

WETNET PROJECT
Coordinated management and networking of Mediterranean wetlands

WP 2 - Communication

Activity 2.7 – Participating in External Event

Project Partner: Veneto Region (Vr)

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UrbanPromo Green

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1. EVENT DETAILS

Title: UrbanPromo Green - promoted by INU - National Institute of Urban Planning

Type: Panel entitled “The river and landscape contracts of the Po river: a review”, presenting WetNet experience.

Date: September 20th 2018

Location: Venezia, Veneto Region, Italy

Programme: "The river contract is a governance tool participated by communities, which can help in formulating plans and projects for the sustainable development of the river territory. The conference discusses how the contract in its various forms (of river, of wetlands, landscapes, etc.) can contribute to defining scenarios of enhancement of the territory, to empower actors and support the effectiveness of the processes.

Audience: The audience was mainly composed of students, academics, urban planners, public bodies’ officials and people interested in River Contracts.

WetNet participation: Vr representatives: Claudio Perin - Financial Manager (speaker); Franco Alberti – Project Coordinator (audience); Andrea Ballin – Project Staff member (audience)

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE EVENT

UrbanPromo, promoted by the INU - National Institute of Urban Planning, is a relevant cultural event on the theme of urban regeneration, understood as a process of strategies, policies, actions, aimed at the realization of sustainable urban development. The panel in which the WetNet speaker was involved discussed on the relationship between cities and water, or water as a paradigm of life, work and economic development. The section takes up and develops themes such as the role of the Po river in the landscape and the economy of the Po valley. In this framework, particular attention is devoted to the development of the River Contracts. The panel also addresses the issue of water as a scarce resource not always easy to find and make available, a problem that is becoming important in some Italian urban areas.

3. RELEVANCE FOR THE WETNET PROJECT AND THE MED TERRITORY

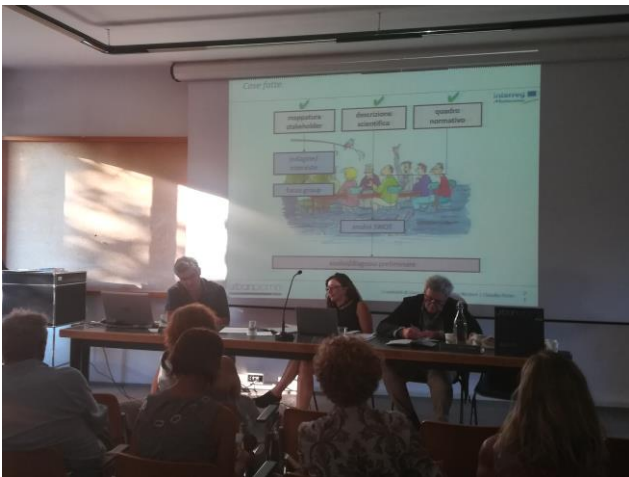
UrbanPromo was a relevant National event for urban planners and academics, and a discussion forum in which to compare the different approaches to River Contracts . The public agreements or covenants on water have demonstrated to be very useful participatory tools to promote the involvement of the local communities in making decisions on river

basins management. EU directives highlight the importance of participatory governance to achieve the objectives of quality of water and reduction of risk from flooding, through a general policy. However, any Italian region generally develops its own approach, and for this reason National coordination table was recently established. Sharing knowledge, best practices, technologies, is a crucial aspect in enhancing the governance of rivers basins across Italy. The Vr representative presented the Wetnet project on the eve of the first Technical Committee of the Caorle Lagoon System Wetland Contract, and listened carefully to the arguments and the advice proposed by the representatives of other similar initiatives in Italy.

4. CONCLUDING REMARKS

The Panel on River Contracts in which the Vr representative was in was presented by the coordinator of the National Table of river contracts - Massimo Bastiani. The morning session of the event was devoted to ecosystem services (a crucial theme for wetlands and for our Contract) and in the opening discussion participated both Giancarlo Gusmaroli of CIRF and Franco Alberti of Veneto Region Territorial Planning Department.

5. PHOTO GALLERY



APPENDIX 1 - Event Programme (excerpt)

Giovedì 20 settembre
Aula C1

ingresso 14.00
inizio lavori 14.15
fine lavori 18.30

I CONTRATTI DI FIUME E DI PAESAGGIO DEL PO: UN BILANCIO

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"Il contratto di fiume è uno strumento di governance partecipato dalla comunità, che può aiutare nella formulazione di piani e progetti per lo sviluppo sostenibile del territorio fluviale [...]"

[...] Il contratto può essere usato nella prima fase del processo di pianificazione per stimolare la discussione. Infatti può aiutare a definire scenari territoriali e orientare progetti di paesaggio dalla scala vasta a quella locale" [Roberta Ingaramo, Angioletta Voghera (eds.) Topics and Methods for Urban and Landscape Design, Springer, 2016].

Il convegno discute come il contratto nelle sue varie forme (di fiume, di zone umide, di paesaggio, ecc.) possa contribuire a definire scenari di valorizzazione del territorio, a responsabilizzare gli attori e supportare l'efficacia dei processi.

PROGRAMMA

Presentazione:
Mario Piccinini, INU - URBIT

Coordina:
Angioletta Voghera, Politecnico di Torino, Presidente Community INU
Paesaggio e Biodiversità

Introducono:
"I contratti di fiume in Italia"
Massimo Bastiani, Coordinatore del Tavolo Nazionale dei Contratti di fiume

"Luci ed ombre dei Contratti di fiume"
Alessandro Ali, Architetto-Urbanista

"Il fiume dalle sorgenti alla grande pianura: dieci anni di Contratti nell'alto bacino del Po"
Paolo Mancin e Floriana Clemente, Regione Piemonte

"Contratto di fiume della Media valle del Po: il ruolo degli enti locali"
Mara Pesaro, ANCI, Comune di Cremona

"Contratto di Foce Delta del Po"
Giancarlo Mantovani, Consorzio di Bonifica del Po

"I contratti di zona umida: il progetto Wetnet"
Claudio Perin, Regione Veneto

"Paesaggi produttivi del delta"
Stefano Tornieri, Università Iuav di Venezia

Dibattito

Conclusioni:
Meuccio Berselli, Segretario Generale Autorità di Bacino distrettuale del Po

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