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NEWS HIGHLIGHTS



SUMMER BREAK

In August the Edolo Secretariat will be open as follows: Monday to Friday from 8.30 to 12.30.

From 10th to 23rd August 2020, the Edolo Mountain University Campus will be closed.

UNIMONT 2020 UNDERGRADUATE COURSE ENROLLMENT OPENS

Enrollment is open for admission to the Undergraduate course in [Conservation and Sustainable Development of Mountain Areas \(class L-25\)](#). 75 places are available in the first year, plus 5 places reserved for non-EU students resident abroad.

If you are still in doubt about which undergraduate course to choose, we would like to remind you that you can watch the [recording of the Open Day](#) event held on May 16, in which a great deal of valuable information was provided on the Bachelor's Degree Course.

To enroll, you must take the [TOLC-AV admission test provided by CISIA](#) by 3rd September; the TOLC-AV may be taken more than once and the outcome of the last test carried out will be considered valid for selection purposes).

Applications can be submitted from 10th August until 4th September 2020. If you require further information please contact the Secretariat by telephone 0250330500 or via e-mail corso.edolo@unimi.it.

Opening hours are from Monday to Friday from 8.30 to 12.30, with summer closure from 10 to 23 August. You can find more information [about the Degree Course here](#) or [download the admission notice in italian](#).

APPROVED NEW AGREEMENT FOR SCIENTIFIC COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE GE.S.DI.MONT RESEARCH CENTER - UNIMONT, COMUNE OF EDOLO AND UNCEM LOMBARDIA.

The [UNIMONT Ge.S.Di.Mont. Research Center](#) - Centre of Excellence of the University of Milan situated in Edolo - the Municipality of Edolo and UNCEM Lombardia - National Union of Municipalities, Mountain Bodies, delegation from Lombardy - have activated an agreement for **technical-scientific collaboration**, a strategic alliance that aims to identify and implement concrete and innovative **interventions for the enhancement and development of mountain areas**. Thanks to the new agreement, the Ge.S.Di.Mont Research Center, the Municipality of Edolo and UNCEM Lombardia will have the opportunity to join forces and reach the mountain territory in a capillary way to facilitate its development through sharing, joint interventions and use of digital technologies to shorten distances and offer useful services to the territory. [Read the full press release and the statements of the contractors in Italian here.](#)

1st DEGREE SESSION OF THE A.Y. 2019/2020 OF THE DEGREE COURSE IN CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF MOUNTAIN AREAS

Five students graduated in Conservation and Sustainable Development of Mountain Areas on Monday 13th July 2020, discussing their thesis online: Jacopo Baldin; Bruno Boniotti; Livio Colosio; Raffaele De Matteis; Davide Imperiali. Our warmest congratulations and best wishes for the future to all of them. [Here you can download](#) and read their theses in Italian.

CEREALP NEW RESEARCH PROJECT FINANCED BY THE LOMBARDY REGION RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (RDP).

A new Research Project with Regional Impact by the [UNIMONT Ge.S.Di.Mont Research Center](#) has been approved. It is entitled: **"CereAlp. Good practices for the cultivation**

and processing of alpine cereals and medicinal plants”.

The CereAlp project originated from the desire to tackle three typical problems of the mountain areas of Lombardy, about which UNIMONT has gained extensive expertise over the years: the loss of knowledge relating to **traditional local crops**, the need to **protect agrobiodiversity** and the desire to **trigger new and successful agri-food chains** while at the same time **promoting youth entrepreneurship** in the mountains. The project is **financed by** the [Lombardy Region - Rural Development Program \(PSR\)](#) and is expected to start in the autumn! [Discover the project here.](#)

NEW UNIMONT PUBLICATION: HOW CAN SKI RESORTS REDUCE CARBON EMISSIONS?

The latest scientific contribution by UNIMONT is called “*How Can Ski Resorts Get Smart? Transdisciplinary Approaches to Sustainable Winter Tourism in the European Alps*” and deals with the theme of the sustainability of winter tourism in the European Alps.

The paper was produced as part of the international Interreg Alpine Space **Smart Altitude** project ([smartaltitude.eu](#)) - which aims to allow and accelerate the implementation of **low-carbon policies** in winter tourism regions - and was recently published in the scientific journal “Sustainability”.

The publication, which sees the **involvement of Prof. Anna Giorgi, Director of Ge.S.Di.Mont. Research centre - UNIMONT, University of Milan, and Dr. Stefano Sala - researcher at Ge.S.Di.Mont,** is the result of collaboration with various European research bodies such as the Austrian Academy of Sciences (ÖAW), the Swiss Municipal and Energy Research Center (CREM) and the Bruno Kessler Foundation (FBK). [Find out more and read the publication here.](#)

EUROPEAN PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON THE ACTION PLAN FOR DIGITAL EDUCATION OPENS.

All citizens and interested organizations are invited to participate in the public consulta-

tion launched by the European Union relating to the Action Plan for digital education. The consultation is aimed in particular at students, teachers, educators, educational staff, parents/guardians/family members of students, as well as representatives of education and training institutions. Governmental and non-governmental organizations (international, European, national, regional and local) as well as representatives from the public sector and industry are also encouraged to respond.

The consultation will help the European Commission to update its digital education action plan - made even more necessary today following the COVID-19 pandemic, which also led to the closure of all school buildings, - and to work further to promote inclusive and high-quality education and training in the digital age. **Consultation deadline: 04 September 2020.** [Find out more and take part in the consultation.](#)

CALLS, INTERNSHIPS and JOBS



NOTICE OF COMPETITION FOR A TYPE B YEAR-LONG RESEARCH GRANT AT UNIMONT

The [Ge.S.Di.Mont. Research Centre](#) - Department of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences of the University of Milan has established a TYPE B RESEARCH GRANT lasting one year, which will take place at the Mountain University - Centre of Excellence of the University of Milan situated in Edolo as part of the research project entitled: [“Buone pratiche per la coltivazione e la trasformazione di cereali alpini e piante officinali - Progetto PSR operazione 1.2.01”](#).

DEADLINE: 07/09/2020. [All info on responsibilities and on submitting applications are available in italian here.](#)

CALLS FOR MOUNTAIN AREAS - FIND THEM AND TELL US ABOUT THEM!

The [Ge.S.Di.Mont. Research Center UNIMONT](#) constantly monitors regional, national and international calls regarding the development and enhancement of activities in mountain areas, also aimed at businesses and public entities. The calls are published in the "Calls for mountain areas" section of our website. **To consult the regional and national calls relating to Italy, we advise you to consult [the page in Italian](#), so as not to miss any report!** You can also report and request the publication of a new Call by sending an email to unimont@unimi.it, with the subject "Report a Call for Mountain areas", inserting the details of the call or the link to the official publication. [Find out more.](#)

NATIONAL CALL APPROVED FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF SILVO-PASTORAL AREAS.

The Call of the Ministry of Agricultural, Food and Forestry Policies "Project proposals for the establishment of associations or consortia for the management of forestry and pastoral areas" (Ministerial Decree 13329 of 22/04/2020), part of the Development and Cohesion Fund 2014-2020 - Operational Plan for Agriculture - Sub-plan 3, has been approved.

As indicated by the title itself, Sub-plan 3 aims **to stimulate the creation of new associations or consortia** for the management of forestry and pastoral areas, thus **contrasting the division of property in mountain areas and to improve the active management of the territory, while enhancing local production, environmental and social vocations and supporting the development of a business network.**

The Call is aimed at the **whole of Italy** and provides for funding worth € 4,898,562.93.

DEADLINE: 13th December 2020. [All the info on the call and how to participate are available in italian here.](#)

FABIO FAVARETTO PRIZE - FOR MASTER DEGREE THESIS

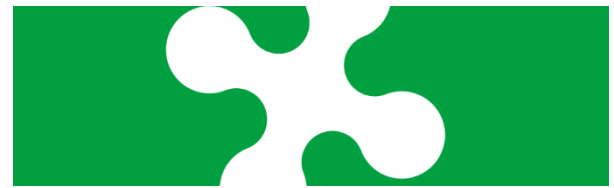
The Call for the "Fabio Favaretto Prize" is open. It is dedicated to master's degree the-

ses that have addressed issues related to the use and protection of mountain areas. **2 study prizes** are available, for a total value of **€2000**. New graduates who **discussed their thesis between 1st January 2019 and 31st July 2020** in a University in Italy can participate.

The award was established 3 years ago by the Italian Alpine Club Mestre Section in memory of the member of the same name who died tragically in 2011, with the collaboration and contribution of the Italian Alpine Club Veneto Section and the Central Commission for the Protection of the Mountain Environment.

DEADLINE: 31st August, 2020. [More details on the award and how to apply are available in italian here.](#)

IMPLEMENTATION AGREEMENT



Agreement between the Lombardy region and CRC Ge.S.diMont. for the enhancement of mountain areas: analysis of strategies and good practices, identification of effective and replicable methodological approaches and tools in the current national and international scenario in evolution - challenges and opportunities.

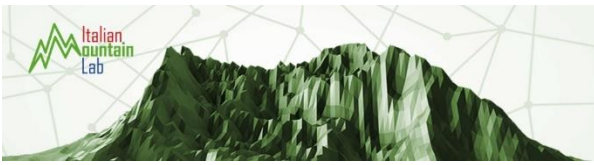
The implementation agreement is aimed at carrying out initiatives in support of policies for the development and enhancement of the mountain territory defined by the Lombardy Region in the current Regional Development Program. For more information [click here.](#)

UNIMONT REPORT FROM LOMBARDY REGION: MOUNTAIN DAY: Sertori: Territories at high altitude are at the centre of regional policies. Lombardy has invested over 70 million for their development.

(Milan, 4 July) "For this Regional government, the development of the 'mountain'

theme is one of the cornerstones. The institution of a day dedicated to the splendid peaks and the fascinating and industrious Lombard plateaus is yet another confirmation. This is a necessary sign of our attention towards culture, traditions, identity and accommodation capacities of areas that account for 45% of our territory". Thus, Massimo Sertori, Regional Councillor for the Mountains, on the eve of the first edition of the 'Regional day for the Lombardy mountains'. [Find out more about the report by consulting the full news in italian here.](#)

ITALIAN MOUNTAIN LAB



The Italian Mountain Lab project - FISR project, special supplementary research MIUR fund, headed by UNIMONT-University of Milan in partnership with the University of Eastern Piedmont and the University of Tuscia, aims to establish a high level training and research laboratory for the Italian mountains.

3RD ITALIAN MOUNTAIN LAB SEMINARS FINISH.

As part of the Italian Mountain Lab (IML) Project - Unimont guarantees the delivery of seminars in campus and via streaming, and the opportunity to see them on demand, at any time.

The third series of seminars which ended in July (A.Y. 2019/2020), included 22 meetings, organized to talk about issues such as: the environment, economics, literature, public administration, agriculture, mountaineering.

Thanks to the seminars, the objectives of technology transfer, training and support are pursued; moreover, they are a **fundamental part of the advanced training and research laboratory to safeguard Italian mountains,**

which is the basis of the objectives of the IML project. [Find out more here.](#)

THE THIRD EDITION OF "RACCONTA LA MONTAGNA" HAS NOW ENDED - UNTIL NEXT TIME!

"racCONTA LA MONTAGNA", (a.y. 2019-2020), the UNIMONT literary review dedicated to non-fiction and fiction that highlights the cultural and evocative power of the mountains, took place for the third consecutive year during the 2019-2020 academic year.

Nine appointments to present and explore 8 books through an afternoon meeting at UNIMONT, an opportunity to establish a dialogue between the author, students and participants, both in presence and remotely through the virtual classroom.

The third edition began as usual for the first three meetings, and then, due to the COVID-19 emergency, the necessary changes were made by presenting the books as scheduled but with safety precautions. [Read more here.](#)

NEW PUBLICATIONS



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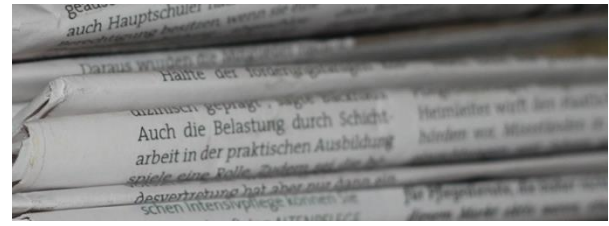
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