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# In the Montello Woods The Volpago ammunition dump and its future landscape

*International workshop* Treviso, 15<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> June 2015



### **Announcement: selection of participants**

#### Aims and contents

In the framework of the experimental activities concerning landscapes and the care of places devised with its Scientific Committee, the Fondazione Benetton Studi Ricerche is organizing an international landscape-planning workshop dedicated to the Montello Woods and to the former ammunition dump at Volpago in the Province of Treviso.

The workshop, which has the support of the Municipal Authority of Volpago del Montello, is designed to provide an opportunity for reflection and awareness-raising on the subject of the Montello Woods and in particular of the area occupied over the last half a century by the Volpago ammunition dump, which is now about to be returned to the public with the transfer of ownership from the State to the Municipality.

The workshop will explore the planning issues at stake in reflecting the meaning and deciding the future layout and possible uses of a space in which vegetation and abandonment, woods and inhabitants will be the key elements in the landscape of the future.

The extent and significance of this area and its cultural and economic role make it important that the workshop should take place in as widely shared a frame of reference as possible, and in view of this all those interested are invited to an initial public meeting to be held on the premises of the Foundation on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2015.

### **Activities**

The workshop will occupy seven full days from Monday 15<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2015. It will be based at the headquarters of the Foundation and will include seminar type activities, lectures, sites visits, discussions and work presentations.

All participants will be issued with an attendance certificate.

#### Admission requirements and procedures

The workshop is designed to involve fifteen holders of master's degree or similar qualifications who are interested in interdisciplinary group work. Ideally they should have some experience in the field of landscape research and project design, either at university or in a post-university professional context. All participants should have a good command of spoken and written Italian, the main language of the workshop.

Participants will be selected on the basis of the curriculum and application submitted.

The regulations can be found on the Foundation's website (www.fbsr.it) or obtained from the Foundation's offices at via Cornarotta 7, Treviso (open from Monday to Friday, 9am–1pm and 2–6pm). Applications should give full personal particulars, including telephone number(s) and e-mail and postal addresses, and should be accompanied by a curriculum vitae and a short letter explaining the reasons for the applicant's interest. This material should be sent by e-mail to fbsr@fbsr.it with the reference heading "workshop 2015"; alternatively it may be sent or delivered by some other means. Applications must reach the Foundation's offices no later than **1 pm on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2015**.

The Foundation reserves the right, at its discretion, to increase the number of places available.

#### Selection

Participants will be selected by a specially constituted commission and the results will be announced by 25<sup>th</sup> May 2015 on the Foundation's website; successful applicants will also be informed by e-mail.

### **Participation conditions**

No enrolment fee is payable for participation in the workshop.

The Foundation will make suitable premises and services available for the workshop, including the library and the map library and all necessary equipment; it will also be responsible for the ordering and free provision of all teaching and work materials, transfers for site visits and lunch on each day of the workshop. Participants will be responsible for evening meals and accommodation in Treviso.

Further information, including advice on the availability of accommodation in Treviso, is available from the Foundation's offices.

#### Lecturers

*Thilo Folkerts*, 100Landschaftarchitektur, Berlin; *Anna Lambertini*, Limes Atelier, Florence; *Luigi Latini*, Iuav University of Venice (coordinator).

## **Tutors**

Elisa Beordo, architect, Belluno; Anna Costa, architetto, Padua; Nadir Mognato, architect, Padua.

## Coordination of the workshop

Simonetta Zanon, Fondazione Benetton Studi Ricerche (with the Chairman of the Scientific Committee).

## **Scientific Committee of Fondazione Benetton**

Giuseppe Barbera, University of Palermo; Hervé Brunon, André Chastel Centre, Paris, CNRS; Paolo Bürgi, landscape architect, Camorino, Switzerland; Luigi Latini (Chairman), Iuav University of Venice; Monique Mosser, Advanced School of Architecture Versailles, CNRS; Joan Nogué, University of Girona, Catalonian Landscape Observatory; Lionello Puppi, Professor Emeritus, University of Ca' Foscari, Venice; José Tito Rojo, University of Granada; Massimo Venturi Ferriolo, Milan Polytechnic University. Honorary members: Carmen Añón, University of Madrid; Domenico Luciani, architect, Venice; Thomas Wright, University of London.

Members also included *Sven-Ingvar Andersson* (1927-2007), landscape architect; *Rosario Assunto* (1915-1994), philosopher; *Ippolito Pizzetti* (1926-2007), landscape architect and writer.