

Urban and rural heritage role in Italian small towns affected by incoming threat and traumatic event

Abbiategrasso in Ticino Park (north Italy)



The landscape of the marcita meadows: heritage at risk

In this area a traditional agricultural productive technique, the marcita (in Italian), has been developed that is at risk of disappearing due to over-industrialization and construction of new infrastructures.



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ABSTRACT

The MISE/DABC main goal is to preserve this tangible cultural heritage of this area of Italy. This heritage is part of the identity of the local communities and also constitutes a set of effective agricultural and handcraft production techniques both in terms of production of food with beneficial properties and natural resources management. It also constitutes a tradition to be handed down from one generation to the other, also in terms of transmission of working skills. The preservation of these cultural identities has positive implications in different settings such as sustainable development, protection of biodiversity and environment, health, quality of life and welfare