



LEGAMBIENTE



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An introduction to LEGAMBIENTE

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A LITTLE BIT OF HISTORY

Legambiente was founded around 1980 by a group of progressive students of the faculty of Nuclear Engineering at Rome's La Sapienza University. They intended to create a not-for profit organization that would build upon the scientific environmentalism criteria and develop grass-root oriented actions. Their aim: to radically change the development policies of those years, starting from the energy policy.

By its statutes, Legambiente is " a movement organized in the form of an association".

Along the years, it grew more and more popular, thus becoming the most prominent Italian environmentalist organization: Legambiente today is present in all Italian provinces and normally takes the lead in most Italian local and national environmental struggles.



NUMBERS ABOUT LEGAMBIENTE

- * More than 115.000 members and supporters (including 40k students) over a 3 years turnover.
- * 20 regional offices, coordinating more than 800 local groups
- * It's a Not For Profit organisation, formally a federation of both regional offices and local groups.
- * Every group and regional office is a legal entity itself: they all share the same statutes and legal status.
- * Some legal activities, such as higher courts appeals, Life Projects, international institutional activities, are exclusively undertaken by the headquarters
- * Funds raising: donors; national and international projects; grants and sponsorships from both public and private entities; membership fees.



LEGAMBIENTE'S KEY CONCEPTS

Think Globally, Act Locally

Environmental education

A strong commitment in the issues of nature conservation and in the policies of protected areas

Scientific Environmentalism

Original and innovative approach to the issue of economy and employment



LEGAMBIENTE'S STAFF

Legambiente's national staff is splitted in 3 different offices, the main one being the HQ in Rome; the others are in Milan and in Grosseto (Tuscany). Overall they employ around 70 people, some of them working part-time.

Some regional offices are equipped with a hired staff, but in most cases they are hired temporarily, on a project-basis; Most work is carried out by volunteers.

The hundreds of local groups, "circoli", rely entirely on volunteers (with few exceptions).

Our main asset are the volunteers: most of the association's activity would be impossible without them.



MISSION

The mission of Legambiente is to bring the environmental culture to the centre of a new kind of development and diffused well-being.

Important values for the association are the improvement of environmental quality in the Italian cities and countryside, the fight against all forms of pollution, a wiser use of natural resources, the construction of a more balanced relationship between human beings and nature.



MAIN TOPICS

Climate Change

Circular economy

Biodiversity protection

Sustainable agriculture and food

Urban pollution

Marine Pollution

Land protection and urbanism

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TYPE OF ACTIONS



National and local advocacy



Direct actions (demonstrations, sit-in, flashmobs etc)



Environmental education



Data production and dissemination



Strong media work at national and local level



National campaigns



Community projects



International projects and networking



MOST RELEVANT

NATIONAL CAMPAIGNS

GOLETTA VERDE

A vessel touring Italian coasts during the whole summer sampling water and revealing environmental crimes along the coast.



THE GREEN SCHOONER



Awareness raising on marine issues

Lobby Italian ministry to improve marine quality

Connection with scientific institutions on marine pollution

Team building and training of new staff

Spots on local issues raised by local groups

Cooperation with other stakeholders on specific topics

Promotion of best practices on tourism and urbanism

Massive media coverage

Fund raising



PULIAMO IL MONDO

Clean up the world

**Biggest volunteering activity
in Italy.**

**Hundreds of thousands get
going to clean green areas
around their neighbourhood.**



FESTA DELL'ALBERO

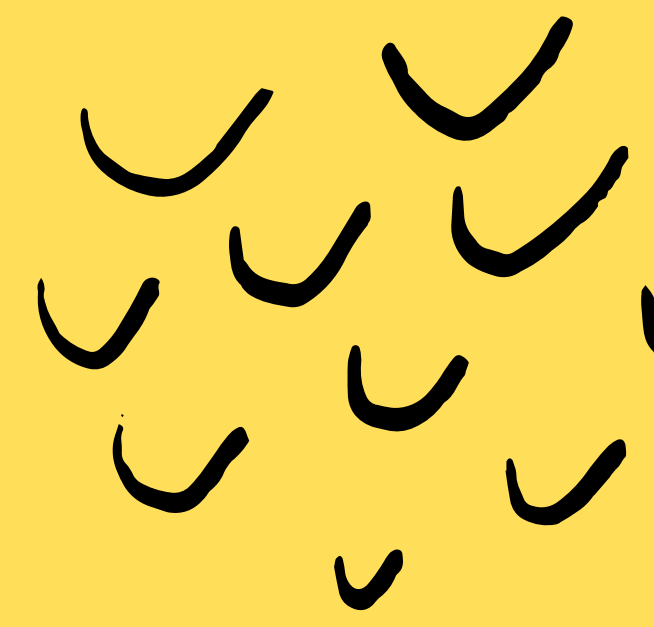
During National Tree Day (21st November) thousands of volunteers plant new trees to take action against climate change and to restore urban areas.

In 2022, during the 27th edition of Festa dell'Albero, more than 10.000 trees and shrubs were planted.



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