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## **NEXT EVENTS:**

**Wednesday 28 November 2012** → Seminar "**Strategies and tools to promote mountain areas**"  
*organized by Interdisciplinary Centre Ge.S.Di.Mont.*

**Wednesday 28 November 2012** → Seminar "**Smells and scents in sensory communication**"  
*organized by Interdisciplinary Centre Ge.S.Di.Mont.*

**Thursday 29 November 2012** → Seminar "**Use of open source GIS software for territorial data bank processing**" *organized by Interdisciplinary Centre Ge.S.Di.Mont.*

**Wednesday 5 December 2012** → Seminar "**Organizational models of self-government in the Alps: historical bases for autonomy**" *organized by Interdisciplinary Centre Ge.S.Di.Mont.*

**Wednesday 5 December 2012** → Seminar "**Focus areas: winter and summer mountain tourism, gastronomic tourism, ecotourism and tourism in protected areas, hiking**" *organized by Interdisciplinary Centre Ge.S.Di.Mont.*

**Tuesday 11 December 2012** → Seminar "**Activities related to agritourism, national and regional legislation**" *organized by Interdisciplinary Centre Ge.S.Di.Mont.*

**Friday 14 December 2012** → Seminar "**Protection of agricultural and crop biodiversity: an opportunity for mountain areas**" *organized by Interdisciplinary Centre Ge.S.Di.Mont.*

**For further information see below**

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## News

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### 27th NOVEMBER 2012: 2nd GRADUATION SESSION A.Y. 2011/2012

The 2nd GRADUATION SESSION of A.Y. 2011/2012 will take place on Tuesday **27th November 2012** at the Mountain University. The Commission will assess the final theses of the following candidates:

**Bertolazzi Paolo (Iseo – BS)**

Dissertation: "Enhancing tourism in the mountains around Lake Iseo" – The project "Malghe in Rete"

Supervisor: Gianfranco Gregorini

**Chiminelli Ivan (Sonico - BS)**

Dissertation: "Renewable energy in the mountains: small hydroelectric plants in Valcamonica"

Supervisor: Prof. Marco Fiala

**Corgatelli Gabriele (Delebio - SO)**

Dissertation: "Forest Management and Natura 2000 for the protection of the capercaillie (*tetrao urogallus*): the Val Lesina and Val Gerola Regional Forests"

Supervisor: Gianfranco Gregorini

**Greco Cristina (Sondalo - SO)**

Dissertation: "Analysis of the population of Ungulates in the Storile hunting sector "

Supervisor: Silvana Mattiello

**Reynaud Nicola (Tavernerio - CO)**

Dissertation: "Animal behaviour in a herd of Highland cattle in very degraded marginal areas and utilization of pasture "

Supervisor: Alberto Tamburini

**Stabilini Dimitri (Cerete - BG)**

Dissertation: "Analysis of the biomass available for energy purposes in the Presolana Forest Consortium (BG)"

Supervisor: Gianfranco Gregorini

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## Mountain University

### ***MIUR-UNIMI programme agreement implementation***

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As of this issue, the newsletter will also have a new section dedicated to the **framework agreement** for the Mountain University stipulated between the Ministry of Education and Research and Milan University. The Memorandum of Understanding provides for the enhancement of the Edolo Campus of the University, to make it a Centre of excellence for the study of mountain areas.

The implementation of the framework includes both teaching and research activities. The various activities are defined by the study group Committee provided for in the program, consisting of professors of Milan University and of other Italian universities involved in the field of education and research on topics related to mountain areas and of representatives of bodies and Italian institutions, such as FEDERBIM and the State Forestry Corps, widely present in mountain areas of Italy.

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## ENHANCING THE USE OF THE WEB TO PROMOTE THE STUDY OF MOUNTAIN AREAS

Among the activities carried out in recent months as part of the agreement between MIUR and Milan University we report the current experiment regarding the use of Internet to allow the **remote fruition** of seminars at the Mountain University in Edolo. Thanks to the support of the CTU (the University eLearning and multimedia production centre <http://www.ctu.unimi.it>), of Milan University, a virtual classroom connects all those interested wherever they may be, using an ordinary Internet connection.

The current trial is giving encouraging results, with numerous individual and group connections from all over Italy. So far, about 116 people linked from all over the mountain areas of Lombardy, Trentino and Piedmont have been able to follow the seminars on-line. An increasing number of connection requests are from institutions throughout the Alps, as well as professionals, students, lecturers, and simply people living in mountain areas, both to see the live seminars and to view recordings, published on the website <http://www.valmont.unimi.it/italiano/studenti/calendario.html>.

Users of this "service" include the **Association ARS.UNI.VCO of Domodossola (VB)** that allows interested citizens in the area to follow the seminars that are held at the 'Mountain University in Edolo. A virtual "bridge" between the Piedmont and Lombardy Alps to transfer good ideas and best practices that can promote positive actions in the development of mountain areas. The goal is to establish an interconnected Alpine network and to this end we invite all those interested - institutions, local organizations, educational centres, individual citizens with an Internet connection available to contact us for information on how to connect.



**For further information see the Multimedia and Video section.**

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## THE EDOLO CENTRE AT THE FOURTH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON MOUNTAIN VITICULTURE

The IV International Congress on Viticulture in Mountains and / or Steep Slopes was held in Lyon, from 7-9 November 2012, organized by CERVIM in collaboration with the *Comité de Pilotage Viti-Vinicole du Rhône-Alpes*. CERVIM (Centre for Research, Studies, Conservation, Coordination and Promotion of Mountain Viticulture) is an international organization created with the specific task of promoting and safeguarding viticulture in the mountains (website: <http://www.cervim.org/>).



**Anna Giorgi** attended the meeting explaining the opportunities arising from networking between representative institutions on issues relevant to mountain areas in order to design and implement initiatives for research and experimentation on an international scale with great potential for mountain areas. The promotion of cooperation in science provided for in the framework agreement is encouraging the creation of a large network, which will soon be provided with a dedicated PORTAL.

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## **NOVEMBER and DECEMBER 2012: CONFERENCES**



**Ge.S.Di.Mont.**, as part of the project **@zione Rurale**, financed by the programme of Rural Development 2007-2013 measure 331B, ([www.gesdimont.unimi.it](http://www.gesdimont.unimi.it)), and as part of the implementation of the agreement between MIUR and Milan University is organizing a series of events in November 2012 and February 2013 at the Edolo campus (BS) in via Morino n.8.

The meetings are open to the public and free of charge

Meetings can be followed via web. Participation via web is limited to users who have booked. We therefore invite you to contact the

Secretary's Office in Edolo to find out more.

Tel. 0364/71324; email: [gesdimont@unimi.it](mailto:gesdimont@unimi.it)

### **NEXT EVENTS:**

**Wednesday 28 November 2012 at 9 a.m.**

**Seminar "Strategies and tools to promote mountain areas"**

**Wednesday 28 November 2012 at 4.30 p.m.**

**Seminar "Smells and scents in sensory communication"**

**Thursday 29 November 2012 – at 5 p.m.**

**Seminar "The use of open source GIS software for territorial data bank processing"**

**Wednesday 5 December 2012 at 9.30 a.m.**

**Seminar "Organizational models of self-government in the Alps: historical bases for autonomy"**

**Wednesday 5 December 2012 at 1.30 p.m.**

**Seminar "Focus areas: winter and summer mountain tourism, gastronomic tourism, ecotourism and tourism in protected areas, hiking"**

**Tuesday 11 December 2012 at 6 p.m.**

**Seminar "The use of open source GIS software**

**.Seminar " Activities related to agritourism, national and regional legislation "**

**Friday 14 December 2012 at 6 p.m.**

**Seminar "Protection of agricultural and crop biodiversity: an opportunity for mountain areas "**

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## Val.Te.Mo Association

### VALTEMO ASSOCIATION: "Biodiversely aware" PROJECT

Val.Te.Mo. Association is taking part in the project "*Biodiversely aware - Young people and participation in the protection of rural areas*" organized by the **Province of Brescia** in partnership with the **Province of Bergamo, Fondazione Fojanini (SO)** and **Fondazione Edmund Mach (TN)**.

The objectives of the project are to:

- disseminate knowledge of the concept of biodiversity and its origin, its organization, possible risks and the rules that protect it;
- monitor biodiversity, through training and involvement of young people in Agricultural studies;
- create a network of data and knowledge of the biodiversity of agricultural land, using the full potential of the Internet
- train the younger generations to respect this natural resource aiming at its conservation and sustainable development, creating a permanent network of information regarding biodiversity;
- stimulate the interest of young people towards the issues of biodiversity and conservation in general and to foster their participation in scientific debate by supporting the development of specific skills in the field of sustainable development in mountain areas;
- encourage in schools an "interactive" consciousness, able to cope with the demands of modern education, in which the topics of the educational curriculum are based in a current and real context.

The project lasts one year and requires the involvement of high school students in the provinces of Brescia, Bergamo, Sondrio and Trento.

Between January and March 2013 the association will deal with the training meetings planned in the provinces concerned, and between March and April 2013 with field activities.

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## Multimedia e Video

### LATEST EVENTS AVAILABLE:

"Life-long learning and digital innovation for the Mountain University" - 14 November 2012 [CLICK HERE](#)

"Tourism: the basic characteristics and main trends in demand " - 14 November 2012 [CLICK HERE](#)

"Hydrogeological instability and land use in alpine valleys" - 12 November 2012 [CLICK HERE](#)

"Protected Designation of Origin products, from farm to fork. Organic products, national legislation and enforcement" – 9 November 2012 [CLICK HERE](#)

"Tourism: the basic characteristics and main trends in demand" – 7 November 2012 [CLICK HERE](#)

"Young farmers in the mountains: a real prospect?" – 5 November 2012 [CLICK HERE](#)

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### RECORDING AND BROADCASTING OF EVENTS AT THE MOUNTAIN UNIVERSITY

The web conferencing service, supported by the CTU of Milan University, allows you to watch live seminars and

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interact with the speakers as follows:

- **Live participation**

Participation is only for users who have booked. We therefore invite you to contact the Secretary's Office in Edolo (Tel. 0364/71324 [corso.edolo@unimi.it](mailto:corso.edolo@unimi.it)) to find out more.

- **Watching recordings of past events at the Mountain University**

Visit <http://www.valmont.unimi.it/italiano/studenti/calendario.html>

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## **FACEBOOK**

**The Mountain University** has an official group on *facebook*! To visit it, [click here](#)

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## ***About us***

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This month:

**"Dai campi spunta l'oro rosso. Lo zafferano camuno è realtà – Bresciaoggi 24th October 2012** [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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