

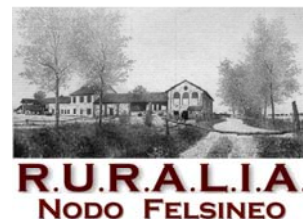
Rural landscapes

Towards a better integration of rural development policies, urban and landscape planning

The aim of the seminar is to promote a debate on the current state of the research perspectives for rural and peri-urban landscapes. Particular reference will be given to the various contributions and knowledges that, with a transdisciplinary point of view, confront this theme by challenging themselves to integrate spatial, urban and landscape planning with the guidelines of the agricultural and rural development policies.

The theme of landscape, whose importance is ratified in the Italian Constitution, is inherently multifaceted. It is a theme that has increasing importance and actuality and requires an integrated multicultural approach, as recognised by the innovative contents – even on the cultural level- of the European Landscape Convention, as well as by the evolution of the legislative framework and the various sectoral policies. One only needs to think of the landscape planning promoted by the Codice dei Beni Culturali e del Paesaggio (Italian Cultural Heritage and Landscape Code), and the role of landscape as strategic objective in the Piano Nazionale di Sviluppo Rurale (National Rural Development Plan) 2007/2013 (PSN) and in agricultural policies 2014-2020. The pursuit of these objectives with coherent and effective actions requires the support of experts specifically trained and the multi and trans-disciplinary collaboration of experts from various sectors, as well as between the worlds of research, education and public authorities and professionals. Any action able to modify the quality of landscape contributes in fact in an essential way to economic development and to the improvement of the quality of the environment and life of the population. The most recent agricultural policies have stressed clearly how important it is that landscape becomes a paradigm of reference in various actions of planning, designing and managing the rural areas, also in relation to the increasing awareness of the social and economic value that a synergistic union between agricultural production and territorial resources has, as well as the potential worthiness of the agricultural sector on the social and environmental level for urban spaces. The speeches will give space to an exchange of significant experiences matured up to now and points of view, disciplinary and institutionally different but complementary, with the aim to delineate virtuous paths for the development of opportunities and potentialities for the integration process between planning and programming, as well as resolving the relative critical aspects in function of the different institutional frameworks of reference. For this purpose academic, institutional and professional representatives of the Italian and European context will participate to the sessions and to the debate with the aim to support a comparative perspective.

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Programme

9:00-9:30 Registration

9:30-9:45 Welcome address by **Anna Marson**, Minister for Spatial Planning and Territory, Tuscany Region

9:45-10:00 Presentation of the Second Careggi Seminar – **Carlo Magnani**, President of UNISCAPE

10:00-10:30 *Planning the rural landscape: state of the art and future challenges* - **Mauro Agnoletti, Andrea Galli, Patrizia Tassinari**

10:30-12:30 Invited speakers

Conference Chair: **Mauro Agnoletti**

Giorgio Conti, Università "Ca' Foscari" Venezia

Andrea Sisti, Presidente Ordine Dottori agronomi e forestali

Elżbieta Raszeja, Poznań University of Life Sciences, Faculty of Horticulture, Department of Landscape Architecture

Alexandra Kruse, EUCALAND Network, Bureau for Landscape & Services

12:30-13:30 Lunch break

13:30-14:30 Afternoon session

Conference chair: **Annalisa Calcagno Maniglio**

Roberto Gabrielli, Head of Urban planning, landscape and sustainable land use Sector, Emilia-Romagna Region

Paolo Baldeschi, Scientific Research Coordinator for the development of the Landscape Plan of the Tuscany Region

14:30-15:30 Debate on the basis of the morning contributions

15:30-17:00 Oral presentations by PhD students (call for papers)

17:00 Closure of the seminar

17:00-18:30 Round table of PHD students and researchers – follow up activities of the working group on new methodologies and perspectives for landscape protection, management and planning.

Languages of the seminar will be Italian and English.

Registration:

Kindly send an e-mail to info@uniscape.eu within **Thursday 12nd of April** with name, last name, institution and/or profession (please specify if you are interested to participate to the Round table).

Oral presentations – Call for papers

Deadline: March, 25th, 2012

PhD and PhD students are invited to submit short papers (scholarly research and informed commentaries) on studies, experiences, and good practices, in the field of sustainable landscape planning, design and management. The scientific committee welcomes contributions from PhD and PhD students across the various scientific fields and interdisciplinary researches, and encourages submission of both scholarly papers and more speculative pieces and viewpoint articles designed to further understanding and debate.

Workshop specific topics include (but are not limited to) the following:

- Landscape integration of structures and infrastructures
- Study and enhancement of traditional rural landscapes
- Rural development policies and urban planning: an unresolved matter
- Integration of landscape quality policies into municipal and super-municipal structural plans and town-planning
- Relations between city and countryside: critical points and potentials (agricultural production, environmental functions, etc.)
- Integration of renewable energy sources into everyday and high quality landscapes.
- Rural landscape and nature conservation

Authors of selected papers will be invited to present their work during the afternoon session and their papers will be published in the second issue of the *Quaderni di Careggi* with the contributions of all speakers of the seminar.

Deadline for the submission of the extended abstract (max 2000 words): March 25th, 2012.

Kindly send abstracts to: info@uniscape.eu

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