

**En-Route International Seminar**  
University of Naples Federico II



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**Call for papers**

The Seminar aims to investigate the issue of the re-appropriation and the recovery of river landscapes, often compromised and degraded as a result of human or natural changes, starting from the case of the Campania region, which sets out as a laboratory where it is possible to test the combination of appropriate methods and technics to actively plan river landscapes. In this framework, adopting a landscape restoration approach might suggest useful hints to return landscapes to their natural conditions, counting on resilience, if specific conditions of sites make it possible. At the same time, the conference highlights the importance of enhancing local communities' resources in order to reinterpret and redefine landscapes.

*Scientific coordinators:* Francesco Domenico MOCCIA and Elvira PETRONCELLI

**Tracks**

a. Conservation and transformations of dynamic landscapes

Coordinators: Bianca Gioia MARINO and Rossana VALENTI

The river is probably the natural element mostly submitted to the human transforming action that can alter its features, the surrounding historical and natural landscapes and the urban image. The indications of government actions must take account of an integrated perspective of several disciplinary issues, that connote its landscape. The session aims to connect issues relating to the 'identities' of the river landscapes and to the interpretative mechanisms through which we recognize decay, needs and potentialities, considering aesthetic and historical values of river places, by identifying the issues about the historical and archaeological heritage, the geo-natural features, the historic landscapes, urban and not.

b. Resilient spaces of river fruition

Coordinators: Vito CAPPIELLO and Marialuce STANGANELLI

In some researches or works, river landscapes are considered as the result of a "design by nature" approach or co-working with nature for the restoration of damaged landscapes. We focus on the natural functioning of river corridors, their adaptation to natural processes and the attention to their vitality. In contrast with the artificiality connected with hard engineering methods treating river landscapes' problems, this track aims to collect contributions on developments based on ecological infrastructure and on a fertile, mixed and functional dimension of landscape, which define healthy and vital places, in a perspective of "evolutionary resilience".

c. Geographical approaches and visual and interactive strategies for river landscapes

Coordinators: Pierpaolo D'AGOSTINO and Barbara DELLE DONNE

Most of rivers decay situations could be today analyzed through the development of ICT logic, the positive spread of instruments able to provide exchange about information and knowledge. They allow interaction among users that have the common goal to protect and maintain the best environmental conditions and landscape. On the other hand, there is also the increasing achievement of strategies aimed at the digital representation of the whole environment. Therefore, it should be noted that the investigation about the heritage landscapes, especially if related to water, cannot ignore the ability of synthesis offered by the sciences related to the representation, also updating its intellectual framework and tools.

d. Water and land in the landscape project

Coordinators: Dora FRANCESE and Francesco VIOLA

Researches in different scales, faced from a technological or architectural point of view, about the relationship between rivers and the cultural involvement of populations, allow the understanding of the processes of landscape transformations and the economical and human relationships due to the different uses of water. Topics for the session could be river basins, their transformations and their relationship with landscape resources and the production chains, the connections between water spaces and the infrastructures, in order to transfer pure and clean water to towns and villages, and, in a larger scale, the sustainable transformations of the water landscape concerning relations between the configuration of the territory, the production systems and populations behaviour.

## Poster

Poster information will be subsequently available.

## Abstract

The abstract, written in English, cannot exceed 3.000 characters and must be sent to the address:

**infouniscape@unina.it**

The abstract must include: the title and the selected track, the author, his/her institutional role; 3 keywords, 5 references.

## The structure of the Seminar

It is divided into two parts, intertwining in three study days:

- paper presentations, in which to discuss international interesting cases;
- *in situ* activities, in which to get in touch with territories (places and relevant actors) and to exchange ideas and experiences.

Seminar activities will be structured according to the main branches of the UNISCAPE network: didactics, researches, landscape projects, landscape observatories.

The official language of the Seminar is English (no translation facilities provided).

Two design workshops will be organized, in which to creatively interact starting from the observation of concrete cases: the Sarno plain; the Irno valley.

A field trip will be arranged, investigating places at different levels, from landscapes' understanding to iconography and literature inspirations, to questions regarding the recovery of river landscapes, to the solutions carried out so far.

During the focused visit it will be possible to discuss with the involved actors, to examine convergent urban policies and their effects on landscapes, to immerse in values of local culture, to suggest projects of landscape re-appropriation from which to learn, to collectively work in order to interpret river landscapes and propose design solutions.

Groups of participants will produce design concepts on the future of the sites that will be reported in the final session of the conference.

The registration at *UNISCAPE en-route* conference allows to receive a dropbox link to share useful materials in order to deepen knowledge on the selected sites.

## Preliminary program

Monday September 28 (seminar activities)

09.00 Registration

09.30 - 10.20 Greetings and official opening

10.20 - 11.00 Keynote speaker 1 (Juan Manuel Palerm)

11.00 - 11.40 Keynote speaker 2 (Carlos Llop)

11.40 - 12.20 Keynote speaker 3 (Eduardo Costa Pinto)

12.20 - 13.00 discussion

*lunch*

14.30 - 16.15 track a

16.15 - 18.00 track b

18.00 - 19.00 workshop presentation

Tuesday September 29 (workshops)

All the day will be devoted to the workshops (Sarno plain/Irno valley). The transfer by bus from Naples will be provided.

Wednesday September 30 (seminar activities)

09.00 - 10.45 track c

10.45 - 12.30 track d

12.30 -13.10 Keynote speaker 4 (Jordi Bellmunt)

*lunch*

14.30 - 16.30 workshop report: critical issues

16.30 - 18.00 round table and conclusions

## Deadlines and organization

Abstracts have to be submitted by **June 15, 2015**.

The notification of acceptance will be sent to the authors by July 4, **2015**.

The authors of the accepted contributions must submit the paper by **September 15, 2015**. Some authors might be invited to prepare a poster for the exhibition.

Seminar activities will be held at Federico II University of Naples.

Institutional partners: Park of the hydrographic basin of the Sarno river, National Park of the Vesuvius, Municipality of Poggiomarino, Municipality of Baronissi.

Accommodation: hotels in Naples (a selection of convenient hotels will be provided)

Conference Proceedings will be published in: *UNISCAPE En-Route: I Quaderni*, that is part of *I Quaderni di Careggi* (ISSN 2281-3195).

### Registration

The registration to the Seminar is open from June 1, **2015**.

Registration fee: € 200 (€ 150 before July, 11)

Reduced registration fee: € 80 for students, PhD students, post-doc researchers (€ 60 before July, 11).

To complete the registration, it is necessary to select one of the two workshops (the Sarno plain; the Irno valley).

Registration fees must be paid by bank transfer.

### Bank information

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