



**Politecnico di Milano**  
**School of Architecture and Society**  
**Territorial Campus of Piacenza**

Workshop

## **The design of open spaces between Piacenza and the Trebbia Valley**

**Teachers proposing:** Paola Pucci, Marco Mareggi

**Period:** from June 25 to June 30, 2012

**Scheduled hours:** 25 h

### **Content**

The aim of the workshop is to propose a master plan for re-organizing the open spaces in the Trebbia Valley district, an historic corridor between Piacenza and the Liguria Region. Particular attention will be paid to environmental issues and open spaces, in order to reach high levels of livability and integration among the urban requirements and the distinctive traits of this valley.

Trebbia Valley is a project-area for which the environmental protection, conservation and recovery of settlement patterns combine with widespread settlement processes. The stratification of urban events, materials and diverse practices like abandonment, have given gradual rise to sustainable tourism opportunities - makes the Trebbia Valley an interesting case-study in terms of issues and topics related to urban design: from the interpretation of the territorial transformations and space-temporal practices, to an open spaces project.

About the theme of the open spaces, the workshop includes three main sections:

- The design of open spaces between historical heritages and new infrastructure along the river, in the lower and middle valley;
- the enhancement of the banks and river flood zones in relation to pre-existing natural, historical and rural culture of the valley;
- The design of open spaces, public and private, between the river and the historic centers.





## Organization

The organization of the workshop includes:

- an introductory seminar on the theme of the design of open spaces in a valley area;
- some lectures oriented on the main specific issues (as local planning tools, landscape, agriculture, urban history of the Trebbia valley) and on design cases;
- site survey managed by tutors and guided visits;
- workshop activities with tutoring;
- meetings with public administrations and local actors;
- a public presentation on the final outcomes of the workshop, which will also be attended by local government officials, scholars and teachers.

The participation is open to the students of the Faculty of Architecture of Politecnico di Milano and to Italian and foreign students of Architecture, Planning, Urban Planning and Geography.

The workshop will be conducted in workgroups, taking care to integrate foreign with Italian students, and under the supervision of tutors.

The analytical and cartographic materials, useful for the workshop, will be provided by the organization.

A midterm and a final revision of the outcomes are expected with a committee of teachers and administrators.

The workshop will issue to each student an official **certificate of participation** and will admit to the students of the Politecnico di Milano **4 cfu** (formal university credits). For the other schools the reorganization of the credits is related to the regulations of each didactical secretary.

Within **May 24th 2012**, registration form with curriculum vitae (maximum 2 pages in A4 format) should be sent via e-mail to [workshop.valtrebbia@gmail.com](mailto:workshop.valtrebbia@gmail.com)

The workshop is reserved to a maximum number of 50 participants.

If the number of students will be over 50, there will be a selection based on the curricula.

Within June 10<sup>th</sup> 2012, all the selected students will be notified via email.

The official language of the school of the International workshop is English.

Upon the request of the participants, the organization of the Workshop will take care of booking accommodation with agreed establishment.

The workshop is free.

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