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RIVER SECCHIA VALLEY: AREAS AND ACTIVITIES CONTINUOUSLY EVOLVING

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Introduction

Emilia-Romagna has represented in the last decades a particularly dynamic and harmonious situation in its development, both due to the geographical position and the skills inhabitants and people working on the territory have. Yet, in the framework of the region some areas are significant examples of “developmental models” that differ from the regional one to varying degrees.

This essay intends to analyze river Secchia valley and its development scheme, apt to obtain a substantial and harmonious economic level. This geographical entity, situated in the central area of Emilia Romagna Appenines, despite it has environmental features similar to the other Appenine valleys, differs from these ones so as to represent an example of settlement and productive area, that as a whole allowed to overcome the marginality largely characterizing the mountain.

In this paper, the two Authors have focused both on the general features of the individual valley, and on the principal sub-area leading sector, the tourist one.

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