



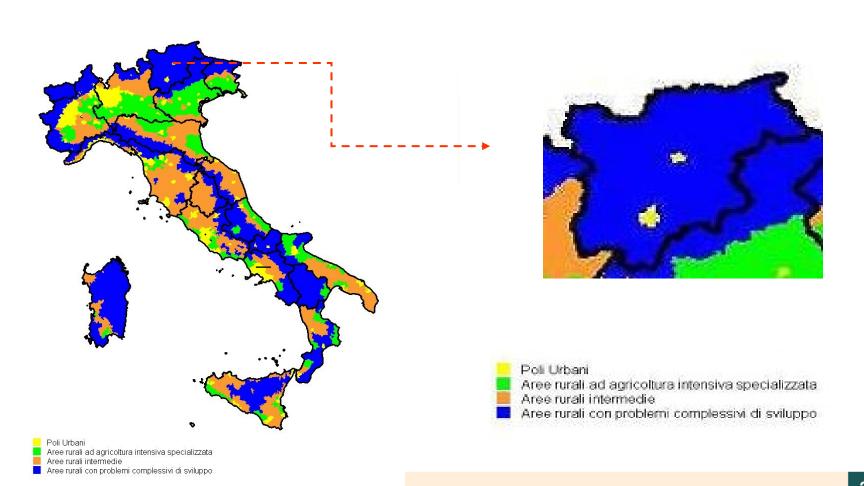
Rural Development Programme of the Autonomous Province of Trento

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General overview







EAFRD allocation Italy (MEuro)



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1	Valle d'Aosta	52,221,000	0.6%
2	Molise	85,790,000	1.0%
3	Trento	100,652,000	1.2%
4	Liguria	106,047,000	1.3%
5	Friuli-Venezia Giulia	108,773,000	1.3%
6	Bolzano	137,575,000	1.7%
7	Abruzzo	168,911,000	2.0%
8	Marche	202,320,000	2.4%
9	Lazio	288,384,000	3.5%
Ο	Umbria	334,430,000	4.0%
1	Toscana	369,210,000	4.5%
2	Basilicata	372,650,000	4.5%
3	Piemonte	394,500,000	4.8%
4	Lombardia	395,949,000	4.8%
5	Veneto	402,457,000	4.9%
6	Emilia-Romagna	411,251,000	5.0%
7	Sardegna	551,250,000	6.6%
8	Calabria	623,341,000	7.5%
9	Puglia	851,327,000	10.3%
Ο	Campania	1,082,349,000	13.1%
1	Sicilia	1,211,163,000	14.6%
	network	41,459,883	0.5%
	total Italy	8,292,009,883	100.0%



Main features (1)



Socio-economic context:

- Total population = approx. 502,500 inhabitants
- Density = 81 inhabitants/km²
- Per capita GDP (pps) = 99.8 % of the EU-25 average

Rural areas:

- 78% of the population and 97.5% of the territory of the Province.
- Density = 65 inhabitants/km² (703 inhabitants/km² in urban areas)
- According to rural areas as defined by the NSP only "Rural areas with complex development problems" (D areas) are present



Main features (2)



Importance of the agricultural, forestry and food sector:

 The Utilised Agricultural Area covers almost 24% of the Province territory and forests 55.6% of the territory

Land utilisation

UAA (146,989 Ha)

arable crops (3.2%)
permanent crops (15.9%)
grasslands and pastures (80.6%)

Holding dimension

Value added

Employment

- The average surface of the agricultural holdings is 5.8 Ha in terms of UAA (IT: 6.7 Ha; EU: 16 Ha)
- The primary sector represents 3.4% of the total Province added value and the food industry represents 2.0%
- The employment rate in the primary sector is 6.4% and in the food industry 2.1%



Financial weight



Axis	Public expenditure	EAFRD rate	EAFRD amount	
	EUR	(%)	EUR	(%)
I. Competitiveness	87,223,608	35	30,528,263	30.3%
II. Environment and countryside	121,059,823	44	53,266,322	52.9%
III. Quality of life and diversification	29,583,300	35	10,354,155	10.3%
IV. Leader	17,142,857	35	6,000,000	6.0%
V. Technical assistance	1,143,773	44	503,260	0.5%
Total	256,153,361		100,652,000	100%
Spending rates (including Leader)				
I. Competitiveness			32,962,225	32.9%
II. Environment and countryside			53,266,322	53.2%
III. Quality of life and diversification			13,920,193	13.9%
Total - TA			100,148,740	100%



Axis 1 – Measures (30.3%)



Axis/Measure	Public Expenditure	
	EUR	share
111. Vocational training and information actions	3,649,143	4.2%
112. Setting up of young farmers	5,178,571	5.9%
Human capital	8,827,714	10.1%
121. Modernisation of agricultural holdings	28,653,494	32.9%
122. Improvement of the economic value of forests	2,000,000	2.3%
123. Adding value to agricultural and forestry products	21,186,797	24.3%
125. Infrastructures	26,555,603	30.4%
Physical capital	78,395,894	89.9%



Measure 121



- Objectives: to increase competitiveness and income of agricultural holdings by supporting tangible and intangible investments for modernisation, through the introduction of new technologies, targeting quality, organic products and diversification.
- Actions: A) Investments for the fruit & vegetable production sector: e.g. equipment and machinery; B) Investments for the zootechnical production sector, including apiculture and snail farming: machinery and equipment for forage cropping, stock management; on farm processing; C) Other investments: on farm logistics; D) Investments for development of niche sectors (honey, goat milk, etc)
- Aid intensity: 50% of eligible expenses, 60% for young farmers



Axis 2 – Measures (52.9%)



Axis/Measure	Public Expenditure	
	EUR	share
211 Natural handicap payments (mountain)	56,092,118	46.3%
214 Agri-environment payments	56,922,250	47.0%
total agricultural land	113,014,368	93.4%
226. Restoring forestry potential and	3,545,455	2.9%
227. Non-productive investments	4,500,000	3.7%
total forestry land	8,045,455	6.6%



Measure 214 (1)



- Organic farming provides a support for farmers who convert/maintain their holding to organic farming in conformity with Reg. (EC) 2092/91. 5 year commitment. Priority to areas with intensive farming.
- Management of grasslands and pastures: limitation for mineral and organic fertilisation; for grasslands in Natura 2000 areas respect of mowing requirements and techniques (i.e. for protection of fauna reproduction and nesting). In pasture areas above 1000m, improve grazing conditions in order improve biodiversity (flora and fauna) and quality of water of pasture areas.
- Use of production methods especially destined to the conservation of biodiversity and of animal species aims to a better management of lowland areas which have undergone an impoverishment of the nature and landscape due to intensive agricultural practices, i.e. care of the traditional agricultural landscape (hedges, row cropping); environmental management of drainage trenches; survival of the Corn Crake.



Measure 214 (2)



- Breeding of 7 local animal species at risk of extinction: 1 sheep, 2 horse, 2 cow, 2 goat breeds.
- Cropping and multiplication of vegetables suitable to local conditions and menaced by genetic erosion
- Agro-environment measures in Natura 2000 areas is divided into three sub-actions: 1) conversion of arable land in grassland/pastures for biodiversity; 2) realisation of cultivations to feed wild fauna; 3) creation and/or improvement of wetlands within agricultural areas



Axis 3 – Measures (10.3%)



Axis/Measure	Public Expenditure	
	EUR	share
311 Diversification into non-agricultural activities	4,257,377	14.4%
313 Encouragement of tourism activities	1,500,000	5.1%
economic development	5,757,377	19.5%
321. Basic services for the economy and rural population	6,876,026	23.2%
323. Conservation and upgrading of the rural heritage	16,949,897	57.3%
quality of life	23,825,923	80.5%



Measure 323



- Objective: to promote the conservation and enhancement of rural heritage especially in mountain areas.
- Actions: a) drawing-up of Natura 2000 management and protection plans; b) investments for the improvement of habitats and environmental awareness in Natura 2000 areas and high nature value sites; c) investments for restructuring, renovation and improvement of the "malghe" and restructuring of the traditional structure of the buildings; e) renovation and restructuring of rural buildings to be used as forest lodges.
- Localisation: only rural D areas / outside of villages
- Aid intensity: between 50% (private bodies) and 100%



Axis 4 – Measures

(6%)



Axis/Measure	Public Expenditure	
	EUR	share
411 Competitiveness	6,142,857	35.8%
413 Quality of life and diversification	9,000,000	52.5%
421 Implementing cooperation projects	571,429	3.3%
431 Running the local action group, acquiring skills,	1,428,571	8.3%



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- 10% of the whole territory of the Province and 3% of the total population.
- The selection will be based on the characteristics of the territory, proposed strategy (priority to transnational cooperation projects), local partnership, arrangements of the management plan.
- Interventions will mainly cover objectives of axis 3 and part of axis 1 actions.



Complementarity (1)



CMO fruit & vegetables: POs will receive support from the RDP only for certain types of investments (improvement of conservation and processing of products, facilities, equipment, irrigation systems,), while CMOs will finance only small investments for maintenance of existing facilities.

CMO wine: planting and replanting of vines are excluded from RDP support

CMO olive oil: RDP supports only structural investments for production, while CMO does not finance these. Processing and marketing investments are excluded from RDP.



Complementarity (2)



CMO milk: respect of milk quota.

Apiculture: demarcation is based on type of investment / action.

Axis 3: demarcation criteria with other Community Funds have been identified for each measure based on type of investment.



Conclusions



The rural development programme respects the provisions of Council Regulation (EC) n° 1698/2005 and of Commission Regulation (EC) n° 1974/2006 and it is submitted to the Committee for a favourable opinion.





