

**PROJECT RICLIC – WARM**

**Regional Impact of CLImatic Change in Lombardy WAter Resources:  
Modelling and applications.**

**EGU General Assembly - WIEN, APRIL 20, 2007**

# **REGIONAL IMPACT OF METEOROLOGICAL EXTREME EVENTS: CLIMATIC CAUSES AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC EFFECTS**

**A. Rossetti (1), M. Lacavalla (2), M. Brambilla (1), P. Giacomelli (1) and V. Maggi (2).**

**(1) DEPAA – Agriculture, Food and Environmental Economics and  
Policy Dept., University of Milan**

**(2) DISAT – Environmental Sciences Dept., University of Milan-Bicocca**

# FINAL GOALS

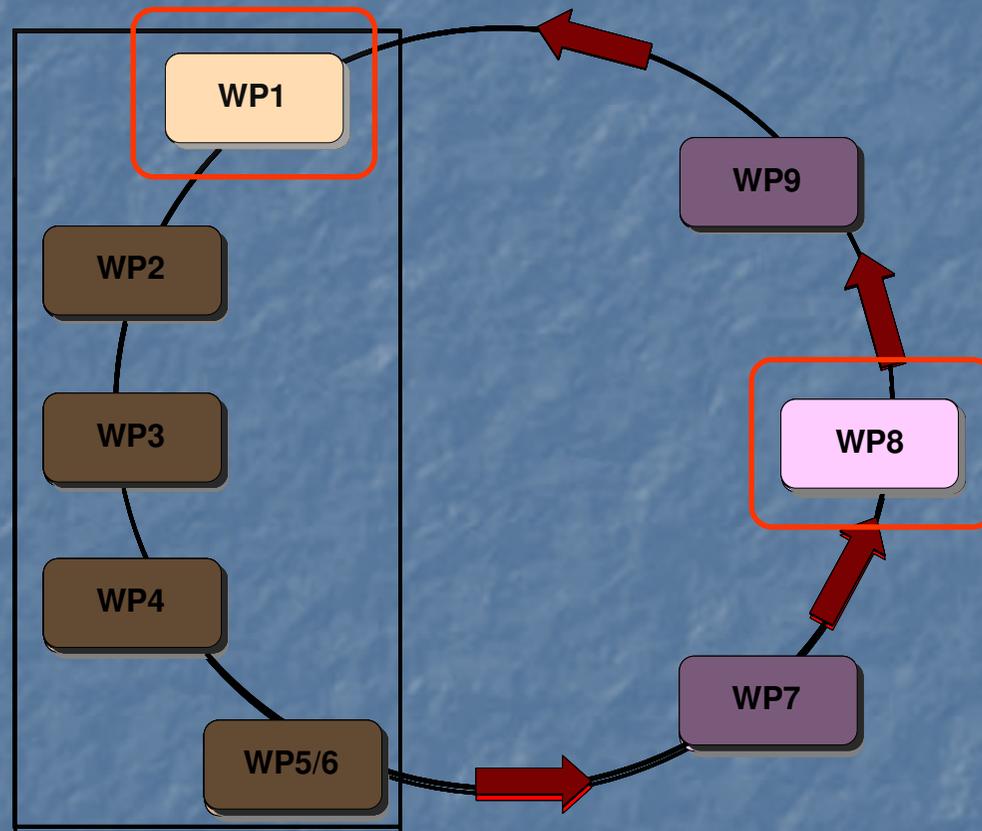
**DEVELOP A SCIENTIFIC METHODOLOGY TO ASSESS CLIMATIC IMPACTS ON WATER RESOURCES AND PROVIDE A SUPPORT TO DECISION-MAKING PROCESSES ON WATER MANAGEMENT**



- University of Milano-Bicocca (UNIMIB)
- University of Milano (UNIMI)
- University of Pavia (UNIPV)

- Regione Lombardia
- ARPA Lombardia  
(Regional environmental protection agency)

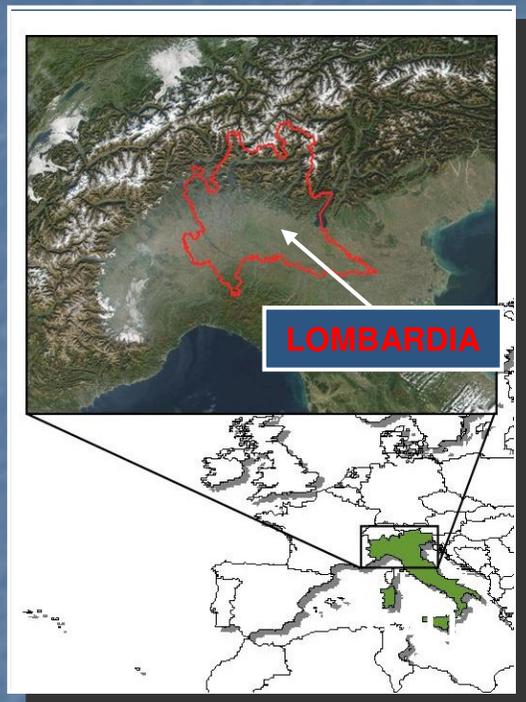
# PROJECT FRAME



**WP1**  
**CLIMATIC DATASET MANAGEMENT**  
Prof. Valter Maggi  
DISAT  
University of Milano - Bicocca

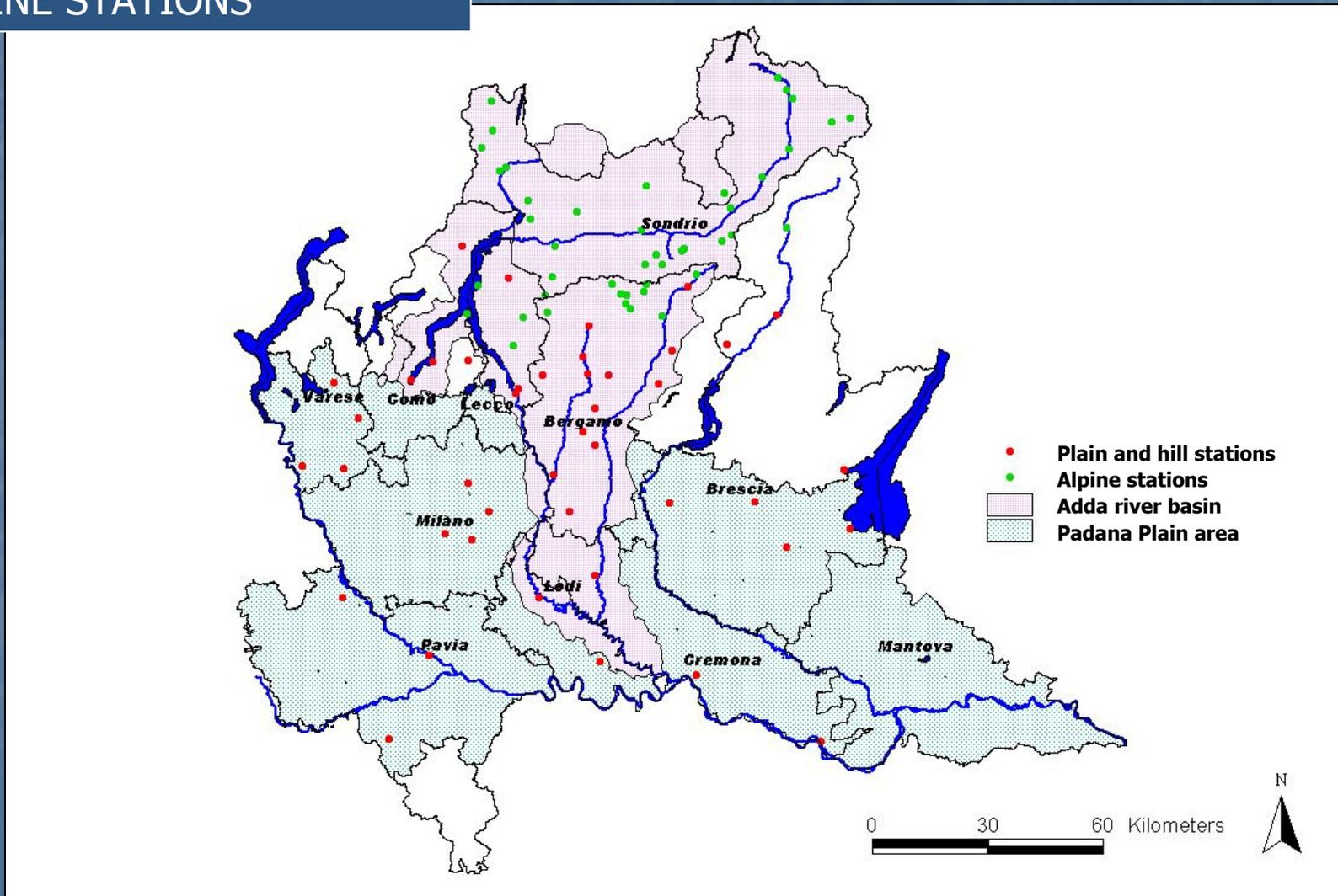
**WP8**  
**DAMAGES AND RISK EVALUATION**  
Prof. Paolo Giacomelli  
DEPAAA - University of Milano

# STUDY AREA



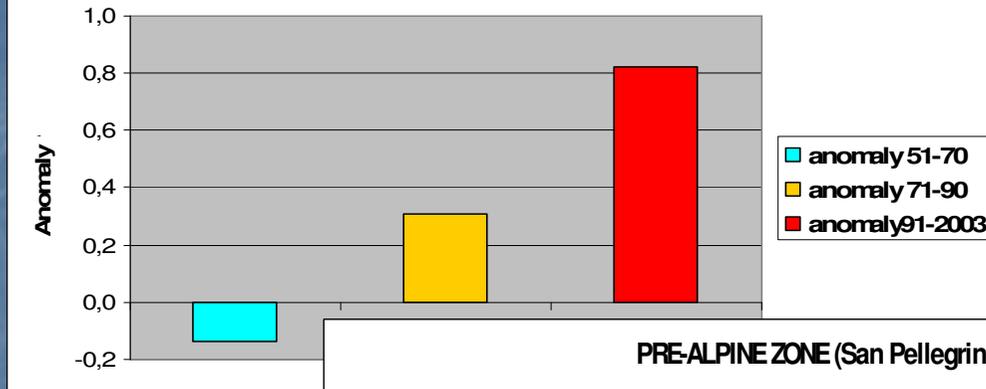
# METEO-CLIMATIC STATIONS

44 PLAIN AND HILL STATIONS  
44 ALPINE STATIONS

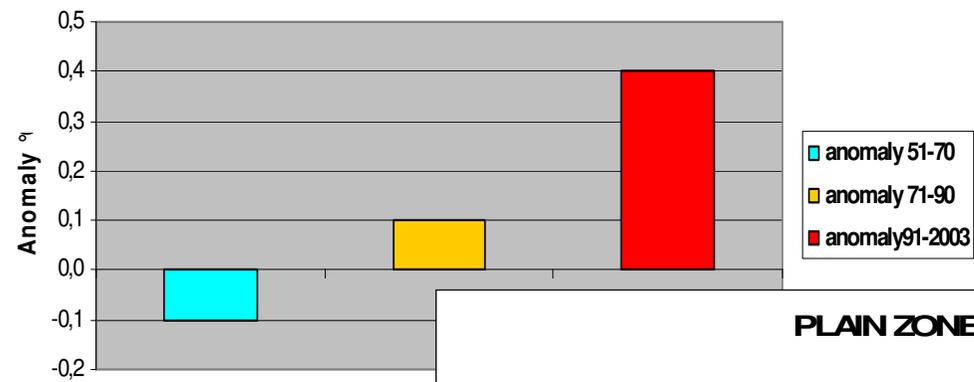


# YEARLY MEAN TEMPERATURES ANOMALIES

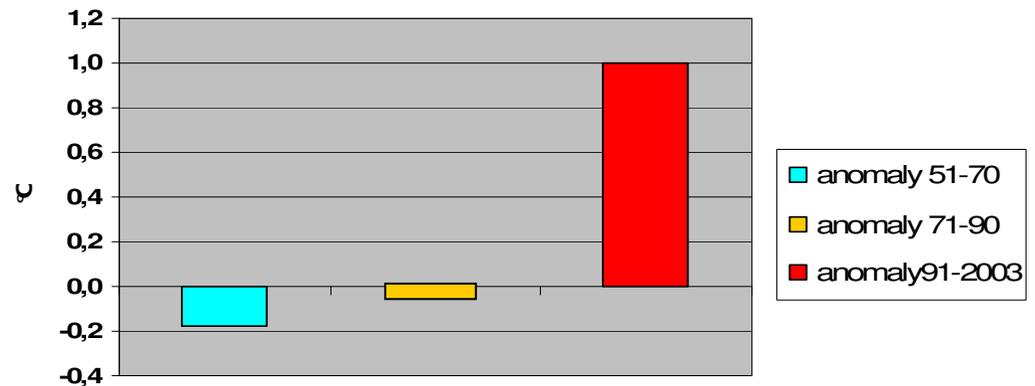
ALPINE ZONE (Lago Venina)



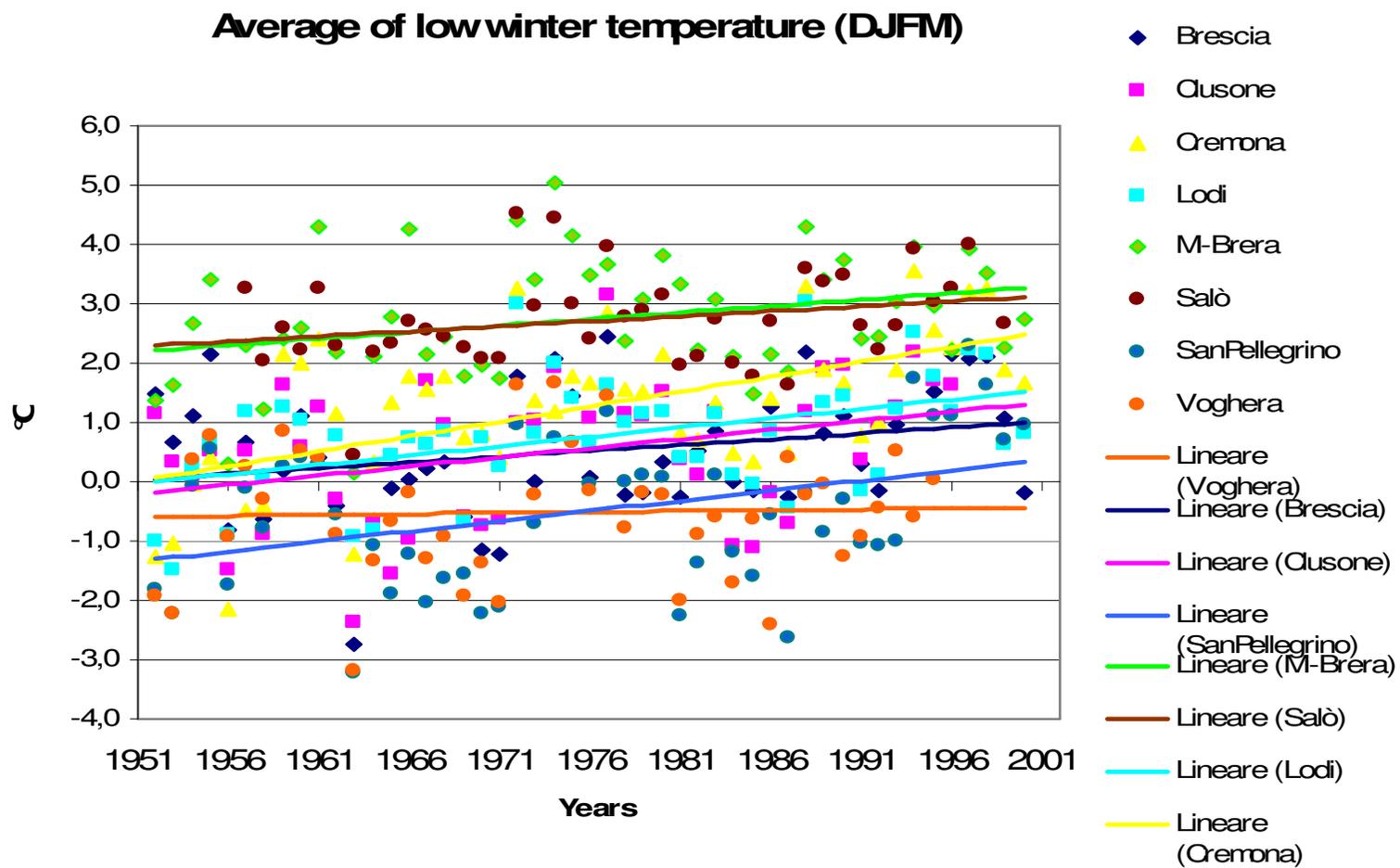
PRE-ALPINE ZONE (San Pellegrino)



PLAIN ZONE (Brescia)

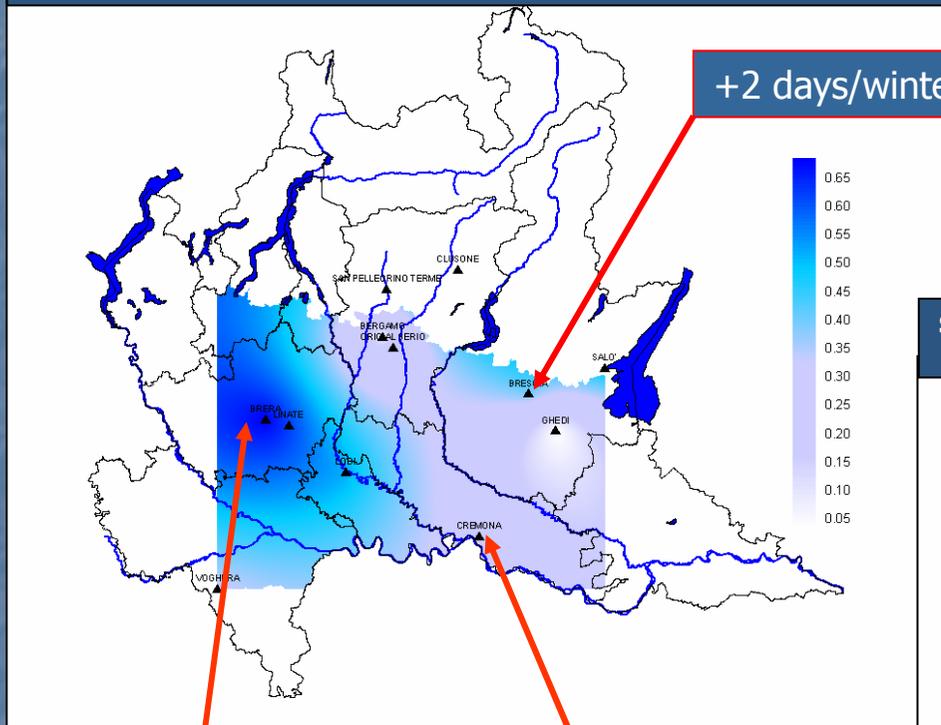


# LOW WINTER TEMPERATURES



# NUMBER OF FROSTY DAYS VARIATION

Standardized average anomalies of frosty days 1962-1970 in comparison to baseline 1961-1990

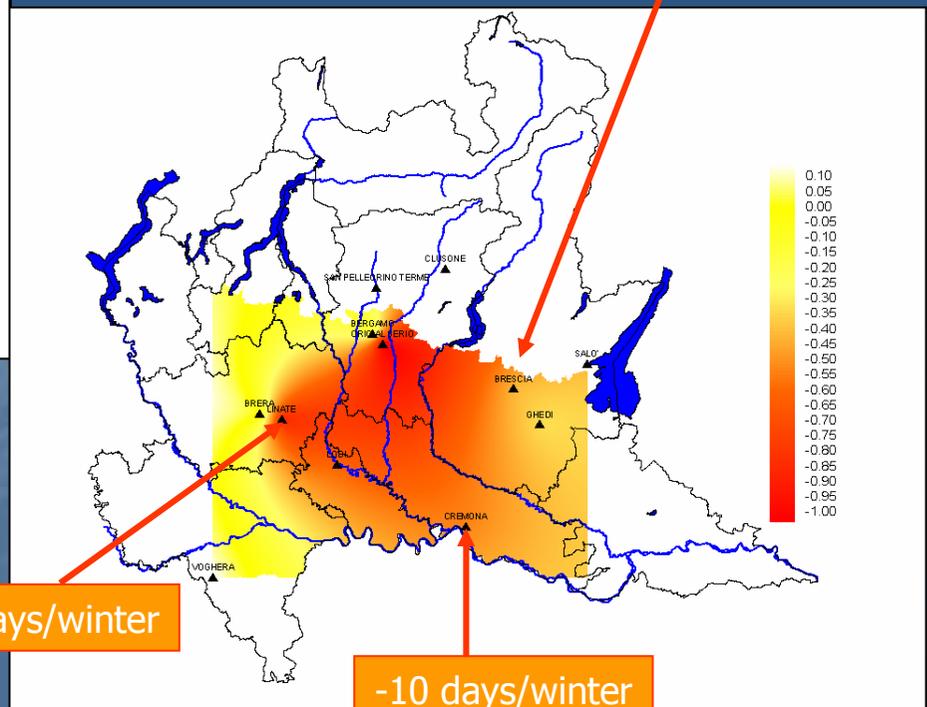


+12 days/winter

+2 days/winter

+5 days/winter

Standardized average anomalies of frosty days 1988-1996 in comparison to baseline 1961-1990



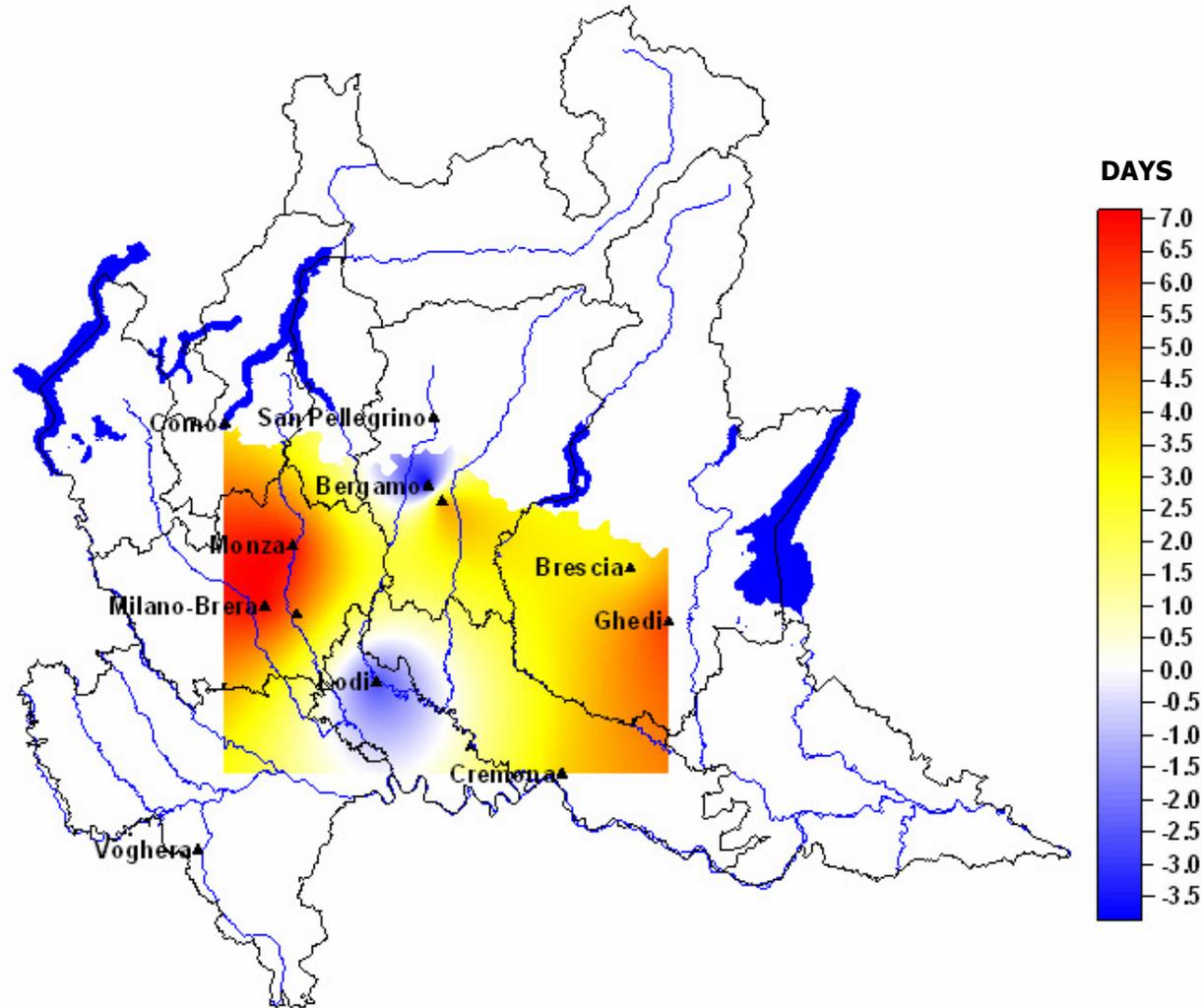
-16 days/winter

-12 days/winter

-10 days/winter

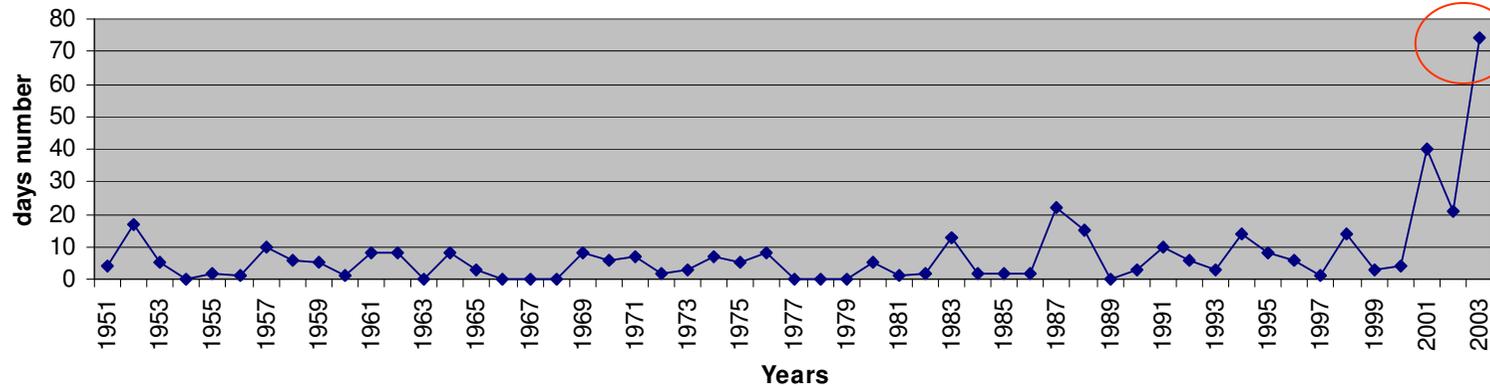
# TROPICAL TEMPERATURE DAYS

Tropical temperature ( $T \geq 33^\circ\text{C}$ ) increase 1951-1979 VS 1980-2003



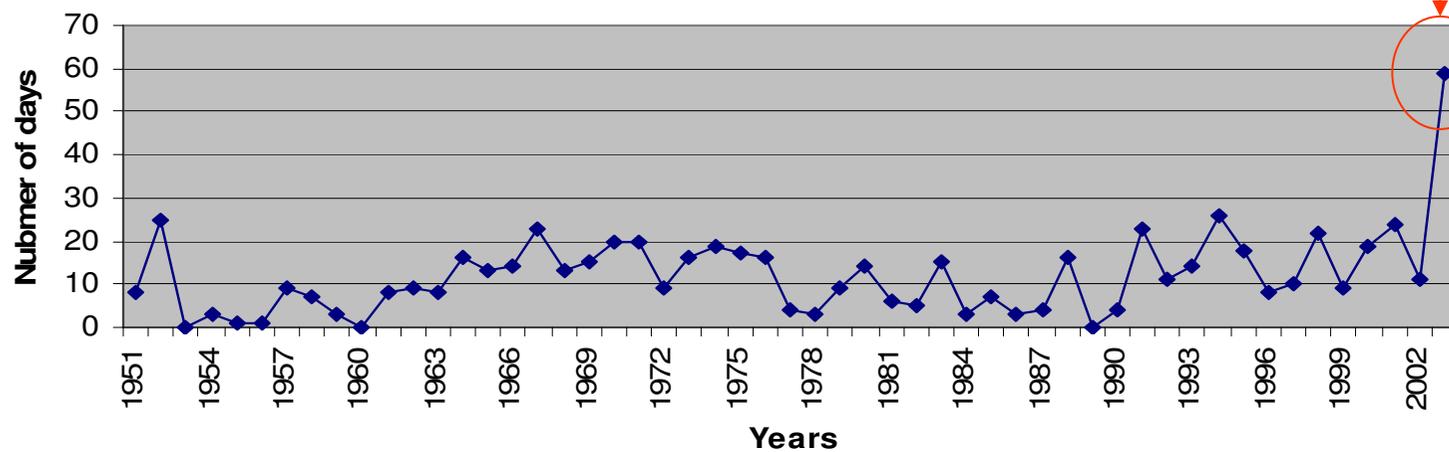
# TROPICAL TEMPERATURE DAYS

MilanoBrera-Tropical days



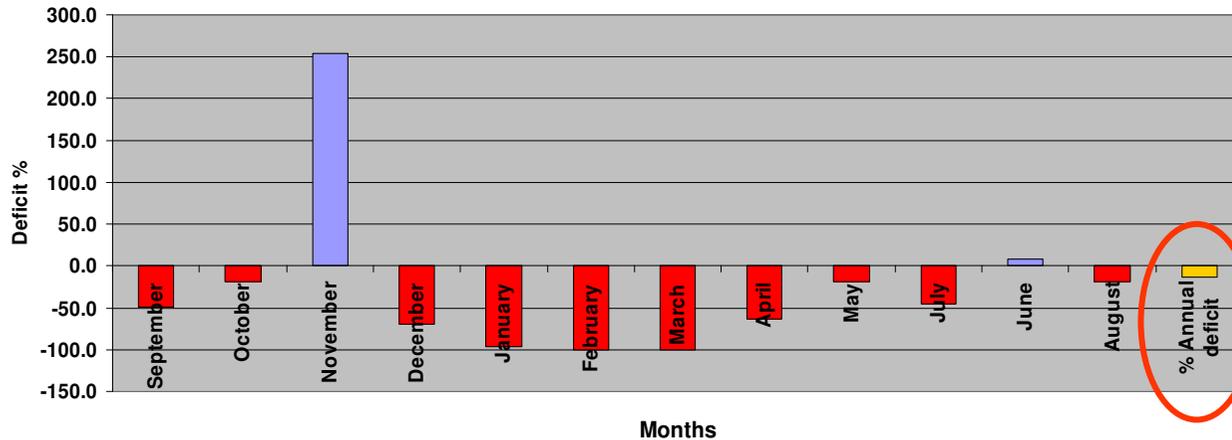
YEAR 2003

Brescia-Tropical days



# HYDROLOGICAL YEAR 2003: RAINFALL DEFICIT

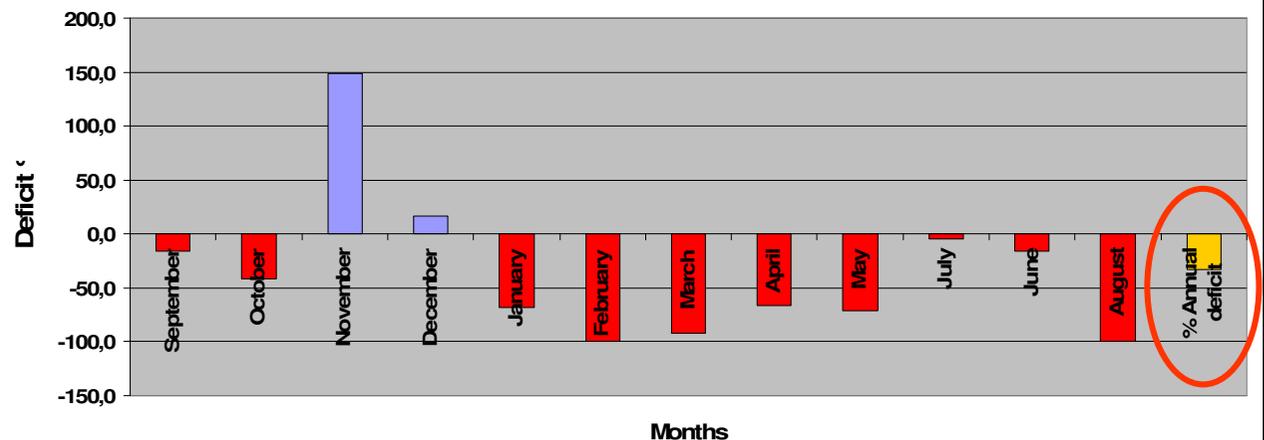
ALPINE ZONE Deficit %2003  
(Prese Frodolfo)



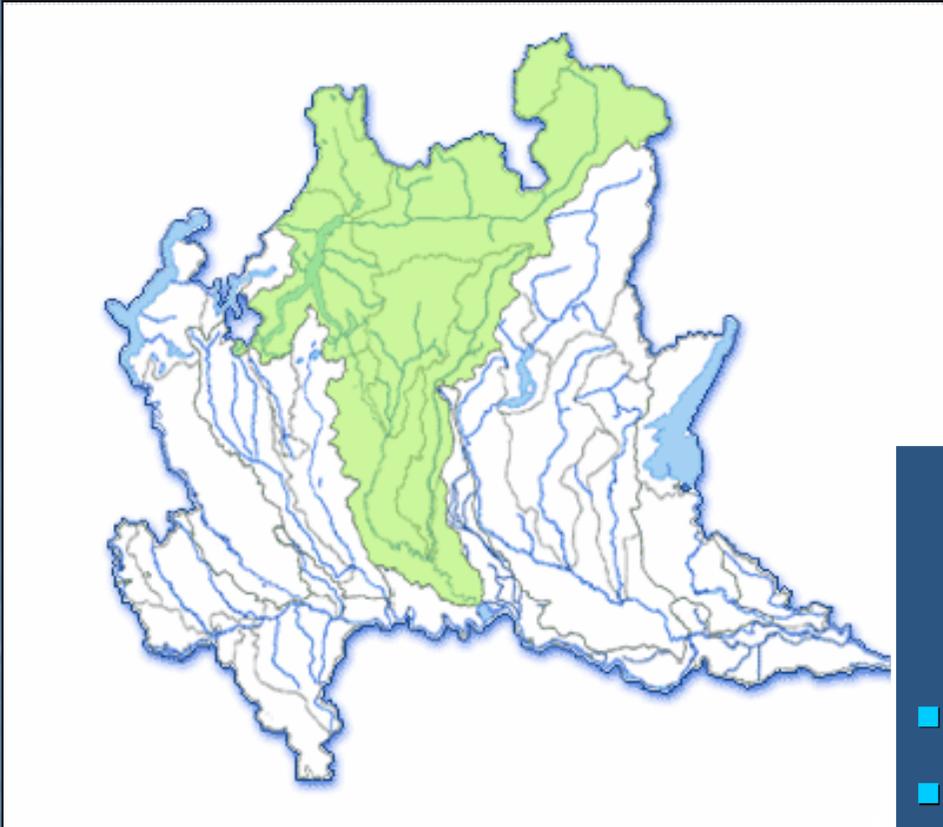
Alpine zone (Prese Frodolfo)	Baseline 1961-1990 (mm)	Year 2003 (mm)	deficit %2003
September (2002)	73,8	37,0	-49,9
October (2002)	58,4	47,4	-18,9
November (2002)	68,1	241,0	253,9
December (2002)	38,9	11,6	-70,1
January	38,2	1,4	-96,3
February	30,7	0,0	-100,0
March	34,4	0,0	-100,0
April	52,0	19,2	-63,1
May	88,4	72,0	-18,5
July	76,9	42,4	-44,9
June	80,5	87,2	8,3
August	94,0	76,4	-18,7
Annual total	734,3	635,6	-13,4
%Annual deficit			-13,4

Plain zone (Lodi)	Baseline 1961-1990 (mm)	Year 2003 (mm)	deficit % 2003
September (2002)	57,3	48,0	-16,2
October (2002)	93,3	54,5	-41,6
November (2002)	81,9	203,5	148,4
December (2002)	54,0	62,7	16,2
January	57,2	18,0	-68,5
February	57,8	0,0	-100,0
March	66,1	5,5	-91,7
April	71,3	24,0	-66,3
May	76,4	22,0	-71,2
July	58,5	56,0	-4,2
June	49,3	41,5	-15,8
August	78,3	0,6	-99,2
Annual total	801,3	536,3	-33,1
%Annual deficit			-33,1

PLAIN ZONE Deficit%2003  
(Lodi)



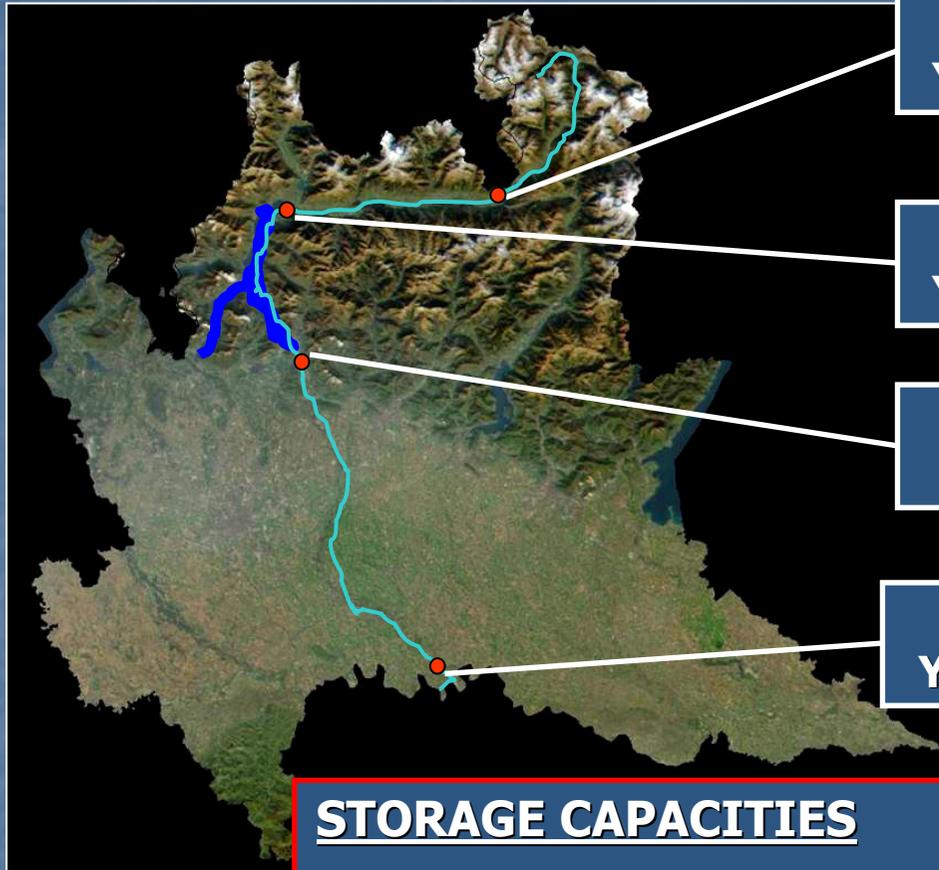
# ADDA RIVER BASIN



## MAIN CHARACTERISTICS

- SURFACE DRAINED: 7.927 kmq
- RIVER LENGHT: 313 km
- ALTITUDE RANGE:
  - Sources of Adda: 2.237 m asl
  - Mean lake Como elevation: 198 m asl
  - Join with Po river: 36 m asl

# ADDA RIVER BASIN



**TIRANO (441 m asl)**  
Year average discharge : 26,75 m<sup>3</sup>/s

**FUENTES (198 m asl)**  
Year average discharge: 88,0 m<sup>3</sup>/s

**MALGRATE (198 m asl)**  
Year average discharge: 158,2 m<sup>3</sup>/s

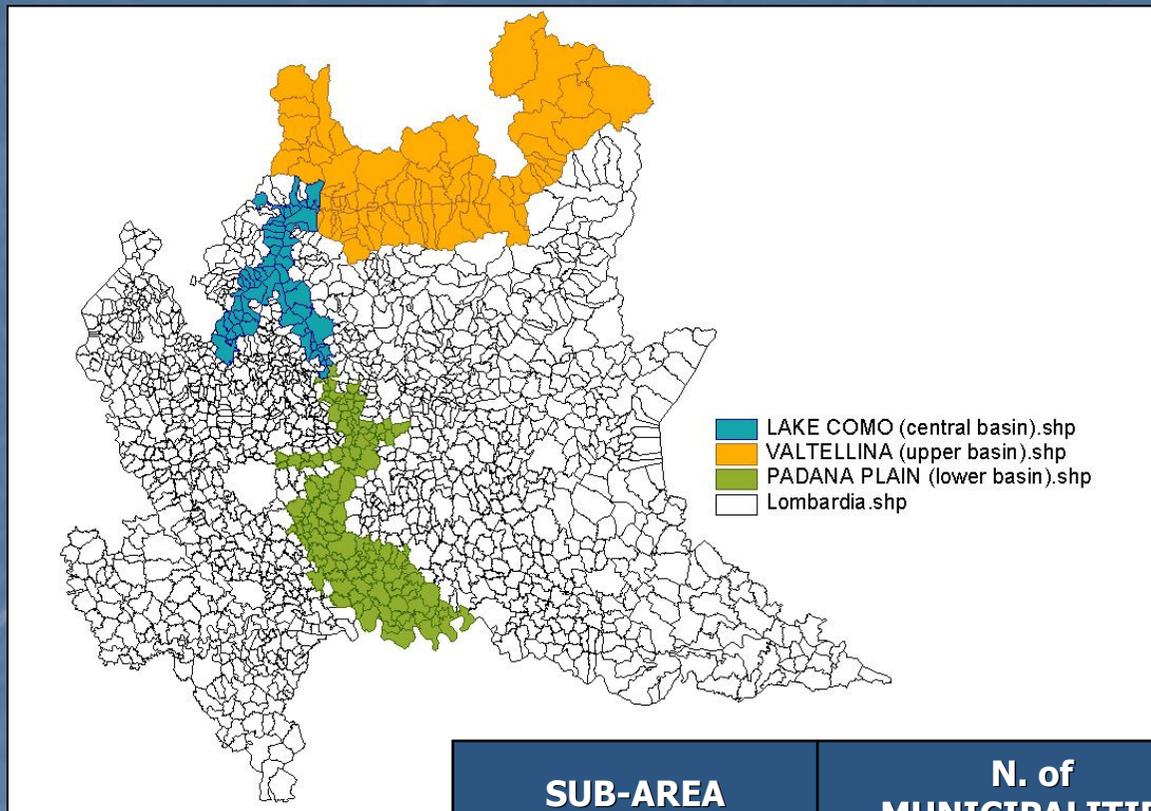
**JOIN WITH PO RIVER (36 m asl)**  
Year average discharge: 287,72 m<sup>3</sup>/s

## STORAGE CAPACITIES

- **LAKE COMO**
  - Absolute capacity: 22.500 Mmc
  - Regulation (available) capacity: 254,3 Mmc
- **HYDROELECTRIC RESERVOIRS:**
  - 27 reservoirs (44 power stations): 515 Mmc

**SOURCE:**  
PTUA Lombardy, 2003.

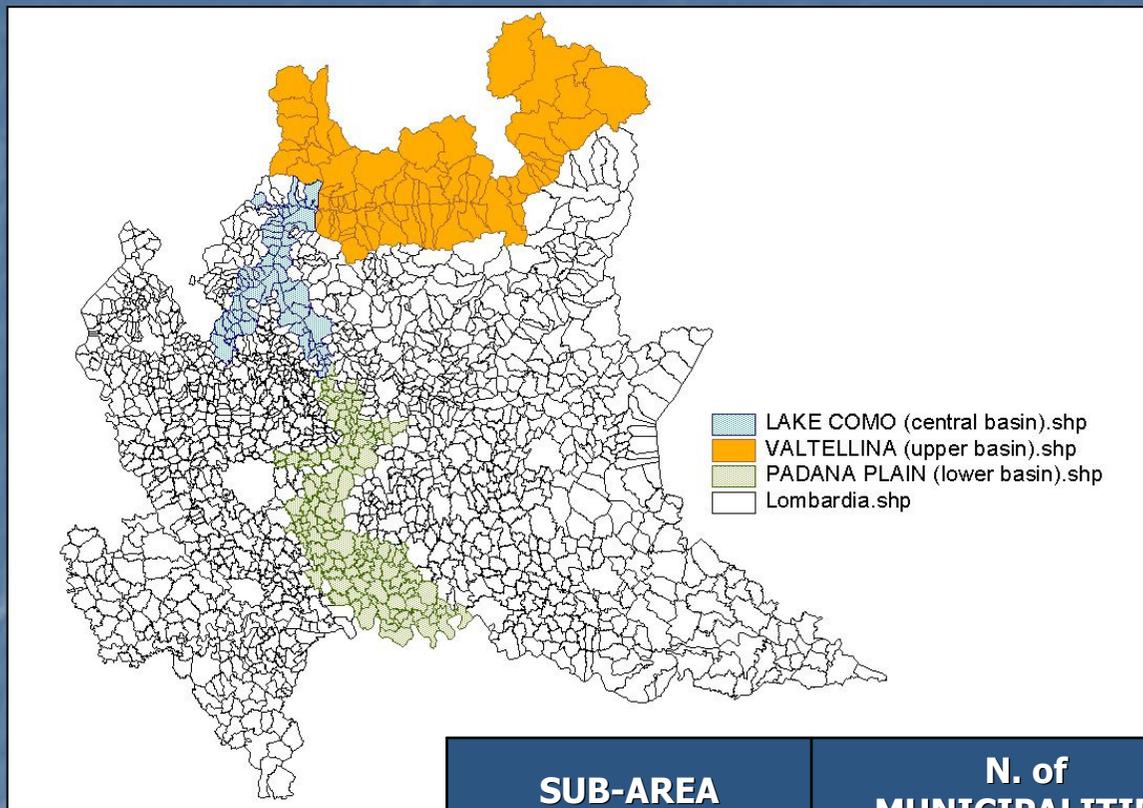
# SOCIO-ECONOMIC ANALYSIS – STUDY AREA



SUB-AREA	N. of MUNICIPALITIES	POPULATION	DENSITY (ab/Km <sup>2</sup> )
VALTELLINA (UPPER BASIN)	78	174.116	112
LAKE COMO (CENTRAL BASIN)	57	267.344	382
PADANA PLAIN (LOWER BASIN)	125	658.998	589
<b>OVERALL</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>1.100.458</b>	<b>361</b>

SOURCE: ISTAT, 2003.

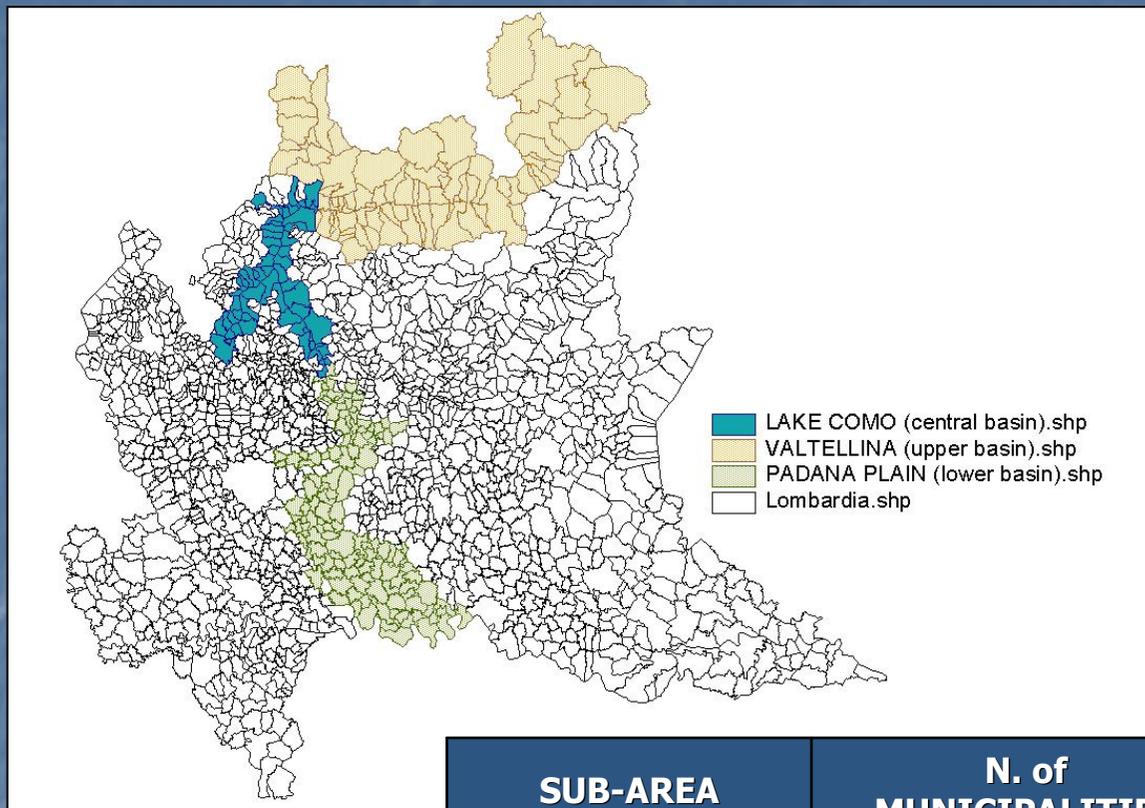
# SOCIO-ECONOMIC ANALYSIS – STUDY AREA



SUB-AREA	N. of MUNICIPALITIES	POPULATION	DENSITY (ab/Km <sup>2</sup> )
VALTELLINA (UPPER BASIN)	78	174.116	112
LAKE COMO (CENTRAL BASIN)	57	267.344	382
PADANA PLAIN (LOWER BASIN)	125	658.998	589
<b>OVERALL</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>1.100.458</b>	<b>361</b>

SOURCE: ISTAT, 2003.

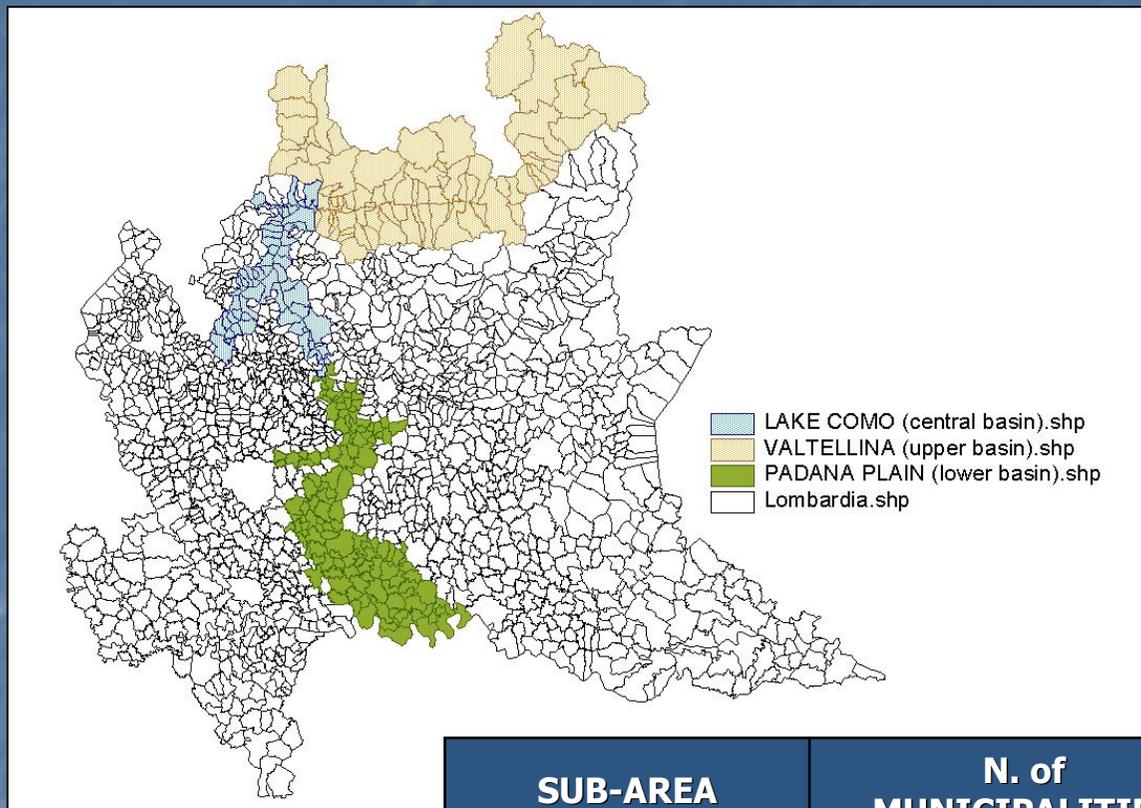
# SOCIO-ECONOMIC ANALYSIS – STUDY AREA



SUB-AREA	N. of MUNICIPALITIES	POPULATION	DENSITY (ab/Km <sup>2</sup> )
VALTELLINA (UPPER BASIN)	78	174.116	112
LAKE COMO (CENTRAL BASIN)	57	267.344	382
PADANA PLAIN (LOWER BASIN)	125	658.998	589
<b>OVERALL</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>1.100.458</b>	<b>361</b>

SOURCE: ISTAT, 2003.

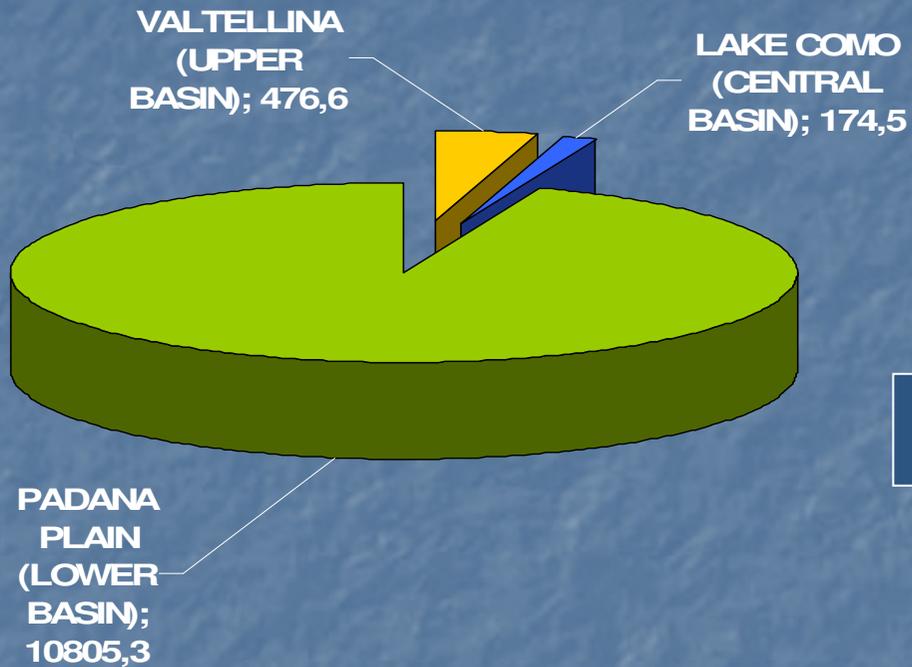
# SOCIO-ECONOMIC ANALYSIS – STUDY AREA



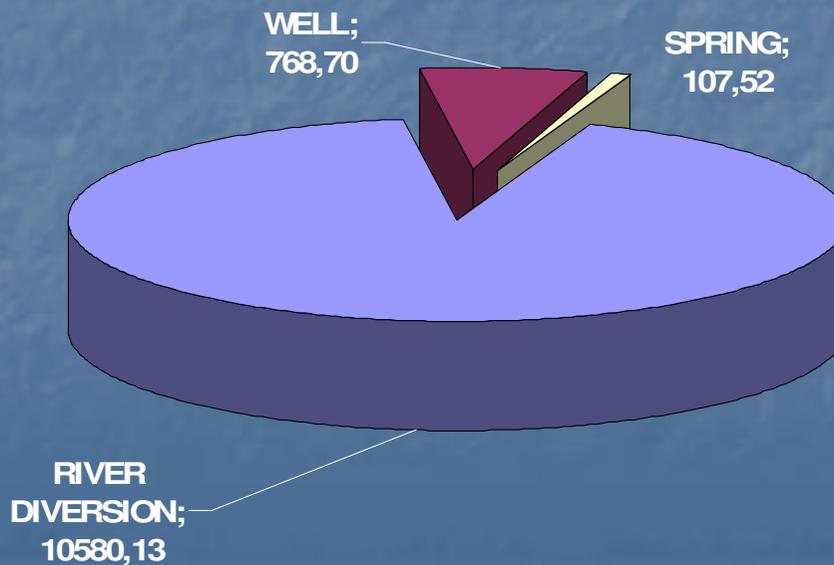
SUB-AREA	N. of MUNICIPALITIES	POPULATION	DENSITY (ab/Km <sup>2</sup> )
VALTELLINA (UPPER BASIN)	78	174.116	112
LAKE COMO (CENTRAL BASIN)	57	267.344	382
PADANA PLAIN (LOWER BASIN)	125	658.998	589
<b>OVERALL</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>1.100.458</b>	<b>361</b>

SOURCE: ISTAT, 2003.

**OVERALL SUB-AREAS WATER CONSUMPTION**  
**(Mmc/yr WATER RIGHTS)**



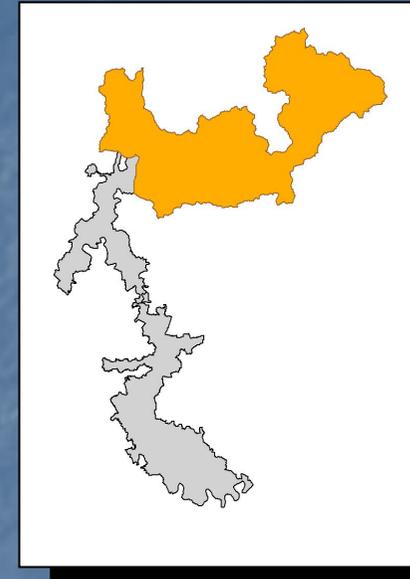
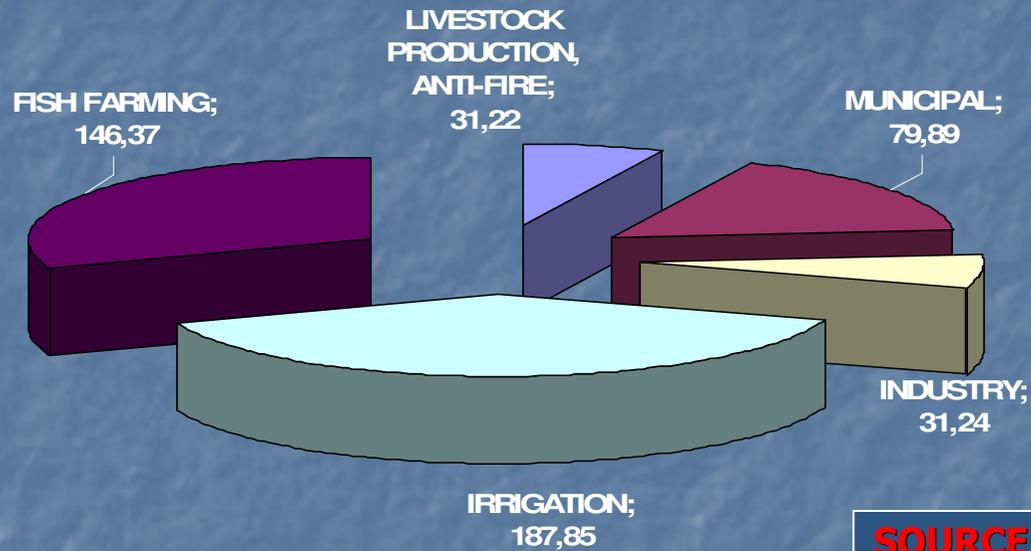
**OVERALL SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY**  
**(Mmc/yr WATER RIGHTS)**



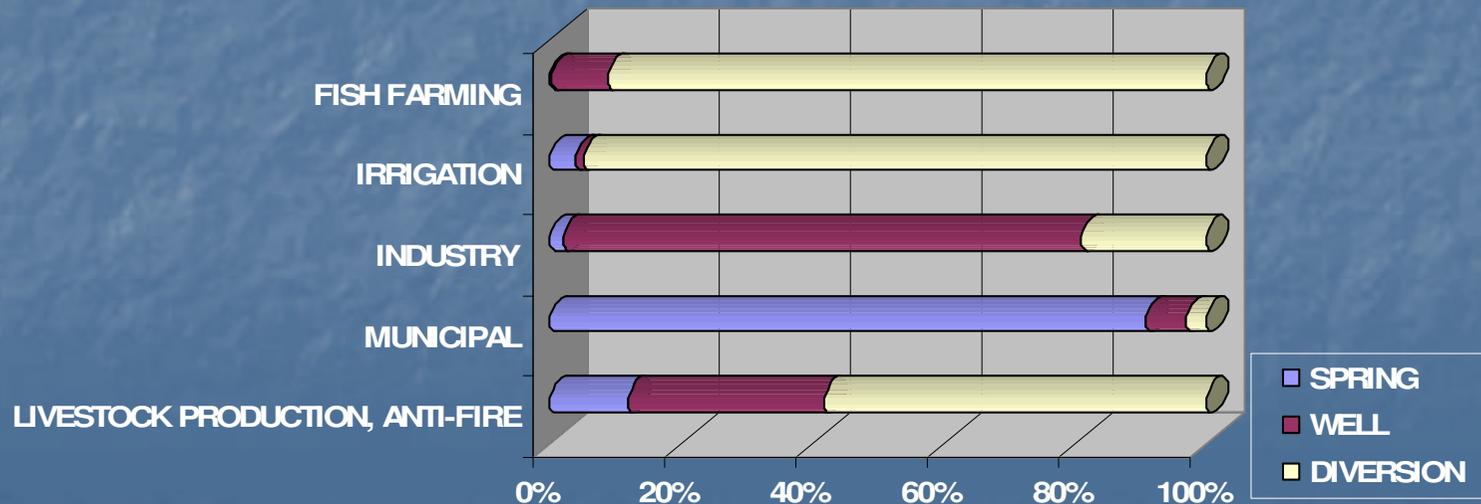
SOURCE: CUI Lombardy, 2003.

# VALTELLINA (UPPER BASIN)

## WATER CONSUMPTION (Mmc/yr WATER RIGHTS)



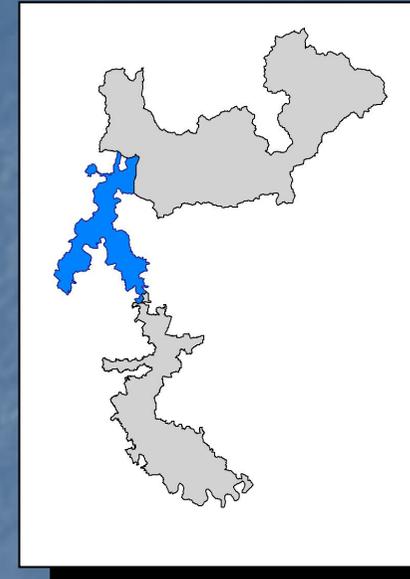
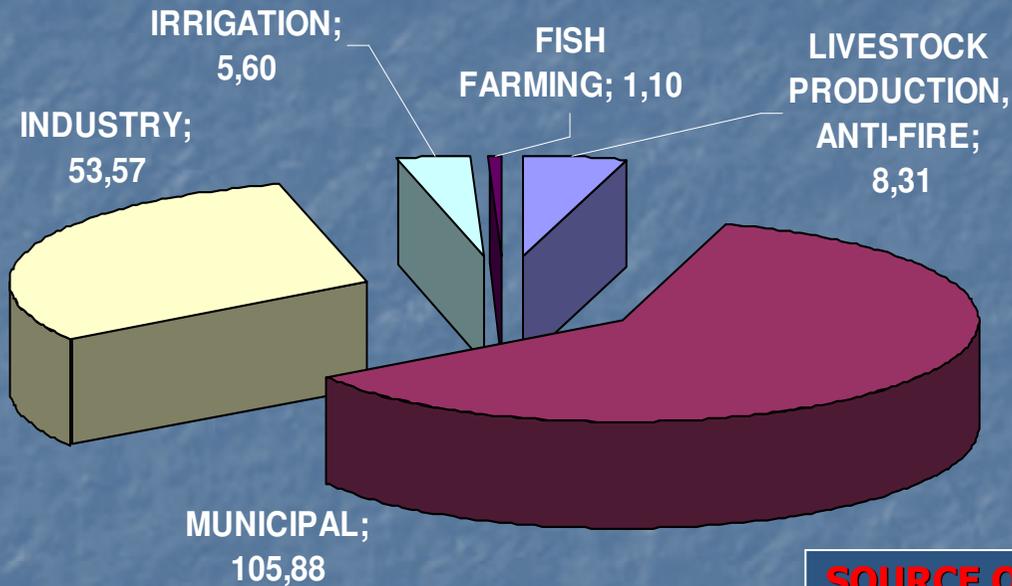
## SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY (% WATER RIGHTS)



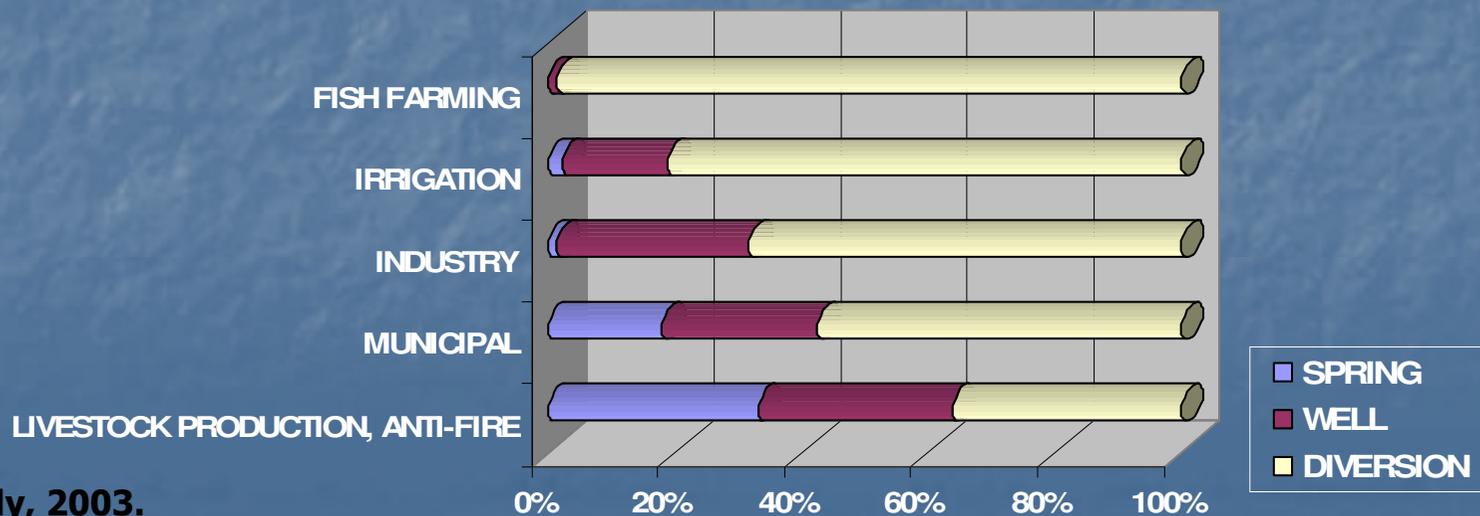
SOURCE: CUI Lombardy, 2003.

# LAKE COMO (CENTRAL BASIN)

## WATER CONSUMPTION (Mmc/yr WATER RIGHTS)



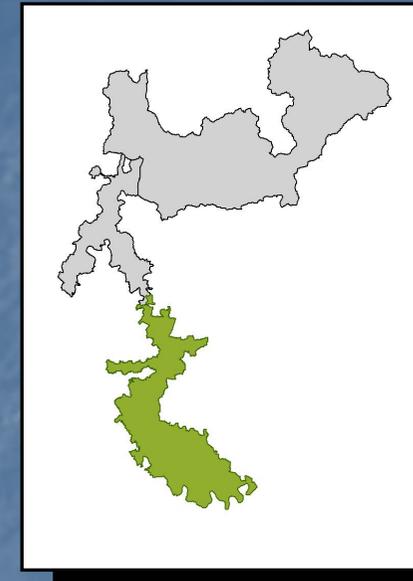
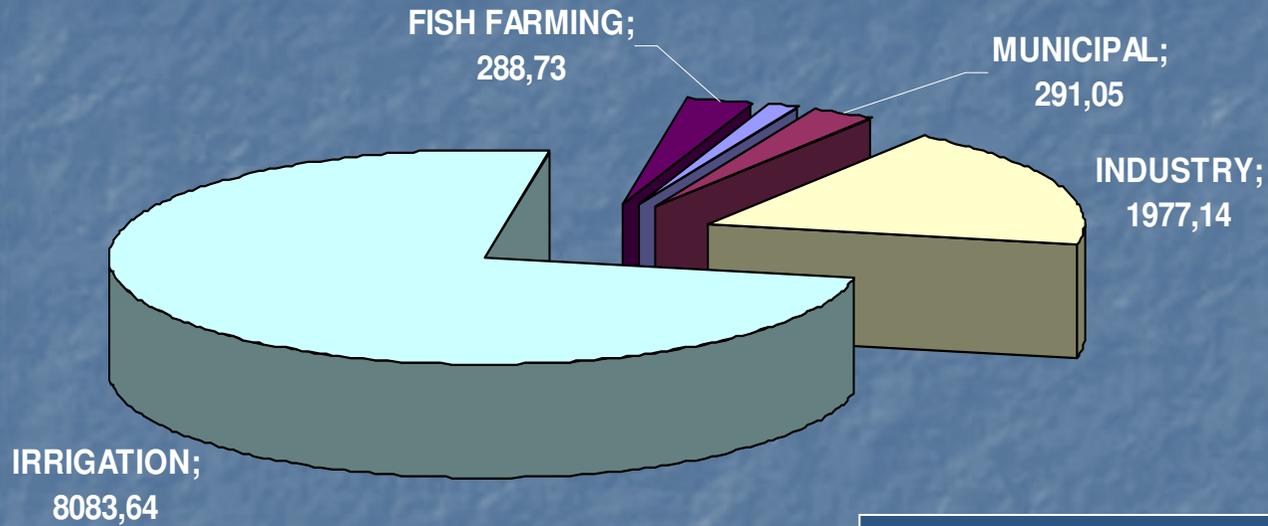
## SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY (% WATER RIGHTS)



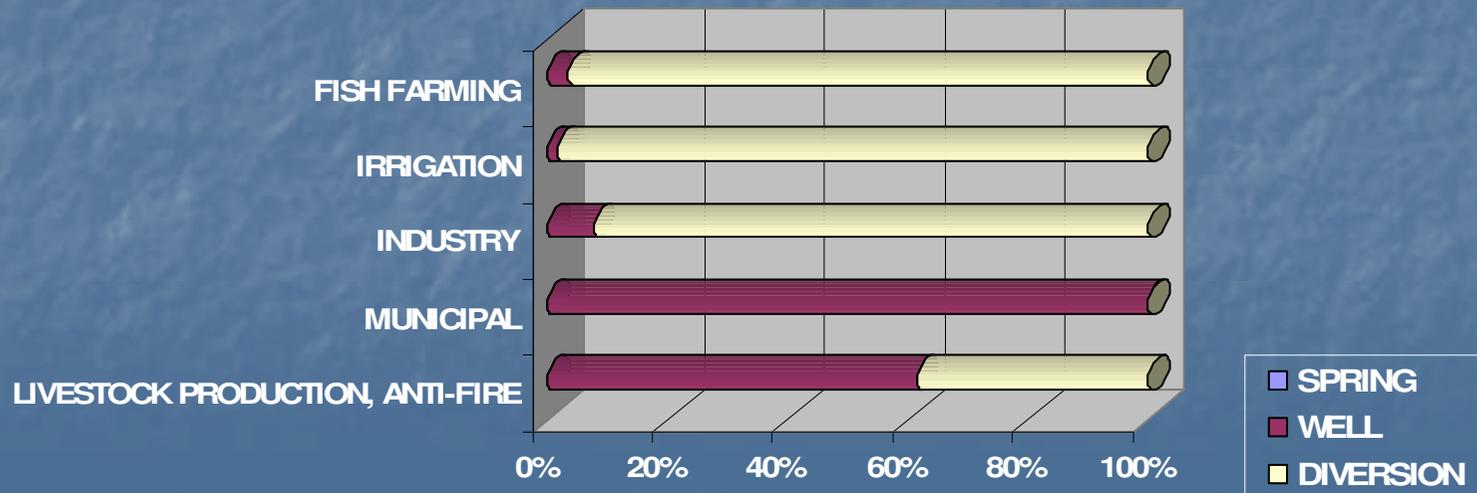
SOURCE: CUI Lombardy, 2003.

# PADANA PLAIN (LOWER BASIN)

## WATER CONSUMPTION (Mmc/yr WATER RIGHTS)



## SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY (% WATER RIGHTS)



SOURCE: CUI Lombardy, 2003.

# CLIMATE CHANGE AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC SYSTEM

## **STRONG INTER-CONNECTION BETWEEN NATURAL CYCLES AND HUMAN ACTIVITIES**

- CLIMATE CHANGE: INFLUENCE ON WATER RESOURCES DISTRIBUTION (STOCKS/FLOWS)
- SOCIO-ECONOMIC SYSTEM: INFLUENCE OF COMPETING WATER USERS ON WATER BALANCES



- HIGH STRESS ON WATER RESOURCES UNDER CURRENT CONDITIONS
- HIGH SENSITIVITY OF THE SOCIO-ECONOMIC SYSTEM TO VARIATIONS ON WATER INPUTS

# CLIMATE CHANGE AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC SYSTEM

**CAUSE – EFFECT QUANTITATIVE CORRELATION**

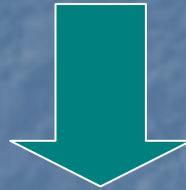
**ASSESSMENT OF THE QUANTITATIVE INTERDEPENDENCE  
BETWEEN PHYSICAL CAUSES AND ECONOMIC EFFECTS**

# QUANTITATIVE CAUSE-EFFECT CORRELATION

## PHYSICAL ANALYSIS

1<sup>st</sup> step: Identification of the physical causes;

2<sup>nd</sup> step: Determination of the physical effects.



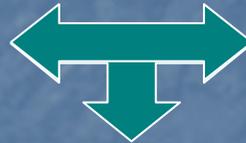
## SOCIO-ECONOMIC ANALYSIS

3<sup>rd</sup> step: Evaluation of the main features and the most relevant socio-economic drivers;

4<sup>th</sup> step: Assessment and evaluation of the economic consequences (i.e. competition and damages).

# QUANTITATIVE CAUSE-EFFECT CORRELATION

PHYSICAL ANALYSIS



SOCIO-ECONOMIC ANALYSIS

OVERLAY OF THEMATIC LAYERS AND  
DATABASE USING GIS TECHNIQUES



**IDENTIFICATION OF  
POTENTIAL DROUGHT SCENARIOS**



**EVALUATION OF THE ECONOMIC EFFECTS  
GENERATED FROM THE PHYSICAL IMPACTS**

# PHYSICAL ANALYSIS

## 1. PHYSICAL CAUSES:

- Variation on General Atmospheric Circulation;
- Rise of temperature;
- Variation on pluviometric regimes;
- Increase of the frequency of extreme events.

## 2. PHYSICAL EFFECTS:

- Variations on water flows (rivers) and water stocks (lakes, reservoirs);
- Effects on snow and ice accumulation/melt;
- Effects on groundwater recharge;
  
- Effects on the overall water demand;
- Shifts in demand peaks.

*“SUPPLY SIDE”*

*“DEMAND SIDE”*

# SOCIO-ECONOMIC ANALYSIS

## 3. EVALUATION OF SOCIO-ECONOMIC MAIN FEATURES

- Collection and critical analysis of statistical data about population dynamics and economic sectors;
- Identification of the most sensible socio-economic frames and communities on the territory;
- Comprehension and analysis of (local and/or remote) socio-economic interrelationships between the areas exposed with other areas.

# SOCIO-ECONOMIC ANALYSIS

## 4. ASSESSMENT AND QUANTIFICATION OF SOCIO-ECONOMIC EFFECTS



### **DIRECT EFFECTS**

PRIMARY CONSEQUENCES OF  
WATER SHORTAGE ON THE  
SOCIO-ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES

### **INDIRECT EFFECTS**

SECONDARY EFFECTS  
(LONG-TERM) OF WATER  
RESOURCES SCARCITY ON  
THE SOCIO-ECONOMIC SYSTEM

# YEAR 2003 – DIRECT EFFECTS OBSERVED

## SOME DIRECT EFFECTS OF WATER SHORTAGE ON:

- AGRICULTURE: crop losses, damage to crop quality;
- TOURISM: reduction in recreational uses (e.g.: navigation, bathing) on Lake Como;
- POWER GENERATION: change in hydropower potential through the year, altered potential for run-of-river power;
- PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY: reduction in availability of summer municipal water, increase of water demand.

# PROJECT RICLIC–WARM AGENDA

PROJECT KICK-OFF: SEPTEMBER 2005, DURATION 3 YEARS.

## 1st YEAR OF ACTIVITIES:

- Collection and geocoding of past physical data by every single Work Package.

## 2nd YEAR OF ACTIVITIES:

- Analysis and modeling of the data collected, integration on a multi-disciplinary level, creation of future scenarios and forecasting;
- Collection and critical analysis of the socio-economic system.

## 3rd YEAR OF ACTIVITIES:

- Assessment and quantification of socio-economic direct and indirect effects;
- Creation, management and constant update of a scientific multi-disciplinary database;
- Supplying of decision-making instruments for watershed management.

# TAKE HOME MESSAGE

PAST SCENARIOS



FORECASTING

modeling

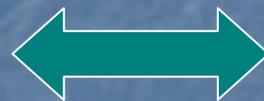
CAUSE



EFFECT

quantitative correlation

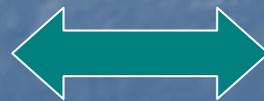
WATER DEMAND



WATER SUPPLY

scarcity

TECHNICAL  
SCIENCES



ECONOMICS

exchange of knowledge

## PROJECT RICLIC – WARM

Regional Impact of CLImatic Change in Lombardy WAter Resources:  
Modelling and applications.

# THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

### CONTACTS

Andrea Rossetti (1): [rossetti.andrea@unimib.it](mailto:rossetti.andrea@unimib.it)

Matteo Lacavalla (2): [matteo.lacavalla@unimib.it](mailto:matteo.lacavalla@unimib.it)

Marta Brambilla (1): [marta.brambilla1@unimi.it](mailto:marta.brambilla1@unimi.it)

Alessia Rossetti (2): [alessia.rossetti@gmail.com](mailto:alessia.rossetti@gmail.com)

Paolo Giacomelli (1): [paolo.giacomelli@unimi.it](mailto:paolo.giacomelli@unimi.it)

Valter Maggi (2): [valter.maggi@unimib.it](mailto:valter.maggi@unimib.it)

. (1) DEPAAA – Agriculture, Food and Environmental Economics and Policy Dept., University of Milan.

. (2) DISAT – Environmental Sciences Dept., University of Milan-Bicocca