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summer school

Socio-Economic Challenges for Inner Areas and Fragile Territories

a Bridge between Italy and Virginia

a masterclass with

JOHN ACCORDINO

Virginia Commonwealth University - VCU (USA)

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24th July
PUBLIC EVENT
Prof. Accordino
Lecture and students
work presentation

Sala Mollino
Castello del Valentino
Viale Mattioli n.39



***How can we revitalize marginalized and fragile territories?
What development strategies for inner areas?***

The summer school focuses on comparing local development programs in Inner Areas of Virginia, USA (Main Street Program - MSP), and Italy (National Strategy for Inner Areas - SNAI), addressing socio-economic challenges. Both regions face issues like limited economic opportunities and inadequate infrastructure. In Virginia, national and state-level programs promote economic growth through public-private partnerships. Professor John Accordino will share his approaches and experiences with international students to address these socio-economic challenges and sustainable imperatives. The program includes lectures, workshops, and field visits, with a focus on the Valsesia area in Italy. This area is both a research focus and a real case study, providing materials and stakeholder interactions. The initiative aims to identify shared strategies and best practices for local development.

A two-day stay (July, 19th-20th) in Alta Valsesia is included, with expenses covered.