

# LOCAL EVENT REPORT Teolo (PD) 25-26/05/2019

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## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

| Title of the event | Open Doors at Teolo (Padua) Weather Centre |  |
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| Туре               | Local                                      |  |
| Date               | 25-26/05/2019                              |  |
| Location           | Italy, Teolo Padua                         |  |
| PP organizer       | PP2 - ARPA Veneto                          |  |
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# **TARGET AUDIENCES REACHED**

| Participants' category                       | n° of attendees | Name of institution(s) |
|--|-----------------|------------------------|
| General public                               | 194             |                        |
| Local public authority                       | /               | •                      |
| Regional public authority                    | /               | •                      |
| National public authority                    | /               | •                      |
| Institutional body                           | /               | •                      |
| Linked project                               | /               | •                      |
| Sectoral agency                              | /               | •                      |
| Higher education and research                | /               | •                      |
| Interest group / NGO / network / association | /               | •                      |
| Public service provider                      | /               | •                      |
| Media / press                                | /               | •                      |
| Other: project partners                      | /               | •                      |
| ТОТ  | 194             |                        |



#### **EVENT DESCRIPTION**

On Saturday 25 May and Sunday 26 May 2019 a meeting was held at the headquarters of the Weather Center of Teolo (in the Euganean Hills in the province of Padua)

This initiative, named "Porte Aperte al Centro Meteorologico" (Open Doors at Weather Centre), aimed to introduce the public, and in particular the population of the Veneto region, to the activities of ARPAV in the meteorological and agrometorological field.

During the meeting ARPAV presented its activities and its weather forecasts related products, agrometeorological analysis and its monitoring activities through weather stations.

Moreover, this year the important topic of Climate and Climate Change was addressed by adding a specific report that also described the activities of ARPAV in the context of the European project "RESPONSe".

More in detail, the event provided information on the following topics:

### Climate and climate change

In a simple and concise way, given the type of public, we tried to explain what climate is, what climate change is, what are the concrete signs of climate change on the Veneto, what are the factors that have determined global warming and what are the adaptation and mitigation measures that the population can implement.

Using the thermometric data collected on the Veneto since the 1950s, the evident increase in temperatures observed by a considerable number of monitoring stations was shown. The evident effects on alpine glaciers and on the ripening cycles of agricultural crops were shown. Using the rainfall data, the increase in the variability of annual and seasonal contributions observed in recent years and the increase in intense rain phenomena were highlighted.

Given the importance of climatology and the study of climate change, the importance of studies on climate change (which must necessarily be carried out on larger territories in the Veneto region) and the importance of initiatives such as the RESPONSe project which aim at defining of future climatic scenarios valid for a transactional level and the identification of effective adaptation and mitigation actions that must be implemented both by individual citizens and by politicians who are called to plan the adoption of long-term mitigation and adaptation interventions.

#### The forecasting activity of ARPAV

Weather forecasts are believed to be an important tool to support adaptation actions to weatherclimatic adversities

Not only for civil protection but also for private citizens, the correct interpretation of weather forecasts can be important for well-being and sometimes also for safety.

During the event, ARPAV forecasters explained to citizens what are the limits and strengths of weather forecasts, which forecast products are issued, what are the product update times, where they can be found by users (web / social etc.) and for how many days in the future the weather can be predicted.

Further explanations concerned the interpretation of the images of the weather radar in real time that users can consult on the web getting an idea of the space-time evolution of the intended rain phenomena.



#### The agrometeorological activity of ARPAV

The weather has a significant effect on agriculture, the agro-meteorological support action is aimed at optimizing the use of pesticides, fertilizers and irrigation by reducing waste and consequently reducing the impact on the environment.

Visitors were shown the various forecast products and operational tools that the agrometeorological service makes available to farmers.

#### Meteorological monitoring activity and tools

ARPAV has a network of about 160 meteorological and agrometorological stations, 90 hydrometric stations and 19 snow stations distributed throughout the region. Visitors are explained how the automatic stations and the main meteorological sensors work. Explanations are also provided on how it is possible to find the observed data both in real time and in historical series.

A total of 194 visitors took part in this initiative, divided into 4 shifts:

1) Saturday 25 May tot. 50 people; 2) Saturday 25 May tot. 47 people; 3) Sunday 26 May tot. 45 people; 4) Sunday 26 May tot. 52 people.

#### Participants were given to fill in:

- the satisfaction survey of the initiative, as required by the management procedure of ARPAV PG24DG "Management of transparency days";
- the questionnaire of the project RESPONSe to assess the public's sensitivity and interest in the issue of climate change.

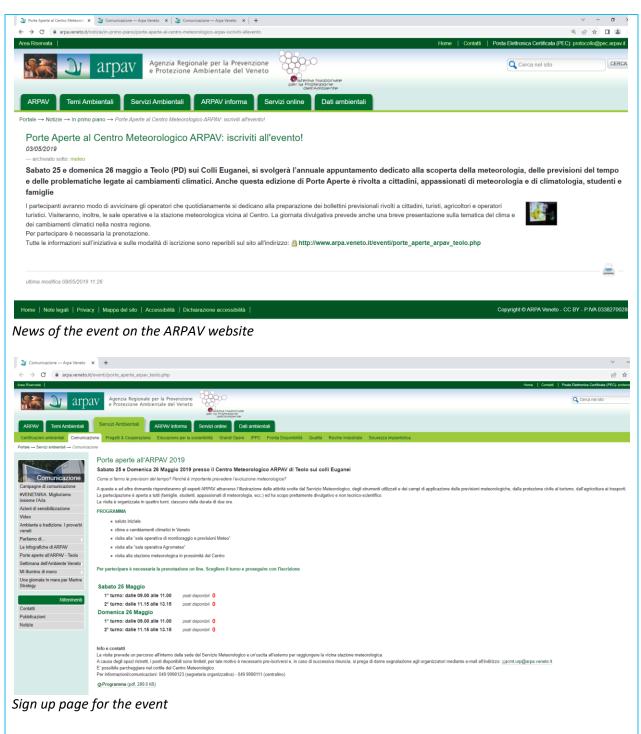
The reports were conducted by ARPAV technicians, in particular on May 25th the following intervened: Adriano Barbi for the climatological explanations, Franco Zardini for the explanations on the meteorological forecasts, Federica Checchetto for the agrometeorological part and Umberto Fucigna for the description of the meteoclimatic monitoring network.

#### On 26 May:

Francesco Rech for the climatological explanations, Antonino Bonan for the explanations on the meteorological forecasts, Alberto Bonini for the agrometeorological part and Alberto Monini for the description of the meteoclimatic monitoring network.

Participants in the initiative fall into the category of general public and fans of the subject. The initiative was advertised on the ARPAV website.





The registration took place through a specific online registration widget and the ARPAV staff has ascertained the effective entry into the meeting's room.

220 people signed up, 194 actually participated and of these 147 replied to the questionnaire.



## **PICTURES OF THE EVENT**



Arrival at the Weather Center of a group of visitors.



Moving to the meeting room.





The posters of the RESPONSe project







Welcome to the participants by the Director of the Meteorological Service.



Climate and climate change in our region.





The participation of ARPA-Veneto in the RESPONSe Project.



Description of the activities and products of the Weather Office.





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What is Agrometeorology?





Description of the activities and products of the Agrometeorological Office.



How does the rain gauge work?







Description of the sensors of a weather station and the functioning of the monitoring network.



Filling up of the questionnaires at the end of the meeting.