

## MEDFOR SUMMER EVENT - 2016

### Date

2-5 August 2016

### Location

Centro Studi Alpino

Via Rovigo, 7

38050 Pieve Tesino (Trento), Italy



### Who can participate?

Students regularly enrolled in the MSc course MEDFOR in one of the partner Universities and in the MSc course SFA-LM of the University of Tuscia.

## GENERAL PROGRAMME

### 01.08 Monday:

Travelling – Welcome dinner

### 02.08 Tuesday:

- Presentation of MEDFOR MSc students's Master Thesis (detailed programme in the book of abstracts)
- Visit the Arboretum and the Museum “House of Alcide De Gasperi”

### 03.08 Wednesday:

Field visit (*Fagus-Carpinus* forests & “Arte Sella”)

Class activity: ecosystem services and market - Lectures: Dr. Mauro Masiero

Overview seminar by the General Director of the FAO Forest division

### 04.08 Thursday:

Field visit and data collection (*Picea-Abies* forests silviculture and management)

Class activity: data elaboration and analysis – Teacher: Dr. Gianfranco Scrinzi

### 05.08 Friday:

Filed visit (*Picea-Larix* forests and Alpine pasture/grassland)

Class activity: carbon cycle of mountain grassland and land use changes – Lectures: Dr. Olga Gavrichkova and Ms. Guido Pellis

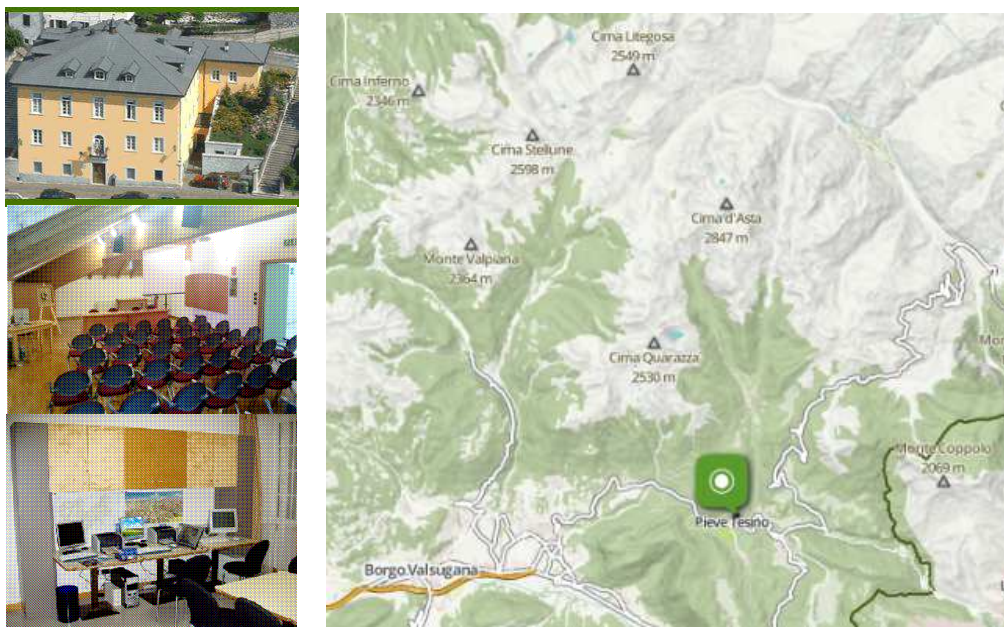
### 06.08 Saturday:

Travelling

## PRACTICAL INFORMATION

### LOCATION

The MEDfOR summer event will be held in **Pieve Tesino**, a small village in Trento Province (North-Eastern Italy), at the Alpine Research Center of the University of Tuscia. The building has been recently restored to host meetings and training courses and it is provided with conference room, meeting rooms, guest rooms and WiFi connection.

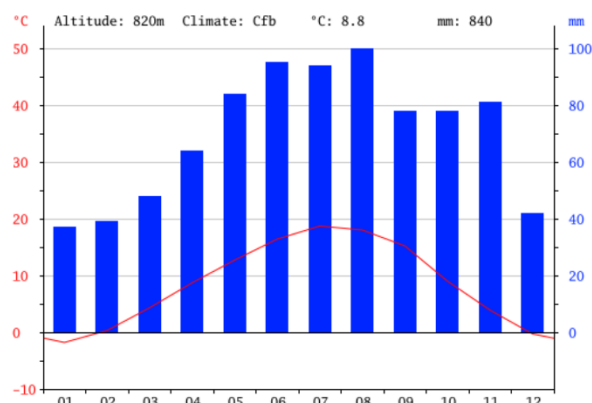


Pieve Tesino (altitude 843 m asl) is situated on the southern sides of the woody Mount Silana, which protects it from the northern winds. *The town's name refers to the presence, on-site, of a parish church in the valley. Hometown of the famous Italian statesman Alcide De Gasperi, it is a popular tourist destination, especially during summer. Even though it was one of the warm fronts during the First World War and suffered for this reason, considerable damage, the town still retains its historic core with beautiful medieval buildings and portals, some of which date back even to the XV century. The plateau of Tesino was inhabited since the Bronze Age, as attested by the finds unearthed in the district of Sant'Ippolito and on the hill of San Sebastian: Later the area was inhabited by the Reti, whose culture was absorbed by the Latin one of the subsequent Roman domain. In 50 A.D. the Romans started the construction of the Via Claudia Augusta Alinate and, along its route, numerous fortifications (castrum) were built. Around these "castra", developed some "vici", the first urban cores of the future community centers in which the original local populations and the Roman soldiers started to coexist. After the fall of the Roman Empire, the territories were conquered by the Lombards, who guaranteed a period of peace and prosperity to local populations. Defeated by the troops of Charles the Great, Pieve Tesino, like all the other nearby localities, was assigned to a local lord under the direct rule of the Bishop of Feltre.*

### CLIMATE

The climate here is mild, and generally warm and temperate. There is a great deal of rainfall in Pieve Tesino, even in the driest month. This location is classified as Cfb by Köppen and Geiger. The average annual temperature in Pieve Tesino is 8.8 °C. About 840 mm of precipitation falls annually.

In summer, the average daily minimum temperatures are around 15 °C and the daily maximum around 26 °C. Nevertheless, during the day the weather conditions can change quickly, as typical of the mountain regions.



**STUDENT ACCOMODATION** - The Center provides accommodation in guest rooms with four beds and a bathroom.



The bedding and the towels usually are not provided.

**RESTURANT AND ADDITIONAL ACCOMODATION** – The local Resturant/Hotel Cima d’Asta will provide lunches and dinners; additional rooms can be reserved for the teaching staff.

([http://www.hotelcimadasta.it/en\\_index.php](http://www.hotelcimadasta.it/en_index.php))



### **PERSONAL EQUIPMENT**

Considering the mountain environment and the field activities also at higher altitudes, the appropriate personal equipment should include hiking boots, waterproof jacket and pullover. A small backpack should be use to put the jacket and the field lunch.

### **TRAVEL**

From Viterbo (University of Tuscia) a bus will depart on Monday and return on Saturday. In alternative, Pieve Tesino (Trento Province - TN) can be reached:

#### **by Air:**

- Venice Airport "Marco Polo" (<http://www.veniceairport.it/>) is the main International Airport in the region

from Venice Airport to Venice Piazzale Roma / S. Lucia Train Station by shuttle bus (20 min) – see time table at [http://www.atvo.it/allegati/aeroporti/linea\\_35\\_dal\\_1.05.2016\\_al\\_29.10.2016.pdf](http://www.atvo.it/allegati/aeroporti/linea_35_dal_1.05.2016_al_29.10.2016.pdf)

from Venezia S. Lucia station to Strigno station by train (about 2:30 hrs of travel) with 1 change in Bassano del Grappa (<http://www.trenitalia.com/tcom-en>). We will organise a shuttle service from the Strigno train station to Pieve Tesino. Please, inform us about your arrival time.

#### **by Train:**

The closest local railway station is Strigno, a stop in the line connecting Trento to Bassano del Grappa. Bassano del Grappa can also be reached by train from Padua or Venice. You can find the timetable and buy the thicketts on the web at: <http://www.trenitalia.com/tcom-en>. We will organise a shuttle service from Strigno train station to Pieve Tesino. Please, inform us about your arrival time.

#### **by Bus:**

Public bus service regularly connects Pieve Tesino with Trento (central train station for high speed train) and Borgo Valsugana (local train station to reach Trento or Venice/Padua). You can find the lines map and the time table on the web at: <http://www.ttesercizio.it/>