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We invite you to take part in the various events organized by the Undergraduate Course in Conservation and Sustainable Development of Mountain areas. All events are open to the public and free of charge unless indicated otherwise.

You can find more information on the undergraduate course and various events at the Edolo campus at www.valmont.unimi.it

For further information you can contact us via e-mail corso.edolo@unimi.it or phone 0364.71324

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

24th November 2010 → II graduation session A.Y. 2009/2010

25th November 2010 3.30pm → Seminar in English **"The challenge of implementing infrastructure and Development projects in environmentally sensitive areas"** - *John Betts (Civil and Environmental Engineer)*

January 2011 → Course **"Press office, communication and public affairs in organizations that operate in the mountain sector: organization and management of functions"** - *Maria Teresa Pellicori (UNCCEM)*

Fur further details see below

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24th NOVEMBER 2010: II GRADUATION SESSION A.Y. 2009/2010

On Wednesday 24th November 2009 at 9.30 a.m. there was the 2nd degree session of the academic year 2009/2010.

The candidates were:

Carrara Fiorella (Serina - BG)

Thesis: "Shelf-life of the cheese 'Asiago pressato' during refrigerated storage"

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

Chiminelli Domenico (Sonico - BS)

Thesis: "The *Rabbia* stream (Valle Camonica Bs)"

Supervisor: Bischetti Gian Battista (Department of Agricultural Engineering)

Leoni Valeria (castellana - VA)

Thesis: "Biodiversity and conservation of endangered Italian autochthonous cattle breeds"

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

Pierik Mario Enrico (Esine - BS)

Thesis: "Study of the biodiversity and the dynamics of re-naturalization of pastures in lower Valle Camonica"

Supervisor: Bocchi Stefano (Department of Plant Production)

Ravelli Cristina (Artogne - BS)

Thesis: "Investigation of an area of hydro-geological instability in the municipality of Piancamuno (BS)"

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

Richiedei Piero (Sarezzo - BS)

Thesis: "Hydro-geological in Valle Trompia with particular reference to existing works "

Supervisor: Bischetti Gian Battista (Department of Agricultural Engineering)

Zanotti Dario (Marone - BS)

Thesis: "Assessment of the efficacy of stabilization of mountain slopes with naturalistic engineering (Val Palot, BS)"

Supervisor: Bischetti Gian Battista (Department of Agricultural Engineering)

Graduation sessions are open to the public.

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3rd December 2010: CITIES AND MOUNTAINS: TWO SIDES OF THE SAME WORLD

What do highlands represent in times of world crisis? Does it make sense to talk about cities and mountains as two separate and opposing worlds?

The Associazione Dislivelli, together with the Dipartimento Interateneo Territorio, will try to answer these and other questions about mountains on Friday **3rd December** at 9am in the Sala Audiovisivi of the Faculty of Architecture (Castello del Valentino, viale Mattioli 39 Turin) during the meeting: "***Cities and mountains: two sides to one world. Living the mountains in the third millennium***"

Giuseppe Dematteis, Enrico Camanni, Anna Giorgi, Sergio Reolon, Marcella Morandini, Antonio De Rossi and Luca Mercalli will be discussing the future of highlands seen from the outside while administrators, entrepreneurs and researchers from Alpine valleys will bring their view "from the inside".

Marco Balagna, Enrico Borghi, Valentino Castellani, Roberto Vaglio, Maurizio Piatti, Aldo Reschigna, Giuseppe Rossetto, will take part in the round table which follows.

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Extra activities

25th NOVEMBER 2010: SEMINAR IN ENGLISH

The seminar **"The challenge of implementing infrastructure and Development projects in environmentally sensitive areas"** will take place on Thursday **25th November 2010 at 3.45pm** in the Main hall of the Edolo Campus

During the seminar, *John Betts*, Civil and Environmental Engineer, will explore three themes; the importance of economic development as an essential component for the wellbeing and improved quality of life it brings to society; the challenges faced by the local principle protagonists – *The Infrastructure Engineer; The Developer; and, The Environmentalist* – when confronted with delivering development projects in environmentally sensitive areas; and finally, some legal instruments available to moderate the negative impact of development projects within rural and mountain environments



Considering the importance of foreign languages the undergraduate course is organizing various activities to allow students to use the knowledge acquired in class in authentic situations. Apart from this seminar some lessons are completely in English.

The seminar is open to the public and free of charge

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OUT AND ABOUT...

On the 11th November the students of the second year of the Undergraduate Course in Conservation and Sustainable Development of Mountain areas, accompanied by prof. Franco Sangiorgi, visited the "Museum House" in Cerveno as part of the course **"Rural and forest buildings."**

The "Casa Museo di Cerveno", a rural building dating back to the end of the 16th century, is a good example of building techniques (materials and methods) and organization of space. Outside there is a large wine-press which has recently been restored and is now in working order.

In particular, the local materials: (limestone, wood and iron) are skilfully worked to obtain tools to use in the fields, pastures and woods, for viticulture and wine-making, and for the various activities connected with farm animals.



The house has obviously been modified over the years but is strongly built in order to resist earthquakes, and guarantees a microclimate which while not ideal is certainly better than outside.

Another interesting building visited by students is the town dairy which played an important role in the economy of the village. The dairy had two large vats mounted over a fireplace on large wooden arms and a butter churn worked by a hydraulic wheel.

Extra interest was added by the presence of dummies dressed with traditional clothes taken from paintings of the historical period as well as

other items produced for the "Santa Crus" an event which represents the Passion of Christ, and takes place once every 10 years.

Our thanks go to Anna Bonfadini, ex-mayor of Cerveno, who explained with skill and enthusiasm the history of the museum and whose explanation and examples brought clearly to life the traditional life-style of the village's

inhabitants.

This was one of the training trips organized as part of the undergraduate course which includes many field trips in order to provide students of the Undergraduate Course in Conservation and Sustainable Development of Mountain areas with a thorough practical as well as theoretical training.

Over the next few days the second year students will be visiting a pig-breeding farm in Capo di Ponte and a dairy farm in Breno (az. Romelli), while those of the third year will be busy with two field trips to "Latteria Soresina", a dairy as part of the **Agricultural Industries** course and a visit to the companies STIHL and SAME DEUTZ-FAHR ITALIA as part of the **Agricultural Mechanization** course.

Photos of field trips organized by the Edolo campus can be seen at:

http://www.valmont.unimi.it/italiano/immagini/foto_uscite.html

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JANUARY 2011: COURSE OF COMMUNICATION IN ORGANIZATIONS WHICH WORK IN THE MOUNTAINS

The Edolo Undergraduate Course, in collaboration with the Val.Te.Mo. Association is organizing a course entitled **"Press office, communication and public affairs in organizations that operate in the mountain sector: organization and management of functions"**

The course, which will last 20 hours will be held by **Maria Teresa Pellicori**, Head of the Press Office of UNCEM, Unioni Nazionale Comuni Comunità Enti Montani.

The course will explain how to manage a press office and communication in companies and other organizations which operate in the mountain sector.

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The first day will deal with recent changes in legislation regarding institutional communication and resulting career opportunities in public administration, in particular concentrating on lobbying and public affairs with strategies for influencing high level decisions

The second day will concentrate on the Press office from techniques for writing press releases to setting up an interview and other ways to capture the attention of the media and the general public.

The third day will deal with press conferences analyzing in particular the communication activities involved as well as communication on a European level with particular reference to career opportunities in the UE and international organizations which deal with mountains.

For further information on the course and enrolment please contact the Faculty of Agriculture, Edolo campus – Via Morino n.8 – 25048 Edolo (BS) Tel. 0364/71324 corso.edolo@unimi.it

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Associazione Val.Te.Mo.

20th NOVEMBER 2010: CONFERENCE ON HERBS AND SOFT FRUIT

On Saturday **20 November 2010** at the Edolo campus of the Faculty of Agriculture there was the seminar entitled "**Characteristics of minor crops in mountain areas: herbs and soft fruits**" organized by the Val.Te.Mo. Association.

After the introduction by **Franco Sangiorgi** (President of the Undergraduate Course in Conservation and Sustainable Development of Mountain areas), **Francesco Ponteri** (President of the Val.Te.Mo. Association) and **Martino Occhi** who explained the association's past and future activities **Anna Giorgi** (Università degli Studi di Milano), **Claudio Agnolin** and **Flavio Kaisermann** (Fondazione Mach - Istituto agrario di San Michele all'Adige) talked about the cultivation of herbs and soft fruits in the mountains.



The conference finished with a buffet of typical products and herb teas produced by Associazione Herbane Camune.

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This conference ends the project entitled "*The herb garden: a journey through shapes, fragrances, colours and the history of their use in the mountains*" which led to the creation of a herb garden next to the Mountain University. The project also involves the organization of educational activities regarding medicinal herbs and plants. As well as the above-mentioned conference there was a course and guided visits.



The final report on the project will soon be available on the site of the association www.valtemo.it

The project was realized thanks to help from:



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VALTEMO: MEMBERSHIP 2011

You can now join the **VAL.TE.MO. Association** for 2011.

With 5 euro you can become a member of the association and contribute to promoting the knowledge, enhancement and conservation of the mountains by taking an active part in the members' meetings and association activities, as well as in important projects for sustainable development in the mountains but also for work and professional training.

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

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

At www.valtemo.it you can find general information, projects realized so far and in progress as well as the statute of the association.

The Valtemo membership card, valid until 31/12/2011, also provides discounts at:

Comprensorio Adamello Ski Ponte Di Legno-Tonale;

Edolo Swimming Pool;

" Anna Sport " shop in Vezza d'Oglio;

Centro Estetica L'arcata, Ponte Di Legno;

Faculty of Agriculture, Edolo Campus

In order to obtain the discounts you must present the the Val.Te.Mo. Association membership card..

For further information or to join phone 0364/71324 or e-mail valtemo@tiscali.it

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