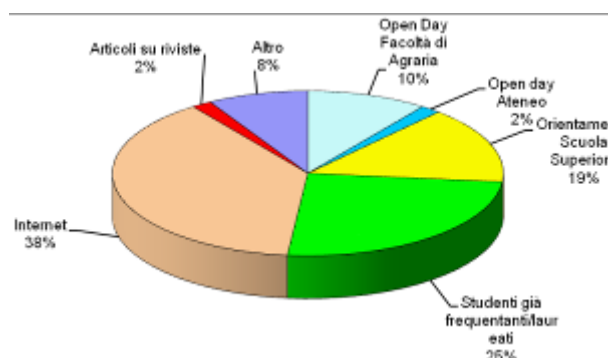
The questionnaire to 1<sup>st</sup> year students showed that many students found out about the degree course not only from the Internet but by word of mouth from satisfied graduates and students already doing the course.

### HOW DID YOU FIND OUT ABOUT THE UNDERGRADUATE COURSE?

A.Y. 2010/2011



A.Y. 2011/2012



Key:

altro: other

studenti già frequentanti/laureati: Course graduates/undergraduates

articoli su riviste: articles in magazines

orientamento scuola superiore: high school career guidance

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## TWO EDOLO STUDENTS GO ABROAD WITH ERASMUS

ERASMUS is a programme promoted by the European Union to encourage university students to move around Europe.

With Erasmus students have the opportunity to study abroad (attending courses, taking exams, preparing theses, doing research, laboratory and clinical activities), with official recognition.

Two students of the Undergraduate Course in Conservation and Sustainable Development of Mountain areas decided to take part and are presently in Germany and Scotland.

Here are their first impressions:

### Lanfranchi Mauro (Casnigo BG) is in Aberdeen, Scotland



*It's a bit too soon to talk about my experiences because I haven't been here long but I can tell you about my first impressions.*

*The greatest problem is with English, but the opportunity to practise the language with local people and other foreigners, and to follow lectures is the ideal way to improve. Socializing is important, going out for a beer can be an opportunity for personal growth thanks to the mix of different cultures.*

*In Edolo the surrounding environment is important but also here in Aberdeen to go to university I walk through an oak wood and then through Seaton Park; Scotland's wild nature is enchanting.*

*I'm planning to go for a weekend in the Cairngorms National park and to the*

*Isle of Skye.*

*In Uni there's a wide range of facilities: there are over 54 sports clubs, from athletics to cricket, gaelic football, ju-jitsu, kendo, polo, shinty etc... There are also 120 other clubs including everything from Acapela society, art society, concert band, creative writing, improvised theatre, and marrow to rock & metal, yoga, thai, sociology...*

*Looking forward to telling you something more next time*

*Mauro*

### Matteo Corti (Como) is in Stuttgart Germany

*Since I studied German as a second foreign language at high school I chose to come to Germany, and in particular to the University of Stuttgart Hohenheim.*

*After one month I can say I have settled in very well, German society is well-known for its open mentality and*



*just in Stuttgart there are people from over 170 countries!  
The university is situated on a hill to the south-east of the city where there are also the head offices of firms such Porsche, Mercedes and Bosch; founded in 1818 there are now 8000 students from all over the world and it is an important centre for agricultural training, one of the main activities of Bundesland Baden-Württemberg (the president Winfried Kretschmann elected last March did his doctorate here).  
My courses have just started but so far I can say that I made the right choice and I wish my fellow students in Edolo too a rewarding and successful year.  
Matteo*

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## THE FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE IN LOVERE TO PROMOTE ECOSUSTAINABILITY

On **8th and 9th October 2011** the event **"A lake of ideas"** took place in Lovere to promote the idea of ecosustainability to children.

The two days were organized by *Associazione Proponendo & Laboratorio di Cultura*, and involved children in creative activities and educational workshops to encourage them to think about the delicate balance between man and nature.

Prof. Franco Sangiorgi of the Edolo Undergraduate Course also took part and in collaboration with ACRA presented, with the practical experience of setting up a vegetable garden, an international project promoted by FAO and the Municipality of Milan "Micro-gardens for the improvement of food security in Dakar (Senegal)".

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## COURSE OF SUSTAINABLE ARCHITECTURE

The Istituto Tecnico Commerciale "F.Meneghini", Edolo in collaboration with the Undergraduate Course in Conservation and Sustainable Development of Mountain areas and B.E.S.T. of Milan Polytechnic is organizing a course of **"Sustainable Architecture"**.

The course, for the students of Istituto Meneghini, aims at providing practical training concentrating on environmental protection. These concepts could be applied to agricultural production.

The course lasts three years. In this first phase 5 meetings will be held for students in Year 3.

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## Extra activities

### 26th OCTOBER 2011: SEMINAR ON GEOLOGICAL INSTABILITY

The Seminar "Geological instability: river dynamics and landslides in alpine valleys" will take place on Wednesday **26th October 2011 from 1.30pm to 5.30pm**, in the Main Hall of the Undergraduate Course in Edolo.

**Enrico Casati**, an Agricultural Sciences graduate who works as a soil scientist, will be dealing with the main morphogenetic dynamics of waterways and land movements along their sides, with particular reference to the events that most affect the landscape (floods, landslides, soil erosion). Some examples will help to highlight the cause-effect relationships with human activities and to appreciate the risks involved.

The Seminar is valid for the recognition of Professional Credits.

**The seminar is open to the public and is free of charge, all are invited.**



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### 27 OCTOBER 2011: SEMINAR IN LINGUA INGLESE



Also for the A.Y. 2011/2012 there will be a Seminar in English.

This initiative will enable our students, and all those who take part, to use their knowledge of English acquired in the classroom in an authentic context.

This year's theme is tourism and the speaker is Alexander Reed, Managing Director of Activity Breaks Ltd in the UK and Travel Consultant at Monticolo Vacanze in Italy.

The Seminar "*A practical approach to the development of tourism in the mountainous areas of Italy*" will be on **Thursday 27th October 2011 at 3.30pm** in the Main Hall of the Undergraduate Course in Edolo and will cover the following topics:

- Defining the opportunities and identifying the "product";
- Identifying and defining the customer;
- Sustainable development of mountain tourism;
- Marketing and communications (main focus);
- Servicing the client and developing "the mountain brand".

**The seminar is open to the public and is free of charge, all are invited.**

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### NOVEMBER 2011: COURSE ABOUT PLANNING MINI-DAIRIES AND SMALL-SCALE FOOD PROVISION

From 9<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>th</sup> November, at the Faculty of Agriculture Edolo Campus, there is a course entitled "**Planning criteria for mini-dairies and small restaurants**".

The course, held by **Loredana Dioguardi**, Food technologist, will last 20 hours and is aimed at the students of the Undergraduate Course in Conservation and Sustainable Development of Mountain areas.

The course objective is to provide the knowledge necessary to properly manage a design process for the food industry. The analysis of case studies will highlight the advantages and disadvantages of the design criteria currently applied to small dairies and catering facilities.

Enrolment must be made before November 4, 2011 directly to the secretary's office in Edolo.

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## ***Ge.S.Di.Mont***

### **8th OCTOBER 2011: "MOUNTAINS, FUTURE PERSPECTIVES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG FARMERS"**

On Saturday 8th October 2011 there was the meeting entitled "**MOUNTAINS, FUTURE PERSPECTIVES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG FARMERS**" in the Main Hall of the Undergraduate Course in Edolo, organized by the Interdepartmental Centre Ge.S.Di.Mont. under the Rural Development Programme 2007-2013 Measure 111 B "Education, Information and Dissemination of Knowledge" funded by the European Union.

After an introduction by prof.ssa Anna Giorgi, speakers included **Vittorio Marniga**, Mayor of Edolo, Gian Maria Rizzi of the Brescia Chamber of Commerce and **Mario Maisetti**, Councillor of the Province di Brescia.



Prof. Giuseppe Carlo Lozzia introduced the other speakers: many professionals, technicians and entrepreneurs who brought their expertise: **Cassiano Luminati**, President of the Regione Valposchiavo (CH), **Alberto Tamburini** Interdepartmental Centre Ge.S.Di.Mont, **Alexander Agethle**, Farmer - Fattoria Caseificio Englhorn – Malles Venosta (BZ), **Giorgio Cesano**, President of Espaci Occitan, Association of Bodies of the Alpine Occitan area (CN), **Paolo Baccolo**, General Director for Agriculture of the Lombardy Region, **Laura Boldi**, President GAL GOLEM, **Graziano Lazzaroni**, Agriculture Sector of the Province of Brescia and graduates and students of the Mountain University in Edolo **Sonia Spagnoli**, **Valentino Bonomi** and **Marco Pennacchio**.

**The councillor for Agriculture Arch. De Capitani**, who attended the entire morning of work, promptly responded to many suggestions arising from the presentations of the speakers and stressed the very strong commitment of the region especially towards disadvantaged areas, particularly in the mountains, with the support of provincial government which manages requests for contributions. He focused on the importance of training, vital in this period of general crisis and an indispensable tool for a real improvement of productive processes in mountain environments, he also mentioned his appreciation for the educational work of the Degree Course in Edolo.

The conference was therefore a meeting place for different situations and experiences connected with the past, present and future presence of young people in the mountains. Interesting examples of technicians, farmers and experts focused on the problems of agriculture in the mountains, a sector which is not marginal but in difficulty, and proposed new ways to improve farming keeping in mind both tradition and innovation.

**A recording of the conference will soon be available at [http://www.gesdimont.unimi.it/convegno\\_8October\\_2011.html](http://www.gesdimont.unimi.it/convegno_8October_2011.html).**

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### **NOVEMBER 2011: A SERIES OF MEETINGS ABOUT WINE PRODUCTION**

As part of the project "*The mountains form and inform*" financed by *PSR 2007/2013 Measure 111 B Information and dissemination of knowledge* the Interdepartmental Centre Ge.S.Di.Mont together with **GAL Gölem Sebino Val Trompia** and **Comunità Montana Sebino Bresciano**, is organizing a series of meetings on **Wine production** which will take place in Sale Marasino (BS) at the Chiesa dei Disciplini in via Roma, 43.

**PROGRAMME:**

*Monday 7th November 2011 – 8pm*

**SETTING UP, MAINTENANCE AND CULTIVATION OPTIONS**

How to set up and manage a vineyard.

*Lecturer: Prof. Lucio Brancadoro (Faculty of Agriculture – Milan University)*

*Thursday 17th November 2011 – 8pm*

**PATHOLOGY AND TREATMENT**

The main diseases which affect grapevines and possible remedies

*Lecturer: Prof. Piero Attilio Bianco (Faculty of Agriculture – Milan University)*

*Giovedì 24th November 2011 – 8pm*

**IMPROVING WINE IN THE CELLAR**

How to produce specific characteristics and/or eliminate defects.

*Lecturer: Dott.ssa Anna Piotti (Centro Vitivinicolo Provinciale di Brescia)*

*Monday 28th November 2011 – 8pm*

**FERTILIZERS, SOIL MANAGEMENT AND CHOICE OF HARVESTING TIME**

How to improve and manage the soil, advantages and disadvantages of various options. How to identify the right time to harvest.

*Lecturer: Prof. Lucio Brancadoro (Faculty of Agriculture – Milan University)*

The meetings are targeted at farmers and farm workers. Participation is **free**.

**For further information:** <http://www.gesdimont.unimi.it>

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## ***Val.Te.Mo. Association***

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### **NOVEMBRE-DECEMBER 2011: CONVERSATION COURSE IN ENGLISH**

The VAL.TE.MO. Association is organizing a second **ENGLISH FOR TOURISM** course Beginners level STEP 2.

The course, which lasts 9 hours, aims to provide some basic aspects of the language useful to those working in tourism. Since it concentrates mainly on developing oral skills the course may also be useful to those wishing to travel abroad for tourism. The course concentrates on the development of communicative skills with role plays, conversation, pair work and group work with a native speaker.

The course will take place from 2<sup>nd</sup> **November** to **5 December 2011** in Faculty of Agriculture, Edolo Campus

**Information:** Val.Te.Mo.Association Tel. 0364/71324 [info@valtemo.it](mailto:info@valtemo.it)

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### **10 NOVEMBER 2011: "VAL.TE.MO. ad ARTE"**

Val.Te.Mo.Association , in collaboration with the Museum Mu.S.A. of Edolo is organizing **"VAL.TE.MO. ad ARTE"**.

The event, organized for the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the association will be on **Thursday 10th November 2011** from 5.30.pm.

**PROGRAMME:**

5.30.pm.

**Visit to the exhibition of paintings of the XVI – XVII Centuries "From Face to Soul." At the Oratorio**



## dei Disciplini di Edolo

6pm

**Aperitif with live music**

7pm

**Dinner at Ristorante "Al Vivione" , Forno Allione**

Cost of the dinner: € 20,00 - For Val.Te.Mo.Association members: € 18,00

9pm

**Meeting at Ristorante "Al Vivione"**

**The event is open to the public and is free of charge, all are invited.**

**To take part enrol by 7 November 2011 at Val.Te.Mo.Association :**

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*We would like to thank*



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## **PROGETTO "A CIELO APERTO"**



The project "A cielo aperto", promoted by the provinces of Sondrio and Brescia, in collaboration with the Association Val.Te.Mo, ERSAF Lombardy and the Consortium for the Management of Lake Iseo, Lake Endine and More, entered its final phase.

During the summer and also partly in autumn there have been some workshops and excursions in our mountain area, with the participation of our members. The events have included some classes of high school students in the Valtellina and Valle Camonica. The topics focused on safety in the mountains, lakes and rivers, as well as environmental sustainability and protection of these fragile ecosystems.

Our members have made a series of interviews with students with questions relating to the issues dealt with. The association will create a video for the final event, scheduled for the end of December, in which the young people themselves demonstrate the activities undertaken and knowledge gained.

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## ***About us***

This month:

**"L'agricoltura come attività per il rilancio delle aree montane"** - published by *Bresciaoggi* on 8 October 2011 [CLICK HERE](#)

We also invite you to see page [http://www.valmont.unimi.it/italiano/course/dicono\\_di\\_noi.html](http://www.valmont.unimi.it/italiano/course/dicono_di_noi.html) where you can find all the articles published regarding the Undergraduate Course.

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