



Frontone (PU)

RESEARCH CENTRE FOR THE MEDITERREANEAN FOREST AND APENNINE MOUNTAINS



Our Mission





Medit Silva was constituted in 1997, as an Association. On 30/12/2009 it became a Foundation.

The main aims are:

- To create a Mediterreanean Forest Observatory;
- To promote and manage research and studies related to the Apennine Mountains and the Mediterranean Forest area;
- To promote and carry out seminars, workshops, courses for students, teachers and all people interested in environmental issues;
- To plan and coordinate initiatives for environmental education;
- To participate in the implementation of EU projects;
- To develop and manage initiatives concerning Community Properties and Common Land;
- To promote and manage training courses and study sessions for students, post-graduated and unemployed people.



Who we are





Our members:

- National Consortium for the valorization of the Forest resources and Products – Frontone (PU);
- Universitas Homines of Frontone (Community of indigenous people) – Frontone (PU).
- Municipality of Frontone Frontone (PU);
- Public Administration of Pesaro-Urbino Province Pesaro (PU);
- Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture of Pesaro and Urbino – Pesaro (PU);
- Catria and Nerone Mountain Community

 Cagli (PU);
- 3 private companies: S.E.R. (involved in the sector of alternatives energy) Pergola (PU), Alto Cesano (consortium for the agricultural sector) Pergola (PU) and A.E.F.A. (European Agency for Forest and the Environment specialized in support and services for project activities) Frontone (PU);









ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTRE



Environmental Education Centre







"Memory and Environment" project

- A.S. 2003/2004 First knowledge of the territory;
- A.S. 2004/2005 Improved interest about the environment;
- A.S. 2005/2006 Two short films titled: "Caro Ranco" (Ranco is the part of land to be used by native families for wood collection, breeding and so on) and "The Laundry and the wisdom of the oven"
- A.S. 2006/2007 Short film: "Once upon a time...the surprised life of children, types of...cheese, the weaves, and the sung life";
- A.S. 2007/2008 "Caro Ranco" became a book and was published;
- A.S. 2008/2009 Two books titled: "The waste; from the past to today" and "The influence of the moon on human life":
- A.S. 2009/2010 Two books titled: "The heritage of sprevengoli: these annoying and benefic goblins accompaning people's lives" and "The evolution of energy resources from the past to today";
- A.S. 2010/2011 Topics: sustainable mobility and biodiversity.
- A.S. 2011/2012 One book about "our landscape"







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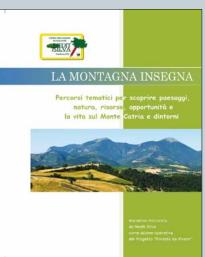
Environmental Education Centre











Our books



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Other activities as CEA:

- •Guided visits to biomass poer station;
- Excursions in the mountain;
- •Meetings, seminars and workshops;
- Any kind of informationa and consultancy

activities for students

















The Italian Background REGIONE MARCHE





The social and economic situation of the rural areas in Italy	
Advantages	Weaknesses
1. Typical local production chains	1. Aging of population
2. High value agricultural production	2. Damages to the environment and landscape
3. Young population	due to abandonment and intensive
4. Intermediate rural areas	agricultural activities
5. Multi-functionality of agriculture	3. Depopulation and low density
6. Landscape, historical, natural and cultural	4. Low productivity of land
resources	5. Decreasing of agricultural activities
7. High self-employment above the National	6. High level of unemployment
average	7. Lack of infrastructures
8. Great amount of high quality agricultural	8. Lack of services for companies and
products	population
	9. Change of the traditional landscape
	10. Digital divide



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The social and economic situation of the rural areas in Italy	
Opportunities	Threats
1. Financial funds available within the cohesion policy	1. European Agricultural Policy and Common Market Organization
2. Great importance of the landscape for tourism development and typical productions	2. Competition for agricultural products on International markets (EU, Mediterranean and extra UE countries,)
3. National Program for broadband access	 3. Possible reduction of financial funds available within the cohesion policy 4. Lack of development processes and ICT services



Institutions Involved in Education





• OIGA – Observatory For Young Farmers

• COLDIRETTI (through INIPA, a training institution in the agro-food field)



Financial opportunities REGIONE MARCHE





- ESF European Social Fund
- ERDF European Regional Development

Funds

• RDP – Rural Development Plan







TOPICS:

- The farm and the forest company: economic and financial management and information and communication systems
- Business management and e-communication
- Development of competences for new beginning farmers supporting the generation change and competitivity
- Farm management
- Information and communication technologies (ICT)
- Eco-friendly agricultural techniques
- Certified quality productions
- Farm and market
- Certification systems
- Organic productions techniques
- Rural landscape valorization and preservation
- Agri-environment agreements
- Products trackability







"Technicians and managers involved in the management of forest associations/consortia"

- 1 session: From October 2007 to January 2008 + stage in forestry consortia
- Beneficiaries: agronomists and people with a forestry degree Unemployed
- **Topics:** legislation, administration, management and accountancy aspects useful to become a technician and/or a manager of forestry associations/consortia, forest production quality (certification), forestry policy within the rural development plan, activities carried out by forestry associations, sustainable management of natural resources and management of common properties.









"Associated Forest Management: practical examples and new employment opportunities for the revival of mountain economy"

- **2 sessions:** From 16th to 19th May 2011 and from 27th to 30th June 2011
- Beneficiaries: agronomists and people with a forestry degree
- **Topics:** Common Agricultural Policy: new opportunities for forestry sector, legislation and management models within Common Properties, sustainable forest management, new economic and employment opportunities in the mountain areas and in the forest sector and forest planning, new markets at European level for the forest sector and Kyoto protocol.







"Manager for touristic and sport promotion and improvement of mountain areas"

- **1 sessions:** From February 2013 to June 2013
- Beneficiaries: agronomists and people with a forestry degree Unemployed
- **Topics:** plants and wildlife of mountain areas, sustainable development (renewable resources, biodiversity, water cycle, environmental improvement and protection concerning Sites of Community Interest and Special Protection Areas (SIC & ZPS), administration and accountancy, touristic and sport management, prevention and safety, ICT and events management.



Our students











Our offices









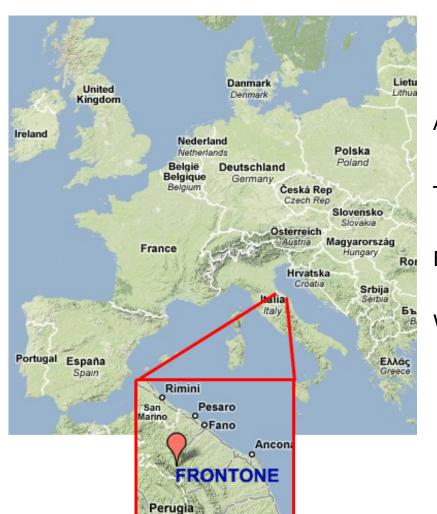




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Our Mountain – M. Catria 1702 m. on the sea level





