



An initiative of the Laboratorio di Cooperazione Internazionale per lo Sviluppo Sostenibile del Territorio (DiAP)

## 1<sup>st</sup> International Workshop

# RECIFE CALLS MILANO. APPROACHES TO COMPARE Integrated strategies to protect and improve peri-urban green spaces

19<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> November 2012 / Milano - Italy

### Aim and Contents

The workshop aims to develop, integrate and consolidate among participants the knowledge and practices relating to the conservation and qualification of peri-urban green areas through:

- the exchange of knowledge and information about the topic, the approach used and the area of intervention
- an open discussion about themes and projects of a special interest
- an application with design and planning characteristics aimed at solving the problems faced
- presentation and discussion of the projects with the workshop teaching group

The key question focuses on the minimum possible consumption of land area while allowing the best possible allocation of land use from the perspective of sustainable development, thereby helping to create new environmental and socio-economic values and resolving the apparent conflict between economy and ecology - all as part of a new vision for the peri-urban landscape -.

All of the green spaces within the peri-urban landscape are collectively considered a framework for a wide range of functions, ranging from housing, food, and energy production, to water management, soil conservation, waste disposal and resource recycling, urban agriculture and forestry, sustainable mobility, outdoor recreation and habitat protection.

A multidisciplinary approach will be used, based on structured analysis of socio-economic, spatial, landscape and environmental factors, and a baseline of good planning, design and management practices will be adopted.

### Study Area

The workshop proposes to deal with the so called *Cidade da Copa*, an area traditionally characterised by old sugar cane farms that recently became the location for a series of government-backed land-use changes associated with the *FIFA WORLD CUP 2014*. These changes also include the construction of mega buildings, transportation infrastructure and other major projects. In addition to the planned transformation, the area is also characterized by the presence of *areas of permanent preservation*, open areas of controlled use, and some small towns.



## **Workshop Organization**

Participants will be split into groups of 5 or 6 people per group.  
Each group will be followed by a tutor and will develop a project based on a defined territorial area.  
Every day, time will be set aside for groups to discuss the progress of the project work.  
The project will be presented during the final seminar.

The first days will be devoted to activities related to theoretical and methodological communications and the presentation of case studies.

On the first two evenings, two conferences will be held by Foreign and Italian experts and associations with relevant knowledge on the topic related to the event.

The workshop will conclude with a final presentation and discussion of the work done.

The daily discussion about the progress of the project and the final seminar could be conducted via Skype with the students of the "Universidade Federal de Pernambuco", in the event that a parallel workshop in Recife is organized.

## **Date, Location and Languages**

The workshop will be held at the Politecnico di Milano from 19<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> November 2012.  
Italian and English will be spoken.

## **Participants**

The workshop aims to promote an interdisciplinary exchange of ideas between people with common interests and expertise in the fields of Architecture, Urban Planning, Engineering, Agriculture, Sociology and Anthropology:

- Graduates or final year Masters students
- Doctorate or Doctoral candidates
- Practitioners in the various fields
- Young, not structured, researchers

The total number of participants will be between 15 and 25, plus maybe several Brazilian students from Recife

## **Application Form and Selection Criteria**

Candidates must fill in and submit the following documents:

- Application form
- Motivation letter (maximum 200 words)
- Curriculum

The participant selection process takes into consideration the candidate's expertise in the fields to be discussed during the event, their reasons for wanting to attend, and the overall balance of skills at the workshop.



## Tutor/Professors/Speakers

The teaching body is organized on four functional levels:

- **Tutors:** providing continuous support to the groups throughout the workshop
- **Foreign Professors:** participating in the evening conferences, with some of them reviewing the group work
- **Italian Professors:** providing support to the groups with their project work
- **Speakers:** participating in the evening conferences, with some of them contributing to the final presentation of the group work

## Scientific Committee

Fátima Furtado	Universidade Federal de Pernambuco, Brasil
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## Fee

The fee is 250 Euro.

The participation fee is a contribution for the didactic and other services (printing of work produced, plotting, USB key with didactic tools).

## Deadlines

- From June 21st 2012 calls for applications
- 15th September 2012 application form submission deadline
- By September 20th 2012 participant selection communication
- 30th September 2012 participant confirmation deadline (with payment receipt enclosed)

## Contacts and Information

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