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HIGHLIGHTS



UNIMONT ACTIVITIES DURING LOCKDOWN: THE RESILIENCE OF A UNIVERSITY CENTRE THAT SHARES KNOWLEDGE AND IDEAS FROM THE MOUNTAINS AND ENCOURAGES INTERACTION BETWEEN MOUNTAIN AND URBAN AREAS!

During the Covid-19 health emergency lockdown, UNIMONT has demonstrated the "**resilience**" it has learnt from many years of daily work in mountain areas. Building a university campus in a small mountain town with fewer than 5,000 inhabitants has been the challenge of the University of Milan during over 20 years of work in Edolo, together with local authorities such as the Province of Brescia, the Comunità Montana and BIM of Vallecamonica, the Union of the Municipalities of the Orobie Bresciane, led by the municipality of Edolo.

A strategic alliance, aimed at investing in the training of young people, innovation and an alliance between mountains and cities to promote the sustainable development of mountain areas. The experience of UNIMONT in approaching and connecting distant contexts has allowed a prompt reaction to the lockdown, guaranteeing e-learning teaching activities to the students of the undergraduate course and specialization courses and providing a popular program of seminar activities that are always freely available to the public and are much appreciated.

7 meetings in 7 weeks provided with the virtual classroom, freely available and followed by an average of 270 participants on appointment from all over Italy.

Topics range from territorial development to ecosystem services, from natural dyes to the socio-economic aspects of the Alps and even Nepal, as well as increasingly popular events

about books, to get to know the authors who have been inspired by the unique spirit of mountain areas, always thought-provoking and often unexpected.

New events scheduled. [Discover them by reading here the full press release.](#)

3rd GRADUATION SESSION A.Y. 2018/2019 OF THE DEGREE COURSE IN CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF MOUNTAIN AREAS

A unique and original Degree session took place in April 2020. In fact, for the first time, because of the health emergency, discussions and proclamations took place entirely online, certainly not in a traditional way, but in any case with the same importance!

Six students graduated in Conservation and Sustainable Development of Mountain Areas on Tuesday 7th April 2020. You can find out who they are and the titles of their thesis in the original news - in Italian - [by clicking here!](#)

OPEN DAY 2020 - MOUNTAIN UNIVERSITY

The Open Day is an annual appointment, a day to find out more about the degree course - or courses - that intrigue you, get answers to your questions and decide whether or not to enroll!

This year the **Open Day of the Degree Course in Conservation and Sustainable Development of Mountain Areas will be held in digital form** - that is, remotely in live streaming! **The appointment is for SATURDAY 16th MAY, 2020 at 10 a.m.**

[Here you will find the link to register](#), while [the complete news item is here, in Italian.](#)

We invite you to share this important news with all your contacts who you think may be interested or who are deciding about their future at university... Thanks!

CALLS, INTERNSHIPS and JOBS



INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY: AGRICULTURE IN MOUNTAIN TERRITORY

The internship offers the opportunity to deal with alpine agriculture in the locality of Codera (850 m a.s.l.), an ancient village located in the valley of the same name and reachable only via a mule track from Novate Mezzola (SO). The undergraduate will have the opportunity to try out alpine farming practices and will also be able to influence the choice of species to be cultivated and techniques to be adopted compatibly with the project theme. The project is to be carried out in April - October 2020.

Interested students can contact Dr. Giupponi (luca.giupponi@unimi.it) or the president of the Associazione Amici della Val Codera Roberto Giardini (roberto.giardini@libero.it)

PRIZE FOR MASTER'S THESIS DEGREE - THANKS TO THE ALPINE CONVENTION

The [Alpine Convention](#) is organizing a new edition of the Young Academics Award, a thesis competition that promotes the commitment of young people in innovative research concerning the Alps.

This edition of the **Young Academics Award** of the Alpine Convention will focus on the theme "Emissions in the Alps: climate change and air quality, measurement and measures".

Eight prizes worth up to € 1,000 will be offered by the Permanent Secretariat and the French Presidency of the Alpine Convention, as well as by five of its [Infopoints](#).

DEADLINE: 30th June 2020. [More info here.](#)

NEXT EVENTS



Remember that, given the uncertain situation due to the coronavirus emergency, it is possible that public attendance at some or all of the seminars will not be allowed. **However, live streaming**, which you can follow in the safety of your home, **will be guaranteed. We invite you to consult the seminar page, the day before the seminar is due to be held, to check for any changes!**

8th MAY 2020 - HIGH ALTITUDE METEOROLOGY. FROM THE ALPS TO THE HIMALAYAS

Free seminar open to the public on 08/05 at 3.30 p.m. The seminar can be seen online, live or on demand, by [enrolling here](#).

An overview of atmospheric dynamics and meteorological phenomena typical of mountain environments, with specific insights into the peculiarities of Alps, Apennines and Himalayas.

A useful seminar for all climbers or amateur hikers.

We will talk about how to use weather forecasts in planning your excursions and how to recognize the signs of changes in the weather, starting from the observation and classification of clouds, for excursions without hitches and dangers!

12th MAY, 2020 - UNIMONT ACTIVITIES FOR THE STUDY AND ENHANCEMENT OF MOUNTAIN PLANT AGROBIODIVERSITY

Free seminar open to the public on 12/05 at 4.30 p.m. The seminar can be seen online, live or on demand, by [enrolling here](#).

The loss of plant varieties and animal breeds used in agriculture is a topic of great inter-

est both locally and on a global scale. The FAO has estimated that over 75% of local (traditional) plant varieties have been lost over the past century. Together with Luca Giupponi, Unimont researcher, topics related to the loss of plant agro-biodiversity will be discussed and some of the research that UNIMONT is carrying out for the enhancement of traditional local cultivars will be presented.

20th MAY 2020 - RACCONTA LA MONTAGNA - PRESENTATION OF THE BOOK “L’ALTRO LATO DEL PARADISO” BY ALBERTO PALEARI

Appointment on 20/05 at 6 p.m. In “L’altro lato del paradiso” the Valgrande - the largest area of wilderness in Italy, between Lake Maggiore and the Val d'Ossola - is the mirror in which Paleari finds himself. Luxuriant, hostile, feral, solitary nature which has changed over time, as shown by the infinite traces of the ancient civilization of lumberjacks and breeders that inhabited it. In the book, unknown stories, portraits of mythical local characters, the partisan war, old alpine guides, daring adventures of explorative mountaineering: chains of associations that lead the reader in a continuous, exciting flow, up to the last page. The seminar can be seen online, live or on demand, by [enrolling here](#).

29th MAY 2020 - THE BEEKEEPING CHAIN: QUALITY AND SAFETY TO PROTECT HONEY AND BY-PRODUCTS

Free seminar open to the public on 29/05 at 4.30 p.m. The seminar can be seen online, live or on demand, by [enrolling here](#).

The seminar, following a brief presentation about beehives and bee products, aims to present the state of the art on problems of environmental contaminants, pesticides, the presence of antibiotics and their effects on the quality of honey and by-products thanks to research and dedicated planning carried out both nationally and internationally.

NEW PUBLICATIONS

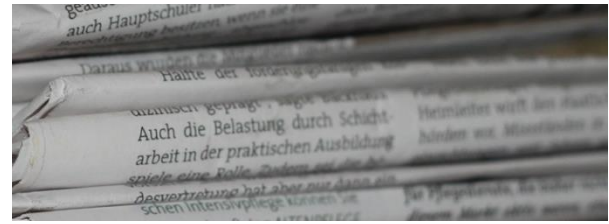


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ABOUT US



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["I piccoli frutti diventano un business"](#)

Quotidiano "Valsassina" della provincia di Lecco – 16 April 2020

["Racconta la montagna prosegue in streaming"](#)

Popolis.it – 15 April 2020

["UniMont Edolo, Marco Balzano presenta 'Resto qui'"](#)

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