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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 Edolo campus has been busy with a wide variety of activities this month too: a graduation session, a scientific symposium, and various courses and seminars.

Other important events are the Faculty of Agriculture Open Day in Milan and a meeting in Rome organized by the Ente Italiano della Montagna: Dott.ssa Anna Giorgi has just become the new Director of this organization.

Last but not least you're very welcome to take part in the meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> March entitled "*Young people and the mountains: opportunities and new professions*" where we will be looking at which main sectors our graduates are working in and future work opportunities in the mountains.

See below for further details.

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### **NEXT EVENTS:**

**From 12th February to 26th March 2010** → Course "**GIS for mountain territory**"

**23rd February 2010 3.45pm** → Seminar "**Diet, health, nutraceuticals, tradition: what links these themes?**" – *Marcello Duranti (Università degli Studi di Milano)*

**11th March 2010** → "**Young people and the mountains: opportunities and new professions**" In collaboration with the Associazione Gente di Montagna, Ente italiano della Montagna and Ge.S.Di.Mont

**For further information see the sections "News" and "Extra activities".**

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## **ANNA GIORGI IS THE NEW DIRECTOR OF THE ENTE ITALIANO DELLA MONTAGNA**

As of the 1st February **Dott.ssa Anna Giorgi is the new Director of the EIM**, Ente Italiano della Montagna, a public research body controlled by the Presidency of the Council of Ministers, to support the cultural, social and economic development and protection of Italian mountain areas.

The organization provides consultancy and support to government authorities, local councils, and other organizations by collecting and providing data and information about the mountains, elaborating policies and suitable intervention in favour of mountain areas and defining innovative strategies and actions so as to transform opportunities for development into research projects regarding different sectors or geographical areas.

**Visit the site:** [www.eim.gov.it](http://www.eim.gov.it)

Dott.ssa Anna Giorgi is a lecturer in agriculture and environmental botany at the Faculty of Agriculture of Università degli Studi di Milano. Over the last few years she has been working on the coordination and promotion of the Undergraduate Course in Protection and Enhancement of the Mountain Territory and Environment in Edolo.

We wish Anna Giorgi all the best in her new appointment safe in the knowledge that the thorough knowledge of the mountains and problems linked to this environment gained thanks to her work with the Mountain University, will allow her to make an important contribution for mountain areas.

The link below is the first national interview as EIM director in which Dott.ssa Giorgi mentions our degree course:

<http://www.trasporti-oggi.it/archives/00032552.html>

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## **17th FEBRUARY 2010: EXTRAORDINARY GRADUATION SESSION 2008/2009**

The extraordinary graduation session 2008/2009 was held on 17th February 2010 at 9.30 a.m. at the Edolo Campus

The new graduates:

### **Dell'Osa Enrico (Turate - CO)**

Thesis: "Cashmere goats in Italia"

Supervisor: Alberto Tamburini (Department of Animal Science – Agricultural Zootechny Section)

### **Faustini Nicola (Pisogne – BS)**

Thesis: "The application of phenological and demographical models in apiculture"

Supervisor: De Noni Ivano (Department of Microbiology and Food Science and Technology)

### **Fenotti Stefano (Nave – BS)**

Thesis: "Research on alpaca breeders in Northern Italy and morphological evaluation of the animals"

Supervisor: Alberto Tamburini (Department of Animal Science – Agricultural Zootechny Section)

### **Legrenzi Federico (Villa d'Ogna - BG)**

Thesis: "Assessment of the reinforcement given by roots in a forest environment and the decay thereof"

Supervisor: Bischetti Gian Battista (Dipartimento di Ingegneria Agraria)

### **Pavoni Alessandra (Vobarno - BS)**

Thesis: "Characterisation of the pastures of the Valle Sabbia and Parco Alto Garda Bresciano according to polyphenolic content and anti-oxidising activity"

Supervisor: Anna Giorgi (Department of Plant Production)

### **Rivetta Elisa (Vione - BS)**

Thesis: "Ecology of the Marmot (*Marmota marmota*) in a breeding site of the Golden eagle (*Aquila chrysaetos*) in the Lombardy sector of the Stelvio National Park "

Supervisor: Giuseppe Carlo Lozzia (Department of Protection of Urban and food and agriculture systems and Protection of Biodiversity)

### **Trotti Paolo (Pisogne – BS)**

Thesis: "Analysis of the reproductive biology of the Bearded Vulture (*Gypaetus barbatus*) and Golden eagle (*Aquila chrysaetos*) in the Stelvio National Park "

Supervisor: Giuseppe Carlo Lozzia (Department of Protection of Urban and food and agriculture systems and Protection of Biodiversity)

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## "GIS FOR THE MOUNTAINS"



The course *GIS for the mountain territory*, set up by the Faculty of Agriculture of the Università degli Studi di Milano started on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2010.

**It's the first time that the Edolo campus has hosted this type of course, an important training opportunity for the area.**

This type of post-degree course is aimed at developing high quality professional skills, at widening knowledge previously acquired during training courses or work activities; it is therefore intended for those who wish to further their professional training continuing to study the subjects in which they graduated and to those who, already working, wish to gain further qualifications.

The course training objectives are to provide basic knowledge of Geographic Information Systems from a theoretical and practical point of view and to develop territory analysis by means of GIS technology in order to make land planning choices, in particular regarding mountain areas. The final objective is to train experts able to make use of the enormous potential offered by information technology.

The Course which lasts 50 hours is taking place in the IT laboratory of the new University Building in Edolo. Some of the 11 participants are graduates of the Edolo course.

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## THE MOUNTAIN UNIVERSITY HOSTS A CULTURAL AND SCIENTIFIC SYMPOSIUM

The Mountain University hosted the 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of the cultural and scientific symposium of the Department of Chemistry and Bio-engineering of Tampere University of Technology in Finland and the Department of Microbiology and Food Science and Technology of the Faculty of Agriculture of Milan University, entitled "*Third Interdepartmental IEEB/DiSTAM Twinning Symposium: Approaching Biosensing Applications by New Applied Microbiology*".

The symposium took place from **14<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> February 2010** with the participation of about fifteen lecturers, researchers and postgraduate students of the two Universities.

Subjects covered included Microbial Ecology, the use of biofuels, cultural heritage, probiotic products and the event also included moments of relaxation in the snow covered mountains around Edolo and a visit to the important archaeological sites of the Vallecamonica.

The symposium also confirmed the new collaboration between Tampere University of Technology and the Faculty of Agriculture of the Università degli Studi di Milano as part of the LPP/Erasmus programme.

On 14 February 2010, **Guido Bera, Edolo's Councillor for Education and Culture**, welcomed the lecturers, researchers and postgraduate students to Edolo for the symposium.

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## 24th FEBRUARY 2010: LET'S SAVE A MOUNTAIN OF FLAVOURS –FIMONT PROJECT

On 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> January at the Edolo campus and at the Comunità Montana Valsesia there were two days dedicated to the project "**FIMONT - Methods and systems for enhancing the value of traditional local food**", promoted by the Ente Italiano della Montagna.

On **24th February 2010** from 9.30 to 1.30pm in Roma at the *Sala delle Conferenze - Palazzo Marini* there will be the final convention on the FIMONT project entitled "**Let's save a mountain of flavours**". The meeting will include a presentation of the research which has been carried out, a report and in-depth examination of the topics as well as a round table aimed at identifying future trends and opportunities for promoting traditional Italian mountain food products.

Speeches by the EIM President and the Ministers invited will be followed by a technical part regarding the project objectives and research carried out.

## PROGRAMME

9,30 – Registration

10,00 - **Massimo Romagnoli** - Presidente of the Ente Italiano della Montagna

**Anna Giorgi** - Director of the Ente Italiano della Montagna

*Moderator: Camilla Nata*



*Ministers' speeches:*

**Raffaele Fitto** Minister for Relations with Regions

**Mariastella Gelmini** Minister of Education, University and Research

*Presentation of the project*

**Giacomo Elias** – the Project's Scientific Coordinator

**Rosanna Farina** – Project Manager for the Ente Italiano della Montagna and coordinator of the Task groups

*Technical Section - Analysis of case studies*

11,30 - Herbs of the Valle Camonica, **Riccardo Guidetti**

11,50 - Toma of Valsesia, **Loredana Dioguardi**

12,10 – Sopravissana Sheep, **Elena Pagliarino**

12,30 – Potato bread of the Garfagnana area, **Danilo Marandola**

12,50 – Mountain Walnut, **Maria Emilia Malvolti, Francesco Cannata**

13,10 - Discussion

13,30 - Buffet at the Hotel delle Nazioni

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## 24<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2010: OPEN DAY FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE

The Open Day of the Faculty of Agriculture of Milan's Università degli Studi is on **24th February 2010 at 9.30 a.m.** in the Main Hall C03 in Via Mangiagalli 25, Milan.

**For further information**

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## *Extra activities*

### 23<sup>rd</sup> FEBRUARY 2010: SEMINAR WITH PROF. DURANTI



On **23rd February 2010 at 3.45pm** in the Main Hall of the Edolo Campus of the Faculty of Agriculture there will be a Seminar "Diet, health, nutraceuticals, tradition: what links these themes?"

The conference will be held by Marcello Duranti, lecturer in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology at the Università degli Studi di Milano.

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

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## VAL.TE.MO. Association

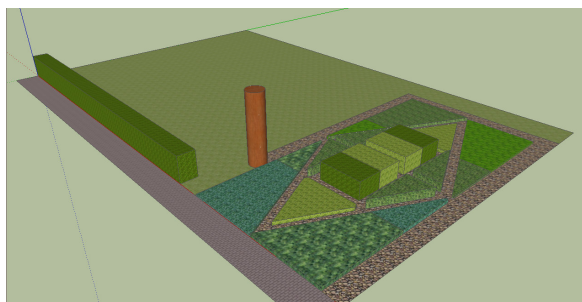
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### THE HERB GARDEN TAKES SHAPE

Recent newsletters have mentioned the project set up by the VAL.TE.MO. Association entitled **"A journey through shapes, fragrances, colours and the history of their use in the mountains"**. The project plans to create a herb garden of officinal, medicinal and tinctorial plants for educational and teaching purposes in order to highlight the special environmental and cultural characteristics of mountain areas and in particular the Valle Camonica. The garden will be situated next to the Mountain University and will provide guided tours and workshops aimed at students of all ages and the general public who wish to discover the world of herbs.

The soil has been analysed, the species of herbs which will be grown in the garden have been chosen and suppliers identified, the necessary equipment has been purchased and the layout of the garden is being planned:



In the coming months the irrigation system will be installed and flowerbeds created.

The project receives support from Fondazione Bresciana and Cassa Rurale Alta Val di Pejo Val di Sole. If you would like to contribute with financing or practical help contact the association by calling 0364/71324 or send an e-mail to [valtemo@tiscali.it](mailto:valtemo@tiscali.it)

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This month:

- **"Seminario in Università sulla sacralità della montagna"** published by *Giornale di Brescia* on 21st January 2010 [CLICK HERE](#);
- **"Giornata di studio sulle erbe officinali"** published by *Giornale di Brescia* on 27th January 2010 [CLICK HERE](#)
- **"Una camuna direttrice dell'Ente della montagna"** published by *Giornale di Brescia* on 29th January 2010 [CLICK HERE](#)
- **"Un'esperta camuna alle politiche montane"** published by *Bresciaoggi* on 17th February 2010 [CLICK HERE](#)

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