



*Gran Sasso e Monti della Laga National Park Authority*

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## **#ErasmusDays, on line events to promote ancient agricultural techniques**

### ***“A great virtual party to promote the VALOR project”***

Assergi, 09 -10-2020\_ The next 15, 16 e 17 October the Gran Sasso e Monti della Laga National Park Authority, coordinator of the VALOR project “Valorisation of ancient farming techniques in resilient and sustainable agriculture” will promote Erasmus Days as a part of a series of events to raise awareness and disseminate the contents of the project at the same time in all European countries.

In this way the Park Authority confirms its ability to acquire specific financing lines within the framework of the European project valorizing the traditional present in the territory. Only a full rediscovery and “re.functionalisation” of the extraordinary traditional productive heritage of the Protected area Identity Community can in fact ensure new life to the internal areas in a cultural perspective of sustainable and resilient economy.

**The VALOR project** promotes the recovery, conservation and enhancement of ancient local farming techniques through innovative educational programmes that train trainers and farmers and aims to preserve and safeguard traditional identities and economies

Just in these days the project is getting underway with the aim of building specific free online courses with traditional and modern methods to create new professional profiles of the resilient and Sustainable Agriculture Manager and Technician.

Speech by the Chairman

This training builds on agro-ecology, application of ecological concepts and principles to optimize interaction between plant, animals, humans and the environment, while considering the social aspects that need to be addressed for a sustainable and fair food system.

This to create new employment opportunities for local communities, in order to achieve a valid balance between environmental conservation and sustainable socio-economic development that favors the intergenerational transfer of ancient agricultural traditions.

In fact, within Natura 2000 sites and protected areas, agriculture must be resilient, i.e. able to return to its natural structure shortly after it has been affected by climatic and biotic threats, such as floods, hydrogeological instability, floods, pest invasions, etc.

Therefore, the online appointment is scheduled for 15, 16 and 17 October on the social channels of the VALOR projects and on the institutional channels of the Park in order to better know the project and join the training proposal.

This are the related links:

<https://www.erasmusdays.eu/event/valorisation-of-ancient-farming-techniques-in-resilient-and-sustainable-agriculture/>

<https://erasmus-valor.eu/>

<https://www.facebook.com/ErasmusVALOR>

<http://www.gransassolagapark.it/>