







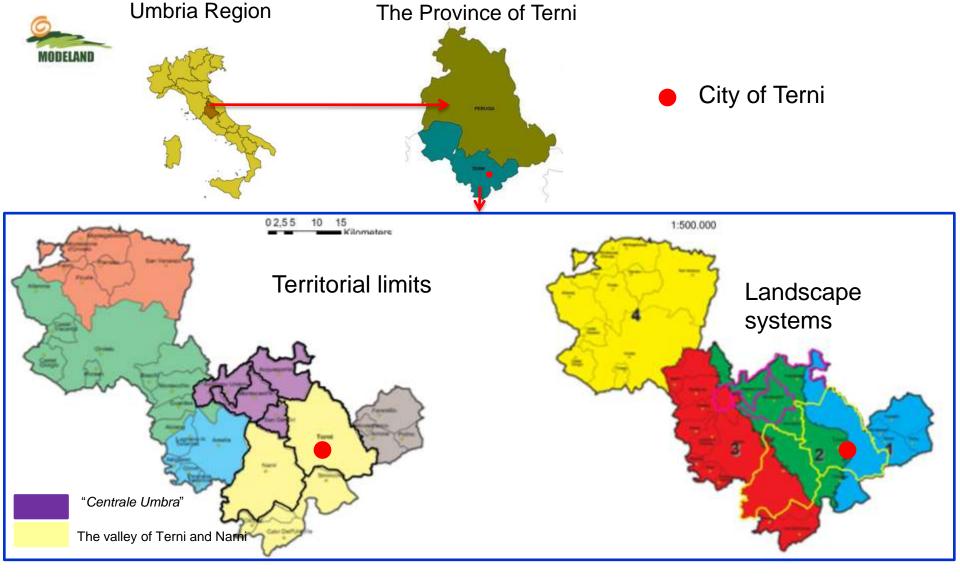
Landscape studies

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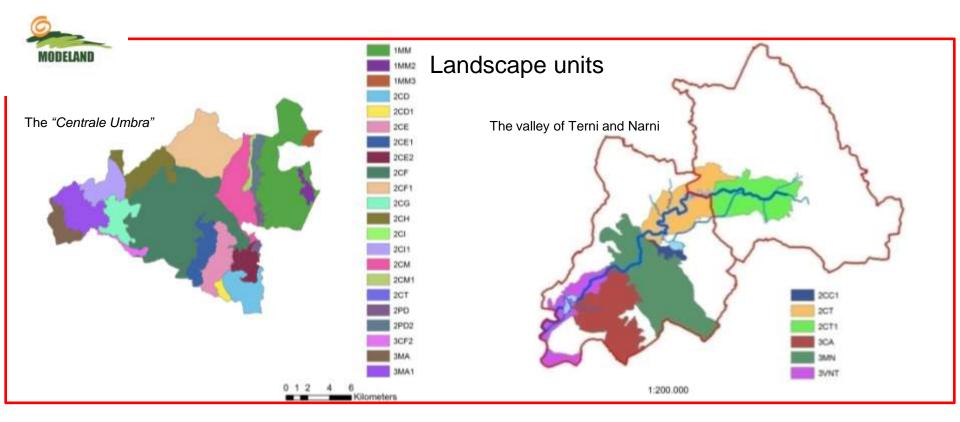


The delimitation of the investigation area:

- is based on PTCP (Territorial Plan of Provincial coordination) maps and considerations
- passes through the examination of different landscape scales
- begins by analysing the administrative limits and ends with the individuation of landscape units



- •We have decided to focus on two different territorial limits: the "Centrale Umbra" and the Terni and Narni valley; in relation to the second case, we have analysed only two municipalities: Terni and Narni.
- •The two territorial limits involve three different landscape systems



- •In relation to the "Centrale Umbra", we have considered all the different landscape units which are included in PTCP, whereas, in regard to the valley of Terni and Narni, we have considered just the landscape units in contact with the Nera river.
- •The two territorial limits are really different: the valley described above is interested by a river landscape rich in industries and with an high concentration of constructions/buildings; the "Centrale Umbra" is a typical rural area.



How did we obtain the different landscape units?

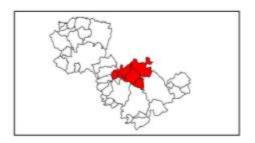
A case of study: the territorial limit of the 'Centrale Umbra'





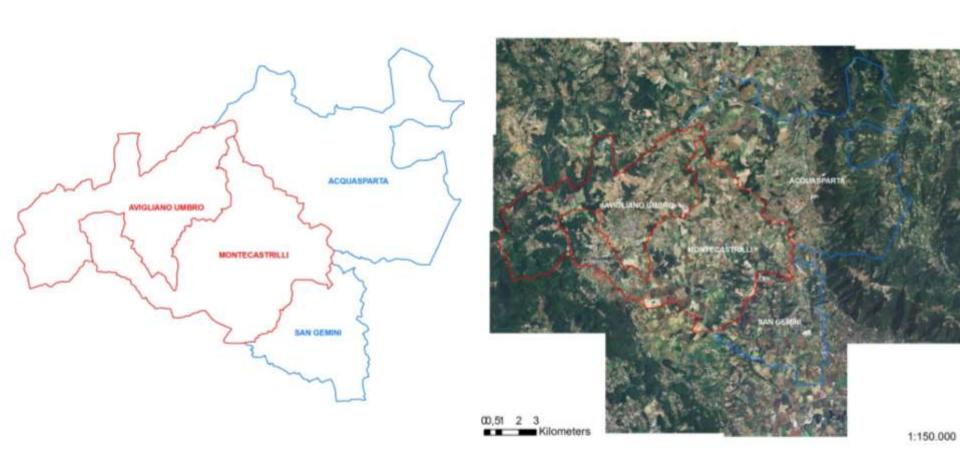
The territorial limit of the "Centrale Umbra" involves 4 municipalities

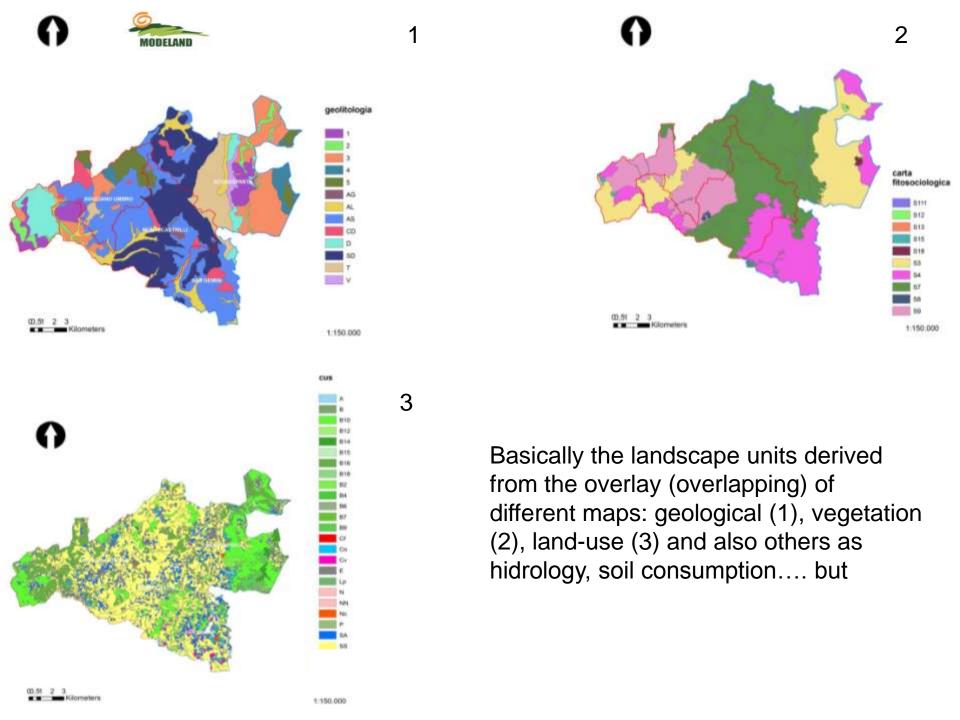


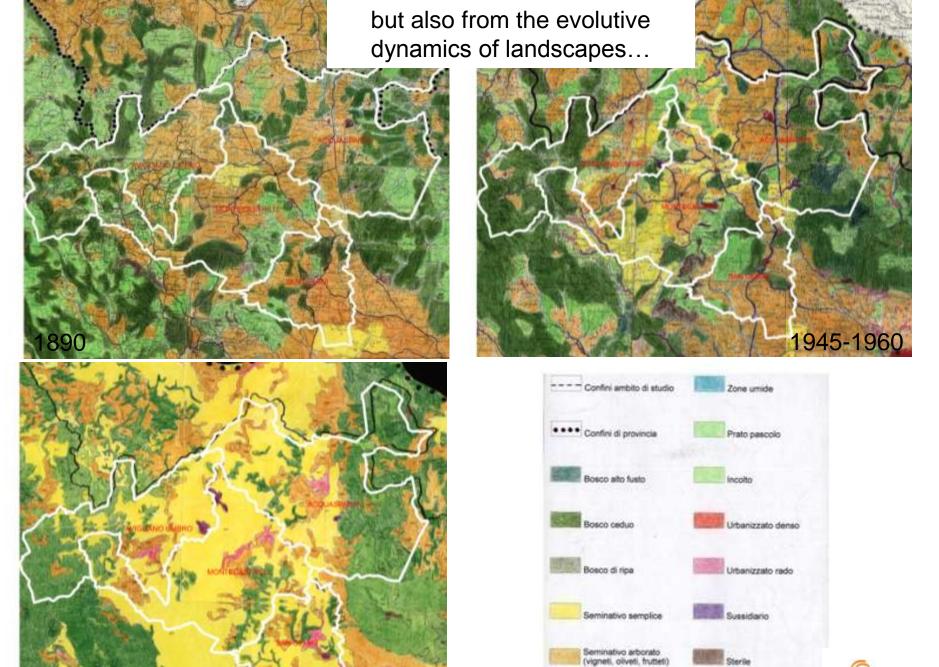




We have divided this territorial ambit (limit) in two different parts.
In relation to each one of them, we have organized a group of study and a critical mass which has involved different types of stakeholders





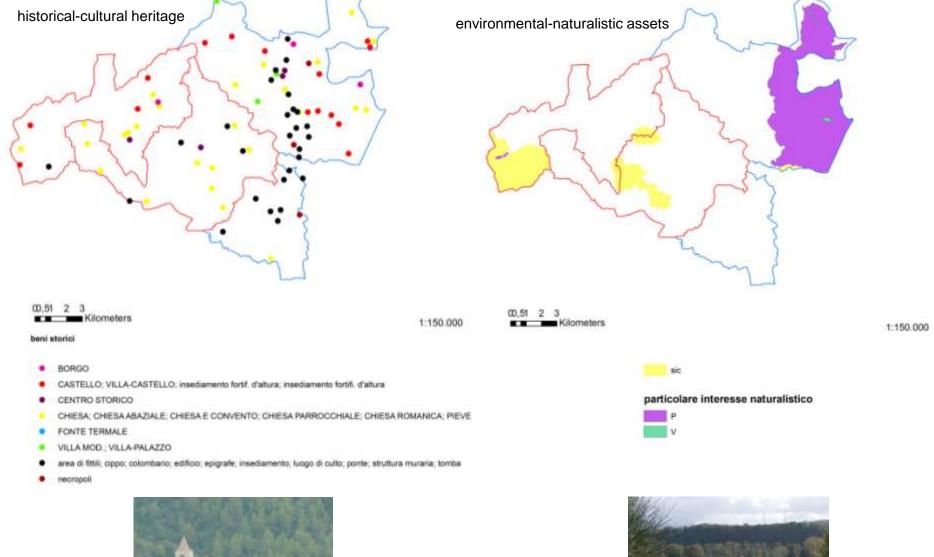


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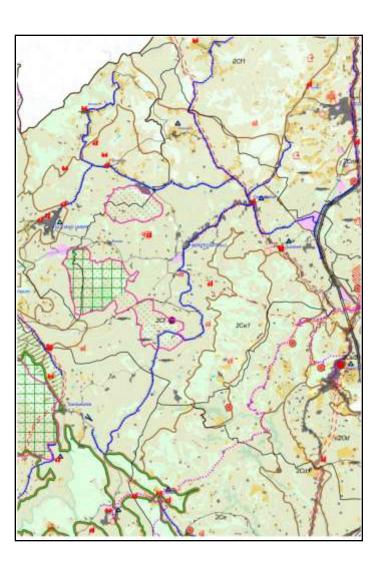
...and, finally, from the cultural and historical knowledge of the landscapes

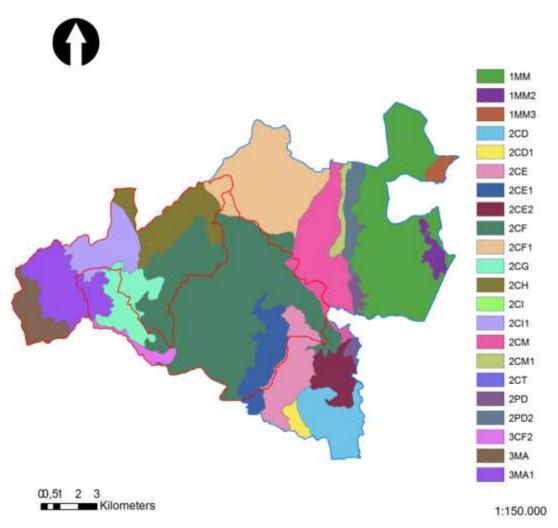






Landscape units



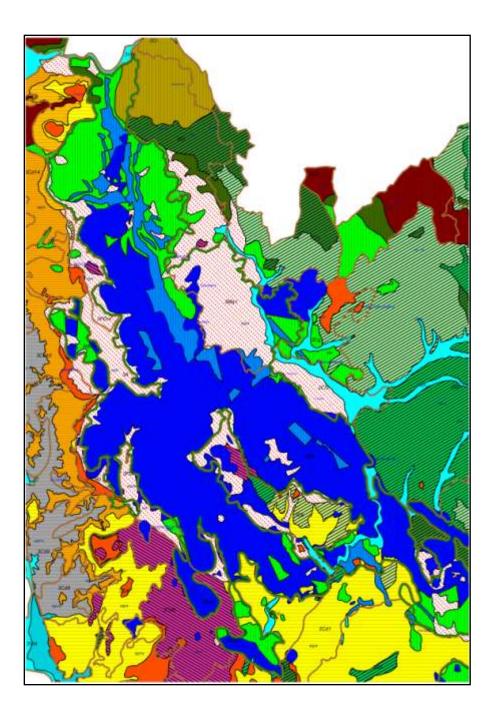




LANDSCAPE UNIT: 3 MA "MONTI AMERINI"

Geo-morphological aspect.

The area is characterized by a mountain morphology with extensive summit ridge areas, large strips of mountainsides and mountain areas of medium-low steepness, hilly areas of medium-low slope, interrupted by short valleculae. The mountains that constitute the ridge have rounded tops and low slopes. Prevailing presence of calcareous massif lithologies, with strips of clayey/calcareous-marly and detrital marls.



Land-use aspect.

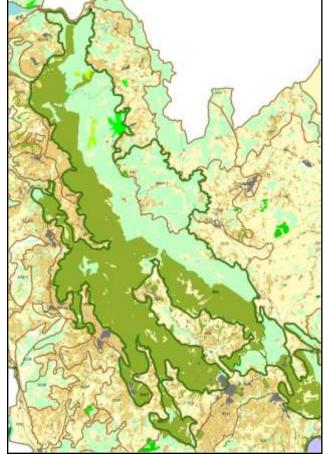
The whole area is characterized by the presence of wooded areas and, among these, the sclerophyllous trees are prevalent both for compactness and extension. Oak woods are dominant, with areas of shallow soil formations dominated by Aleppo pine. Instead, on the northwestern side, there is a prevailing presence on the calcareous substrata of the ridge of deciduous woodlands (Carpino nero) within which there are the chestnut woods; on the sides of these slopes there are "Roverella" trees. Within the wooded areas there are very few grazing lands and sowable lands.

From historical maps reading and comparison of IGM 1890, 1945-60 and 1997 land-use map, it comes out a development and completion of wooded patches, to grazing lands loss whose surface is severely decreased. Within the 3Ma1 subunit, patches of marginal agricultural land, arboreous sowable, simple sowable, olive groves and grazing lands infiltrate in wooded areas, breaking the uniformity of the woody ambit. In this area, the castle of Toscolano stands out in the depths of the wood. Small agricultural areas become part of the 3Ma2 subunit and they lie on clayey deposits but they can't space out the wooded corridor. The structural elements of this landscape unit are also the confluence of the "Fosso delle Macchie" with the "Rio Grande" and the village of St. Restituta. It is important to mention the presence of fortified settlements/centres (as Pianicel Grande) that are probably organized as a "system", and the place of worship, the "Grotta Bella" and the stretch of the Amerina road. The infrastructures crossing the territory of the UDP are inter-municipal connecting roads with medium-low traffic flow as well as forest road network.

Anthropic pressure.

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LANDSCAPE UNIT: 2 CF "COLLINE INTERNE DI ACQUASPARTA, MONTECASTRILLI, AVIGLIANO UMBRO"

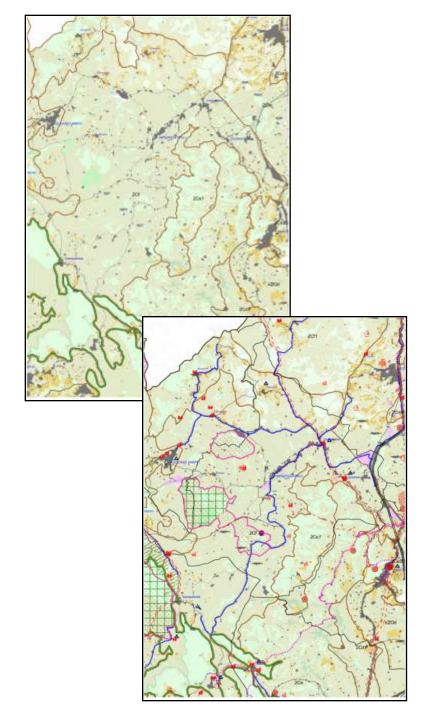
Geo-morphological aspect.

A medium-low steepness hilly area with the following features: complex, wide; it is crossed by many ditches and it is affected mainly by detrital sands and sandy clays of lacustrine origin; within the 2Cf2 subunit there are large strips of sloping debris with alluvial ambits ("Fosso Grande").

Land-use aspect.

The territorial ambit is affected by a simple sowable land-use, that is interrupted by thin vegetation corridors (wrecks and hedges) that develop along the ditches building up a smaller ecological network, a few strips of arboreous sowable lands, which raise in the territory of Avigliano Municipality. Within the 2Cf1 subunit there is an increase of wooded strips and the development of a remarkable wooded patch forming a "ring" serving as a division among this subunit, the remaining part of the ambit and the UDP named "Colline interne Valle del Naia 2Cm".





The E45 – a high traffic flow highway – crosses a part of the 2Cf1 subunit; the "Casigliano-Rosaro-Collesecco" ridge road has a panoramic view. This UDP is crossed by the inter-municipal connecting road named "Castel Todino-Montecatrilli-Farnetta-Castel Dell'Aquila" and it is characterized by a considerable amount of scattered goods, in particular parish churches. Remarkable presence of typical houses within the 2Cfl subunit (property of the "Corsini" princes).

The connection between Montecastrilli and Amelia is also considered a **panoramic road** with various visual cones. Finally the subunit Cf2 is crossed by the historic "Amerina" road, which currently connects Sambucetole and Castel dell'Aquila.

Along the axes, there are phenomena of building and productive concentration, particularly in Castel Todino village by the road towards Montecastrilli, Acquasparta and Dunarobba.

The typical archaeological features are: high ground settlements and natural cavities, the stretches of the roads named "Amerina" and "Sette Valli" which are of historical importance (both in the Roman period and in the Middle Ages).

There are many castles and fortified villages, such as Montecastrilli, Castel dell'Aquila, Quadrelli, Castel Todino, Casigliano, Rosaro, Configni, Collesecco, and rural villages such as Dunarobba etc.

Finally there are significant rural outbuildings which are scattered along the area. An important feature is the texture of interfarming roads.

Anthropic pressure.

It is mainly characterized by sowable land and by linear expansions along the infrastructural axes.





LANDSCAPE UNIT: 3 VNT VALLE NERA - S.LIBERATO - CONFLUENZA NERA-TEVERE

Geo-morphological aspect.

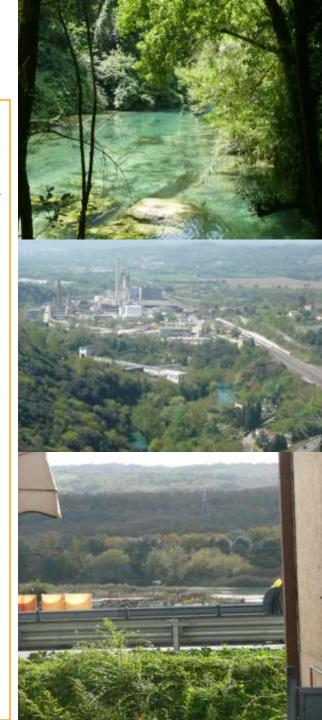
The unit consists of clastic alluvia with extensive benches in the Nera valley and of the southern part of the valley itself. The artificial basin of S. Liberato is included within the Nera valley that represents an interesting moist habitat of naturalistic and faunal interest. The southern part of the UDP, nearby the confluence of the Aia Torrent, is characterized by an area of volcanic deposits that is closely related to the valley on account of the flat morphology.

Land-use aspect.

The territorial ambit is characterized by a predominantly simple sowable land-use that is **interrupted by large industrial areas in the Nera valley** which develop between the centre of Nera Montoro and the centre of San Liberato, by river dams and **hydroelectric power plant**.

Presence of patches of arboreous sowable that are intensified in the southern part of the UDP, nearby the confluence of the Aia Torrent. Agriculture has a productive role, though agricultural areas among industrial areas and road - railway infrastructures are configured as residual.

The valleys are crossed by infrastructures of national importance (motorway link road, motorway and railway) with a high traffic flow.



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However it is important to mention the presence of hydrophyte, marshy and riparian communities of Lake S. Liberato, the riparian vegetation of the Nera River, that is well developed, continuous and complex, as well as the ecological value of the confluence of the Nera and Tevere rivers.

The only historic village of this UDP is S. Liberato, while in the southern part of the Tiber Valley there are structuring elements of Otricoli, that is an archaeological site, the "Formiche" castle and the Flaminia road.



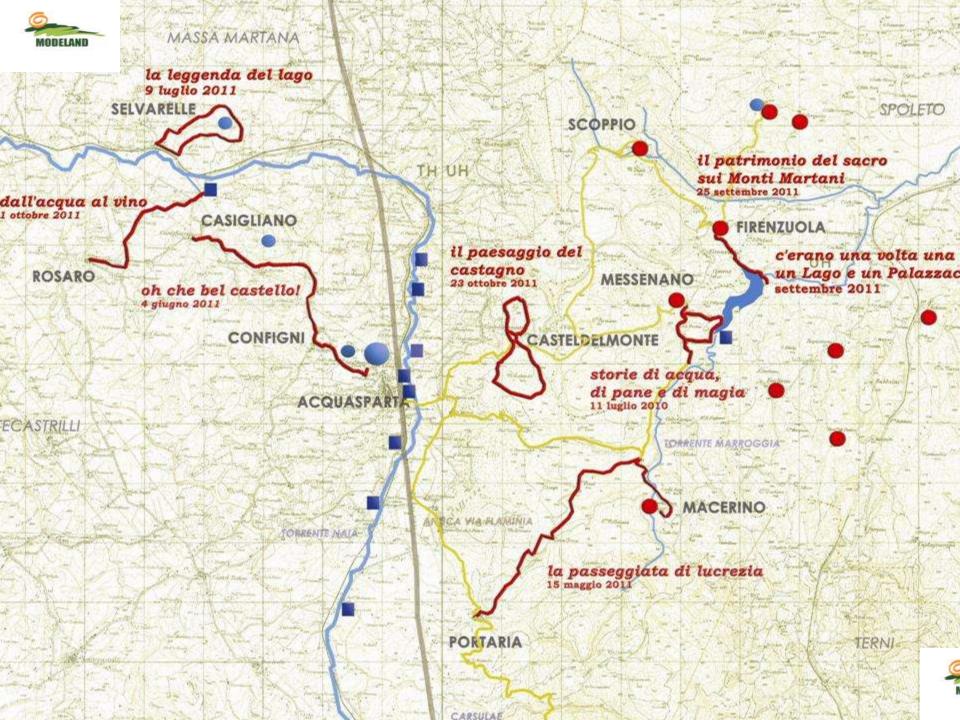




Promenades/planning walks





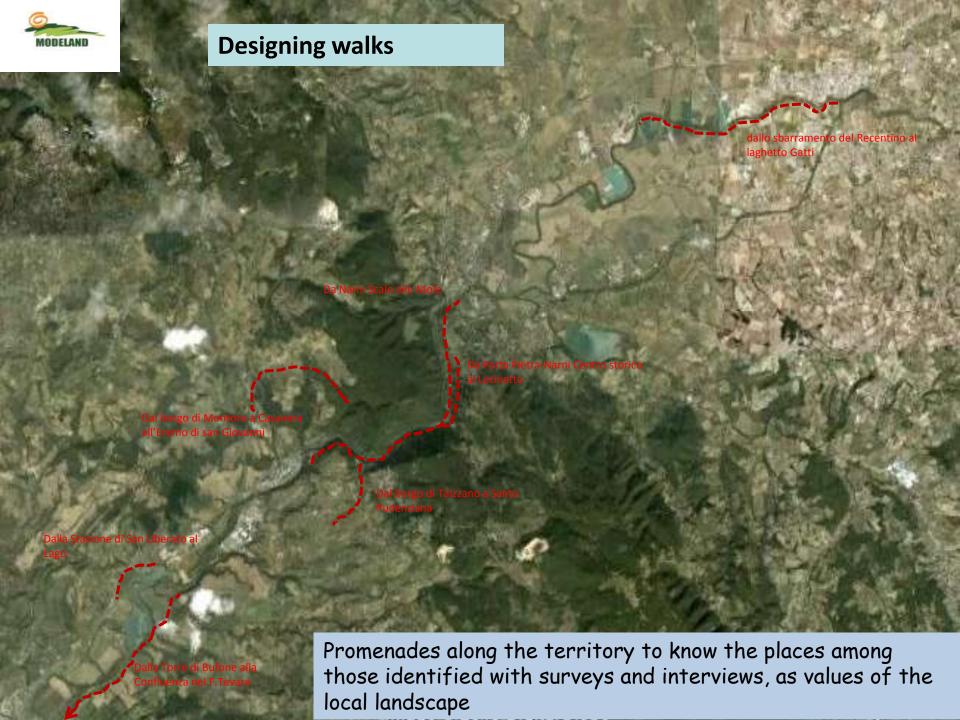








The gorges of the Nera river







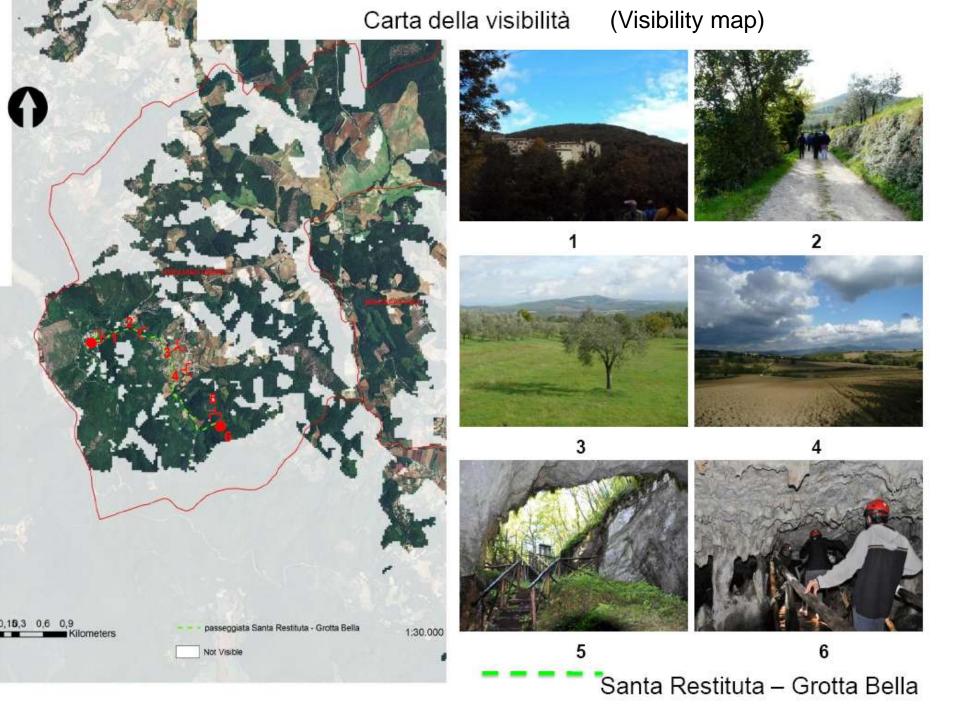


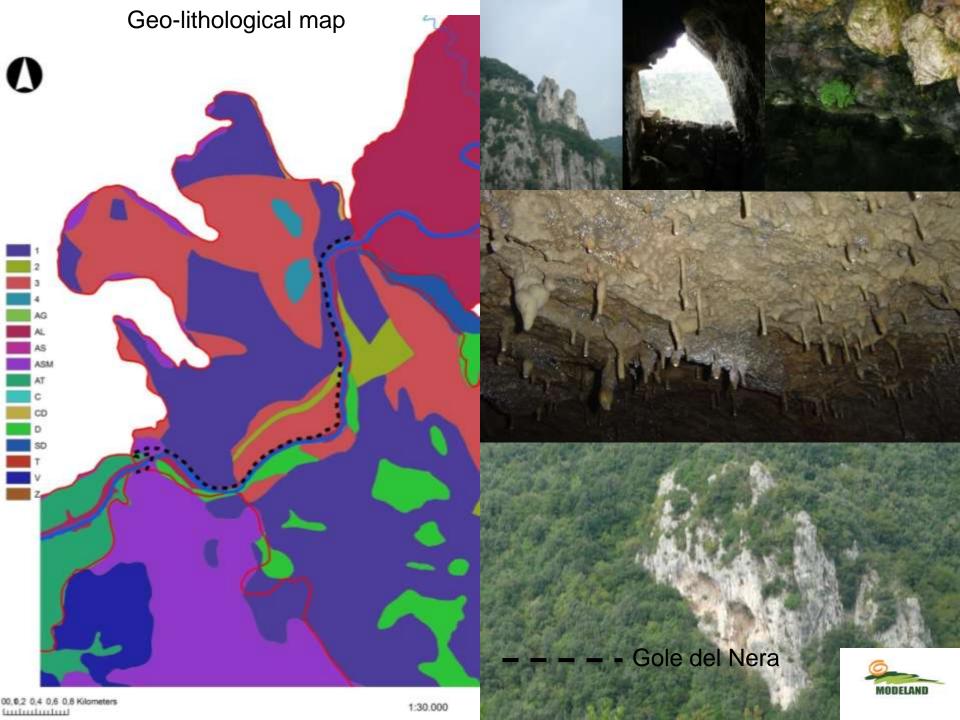


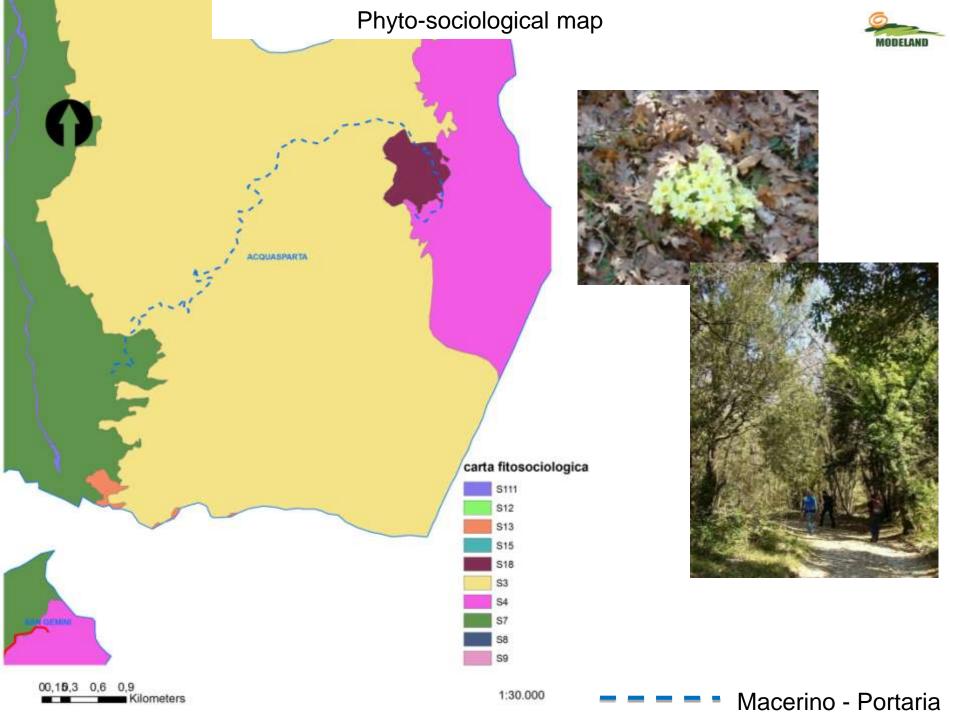


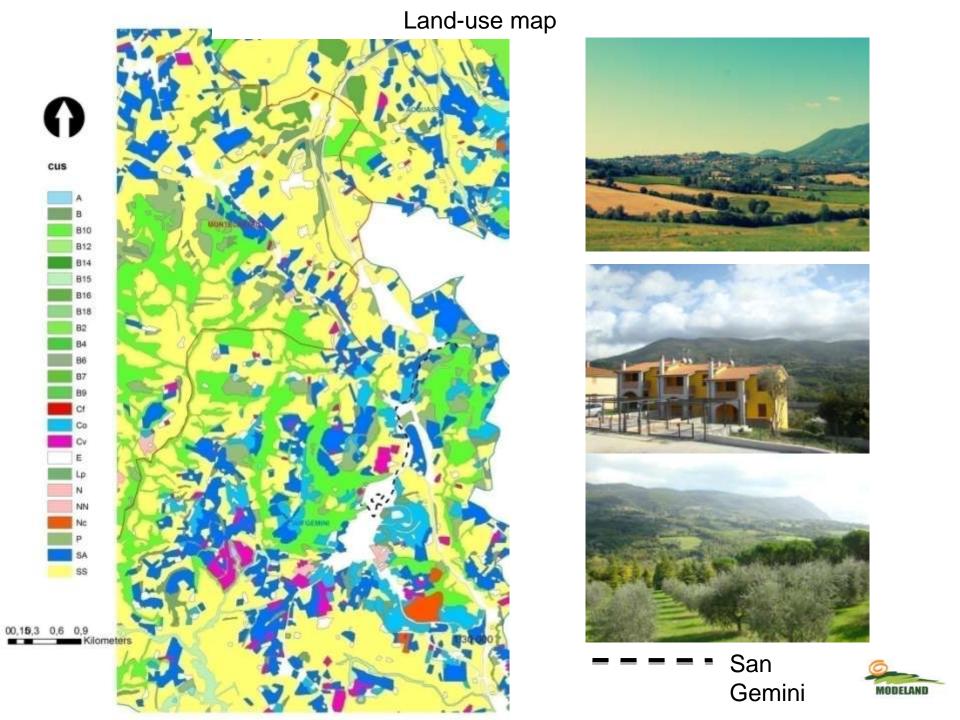
Re-discovering the river landscape:

Meet all together! Active participants, experts, associations, new friends of the river...achieved steps and future ones...











Therefore, the *landscaping* knowledge is achieved through various field studies, as well as through direct and shared knowledge of the territory by means of numerous promenades/walks (which highlight a lot of landscape and cultural aspects) and especially through the activities organized by several groups of participants, such as:

- the workshops
- the events

As a result of these activities appears to be an updating process of the exact information that could supplement the available maps, as well as the knowledge of traditions, emotional and affective aspects, hopes and, finally, of the value system of local communities.





Test













The test was done with the use of photographs which were selected from those taken by the same people to whom the test has been submitted and prior knowledge of places, including physical activity (walking). Thus, the expressed opinion is not related to a "framed view" that has been

chosen by a "third person", but to a directly experienced landscape.



Landscapes
Paths
Project
People



A territory with deep common origins...

diffused WATERS in all their shapes and types

THE "FLAMINIA ROAD"
Sacredness of places and monuments

THE MEDIEVAL POLYCENTRISM





heterogeneity and dispersion



compactness and narrowness









Landscapes

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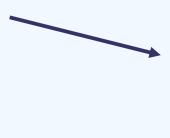
Project People



Acquasparta and San Gemini

The workshop expresses a MULTIFORM landscape

with "centrifugal", fragmentary and conflictual dynamics



The participative process must reconstruct and consolidate landscapes and communities



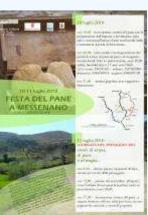


Building "maps of connections and heritage"



Building and sharing "knowledge" and "rediscovery"





Landscapes

Paths

Project People



Acquasparta and San Gemini

The workshop expresses a "COMPACT" landscape with "centripetal" and rigid dynamics

The participative process must read a well-known landscape again

Retracing and thinking SHARED HARITAGE over with the participation of everyone



Nel giardino di S.Nicolo': il racconto del sodalizio tra Pietro Porcinal e Violati



Nel Parco delle Fonti Sangemini: la visita alle sorgenti e al parco, il















Landscapes Paths **Project** People



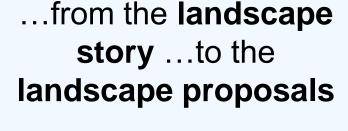
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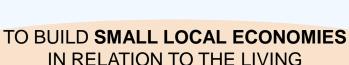


TO GIVE NEW ROLES TO "SLEEPING HERITAGE"

TO ACTIVATE THE "NETWORK" OF LANDSCAPE RESOURCES TO BUILD CONNECTIONS BETWEEN RURAL LANDSCAPES AND URBAN

LANDSCAPES









TO DISCOVER THE LANDSCAPES OF THE SOUL AND THE SACRED

> TO HAND DOWN AND REINVENT HUMAN KNOWLEDGE AND "KNOW-HOW"

Landscapes

Paths Project People













The river as "ecological corridor and passage of memories": ecological re-balancing and biodiversity protection; recovery and protection of valuable built-up areas, of archaeological, historical and architectural emergencies; re-discovery of local knowledge





The river as "corridor of knowledge and ideas":

The involvement of inhabitants, schools and "stakeholders" allows to share a complex "project process" and to identify the possible synergies through the activation of a "joint creativity" that is of great value for the interested local system/communities.





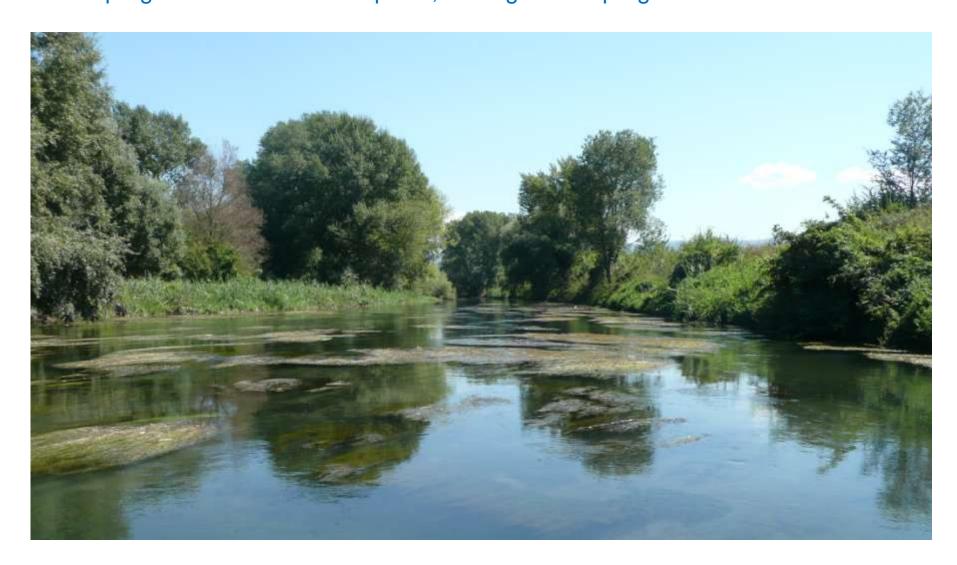
Seyond the conflict resolution towards a balanced tradesystem between man and river environment:

the improvement of our rivers would allow to increase the environmental services which are provided by themselves





The participative development of new living environments: the resulting proposals; the engagement to take care of the territory; the progressive involvement of public, private bodies, local authorities, stakeholders; synergies development through concrete programmes and current plans; strategies and programmes definition





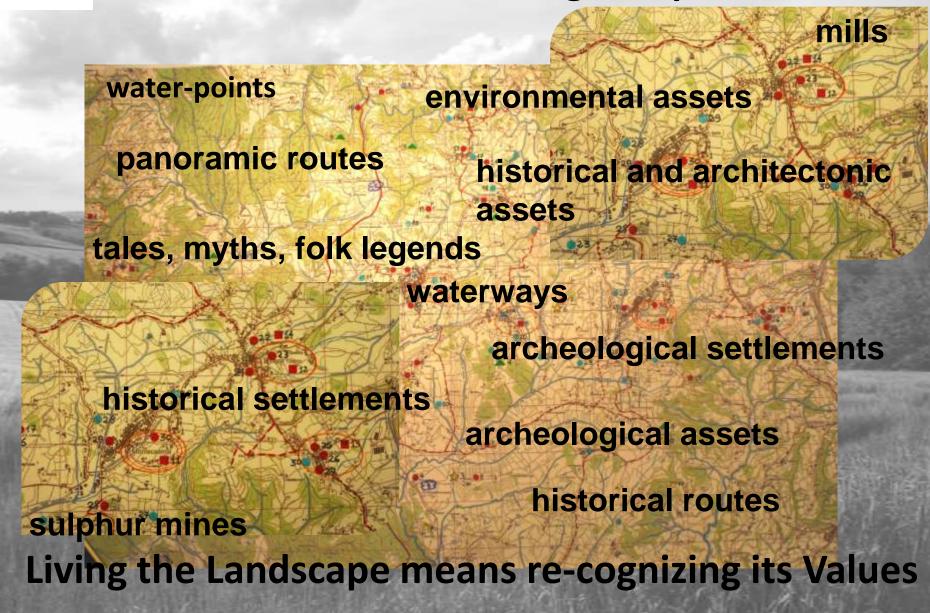


COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE MAPS: TO BE – AWARE OF BEING – KNOW HOW

We started longing to know ... we realized that nothing can be taken for granted: the territory history and people history create HISTORY (Bruno, a workshop participant)



Territorial knowledge map





Concrete and potential landscape detractors map





Social perception map

The gentleness of the hills situated on a saddle between Martani Mountains and Amerini Mountains, rich in luxuriant and tidy vegetation with changing colours, depending on the seasons; the ancient villages overhanging the peaks are on guard of the Landscape just as careful sentinels of history (Walter)

hilly position of all the villages and the "green sea" countryside (Bruno)

Knowing each other (Carlo)

The sunset in an absolute silence, even if you stay in the middle of the village (Chiara)

Looking at the Landscape is understanding its soul

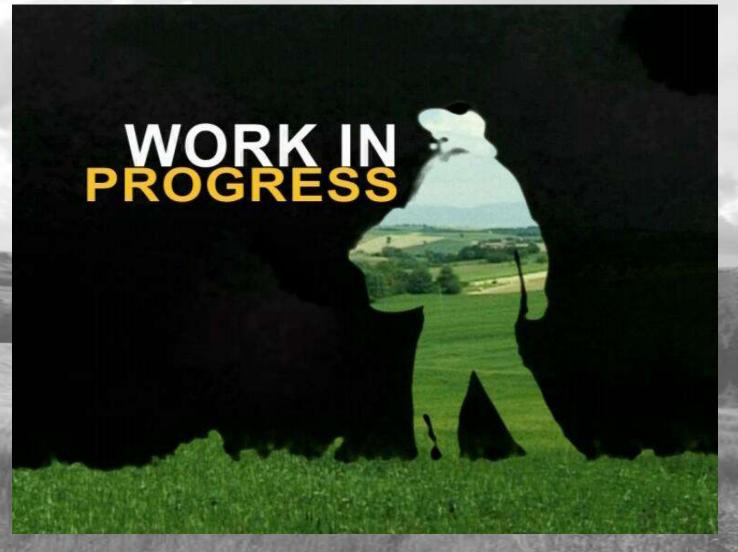


Diving in the Landscape map (walks, happenings, shows)



Plunging into the Landscape means re-considering it





Governing the PRESENT is incumbent and difficult; "governing" while "considering" the FUTURE is incumbent and exciting: this is the Laboratory CORE!

