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Congress opening





Which goals does the congress intend to pursue?

The 1st Smart cities, towns, rural and mountain villages international congress, organised by La.Pi.S. to celebrate its 10th anniversary, is aimed to focus the smart city expert attention on one of the most important issues facing the scientific community worldwide today: **climate change**. A topic whose strategies, to mitigate causes and disastrous effects, have in the smart city approach one of the fundamental aspects to direct the studies, projects, economic resources, research

For La.Pi.S., an association operating in Pinerolo (TO), a small hinge town between Turin, on one side, and rural and mountain villages, on the other side, it was natural to give the congress a title that would emphasise the transversal nature of the issue in a widespread territorial context



Which is the canvas on which La.Pi.S. organised this event?

The smart approach, declined with the 6 action axes (economy, people, mobility, governance, environment, living), is to be understood as the tool through which technical-scientific development, with particular reference to digital technologies, is placed at the service of economic and social development and the well-being of citizens

Whit this holistic vision, the smart city culture combines technical-scientific and humanistic competences to ensure that sustainable development is approached with concreteness, pragmatism, realism, without any too easy ideological drift and focusing the attention on people's needs





Which topics did the authors have to focus on?

- Smart strategies to mitigate causes and effects of climate change and reduce the environmental footprint
- Case studies, best practices, projects, scientific research, innovative proposals concerning new building, urban, territorial and landscape design approaches to tackle climate change in smart cities, towns, rural and mountain villages, according to the innovative AI and IoT applications

Which Partners have provided La.Pi.S. with their scientific collaboration?

The event, kicked off with a call for abstracts published in October 2023, involved **21 international scientific Partners** and an **international scientific Committee composed of 12 Members**, including academics and experts





Scientific Partners

ACEA Pinerolese Industriale – ASviS (Associazione Infrastrutture Sostenibili)

(AIS) Alleanza Italiana per lo Sviluppo Sostenibile

Aydın Adnan Menderes Üniversitesi (Turchia) - Cankiri Karatekin Üniversitesi (Turchia)

Confindustria Piemonte - ENEA

Fondazione Compagnia di San Paolo - Fondazione per l'Architettura Torino

Green Building Council Italia – ISPRA/SNPA

OICE - Ordine degli Architetti, Pianificatori, Paesaggisti e Conservatori della Provincia di Torino
Ordine degli Ingegneri della Provincia di Torino - Fondazione Piemonte Innova
Politecnico di Torino (Dipartimento di Architettura e Design)
SIGEA (Società Italiana di Geologia Ambientale) - Smart Communities Tech
Università cattolica di Avila (Spagna) - Università di Johannesburg (Sud Africa)
WSB University (Polonia)





International Scientific Committee Members

- 1. Prof. Rodolfo Baggio Bocconi University Milan (Italy)
- 2. Arch. Laura Blaso Head of the Laboratory «Smart cities and Communities» of ENEA (Italy)
- 3. Prof. Rui Alexandre Castanho WSB University (Poland)
- 4. Prof. Antonio De Rossi Polytechnic of Turin (Italy)
- **5. Arch. Giorgio Gallo** Expert on Environmental sustainability, Circular Economy and Green Public Procurement, Smart Land, Smart Communities and Smart City (Italy)
- 6. Prof. Derya Gülçin Aydın Adnan Menderes University (Turkey)
- 7. Prof. Fernando Herràez Catholic University of Avila (Spain)
- 8. Prof. Alessandro Martelli Former professor at the University of Ferrara and Former Director of ENEA (Italy)
- 9. Doct. Archaeologis Davide Mastroianni SIGEA (Italy)
- **10. Arch. Carlo Micono** OICE (Italy)
- 11. Prof. Ali Uğur Özcan Cankiri Karatekin University (Turkey)
- 12. Prof. Javier Velázquez Catholic University of Avila (Spain)





Which was the role assigned to the international scientific Committee by the congress Participation rules?

- 1. To select the abstracts received for the paper phase submission
- 2. To evaluate the papers worthy of being admitted to the congress and proposed to the international scientific publisher Elsevier for publication in specialised journals (see list of journals in the congress Participation rules)





How is the congress organised?

- The congress is organised into two sessions (morning session and afternoon session)
- The morning session hosts the presentations of the Experts of some international scientific Partners
- The afternoon session is reserved for presentations by Authors whose papers have been admitted to the Congress by the international scientific Committee
- Each session will provide an opportunity for participants to ask questions at the end of each session
- Discussion on experiences and lessons learned during the day will conclude the congress





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The collaboration with:

- Fondazione per l'Architettura di Torino
- Ordine degli Architetti, Pianificatori, Paesaggisti e Conservatori della Provincia di Torino
- Ordine degli Ingegneri della Provincia di Torino

allows the CFPs accreditation for Architects and Engineers who are members of their corresponding professional organisations





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