

STATES GENERAL OF THE GREEN ECONOMY

The new challenges for Italian companies in the ecological transition
High costs of energy, raw materials, and climate crisis

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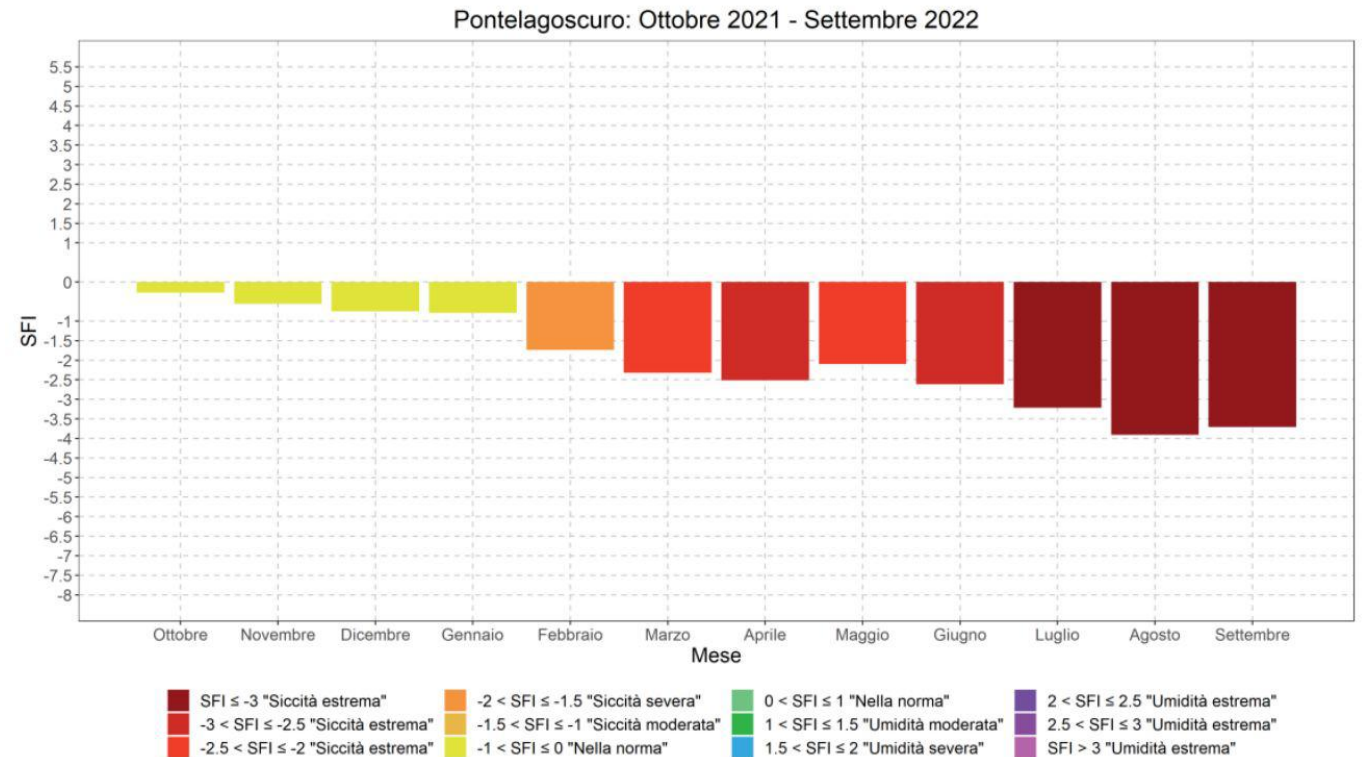
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Hydrological year 2021-2022

The Hydrological year 2021-2022 has been characterized by rainfall much lower than the climatic values, negligible snowpack, and temperature values generally higher than typical ones.

The flow rate values remained lower than the typical ones for the year, with values even lower than the minimum ones for many days.

Standardized Flow Index



Average monthly flow observed with a return period of 50 years

Hydrological Year 2021-2022

Due to this meteorological and hydrological situation, **the Permanent Observatory on water uses in the Po River Basin District met 16 times**

Water Severity Scenario



Water Severity Scenario defined by **Permanent Observatory on water uses in the Po River Basin District**

Permanent Observatory on water uses in the Po River Basin District

• Febbraio

• Marzo

• Aprile

• Maggio

• Giugno

• Luglio

• Agosto

• Settembre

• Ottobre

Main criticalities

Agriculture difficulties mainly before the harvest of some species
(drought, water scarcity and irrigation problems)

Environmental problems: respect of ecological flow in Po river and its
tributaries

Saline intrusion phenomena in Delta Po River very huge (From 25 tu 40
Km)

Dangerous situation concerning groundwater quality and quantity

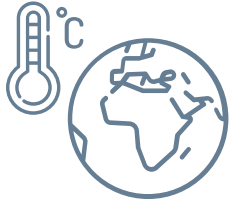
Critical situation in energy power plants (Hydro and cooling system in
gas natural plants)

Very few problems in drinking water supply.

What are the most urgent interventions in the Po basin?



Governance at the District level



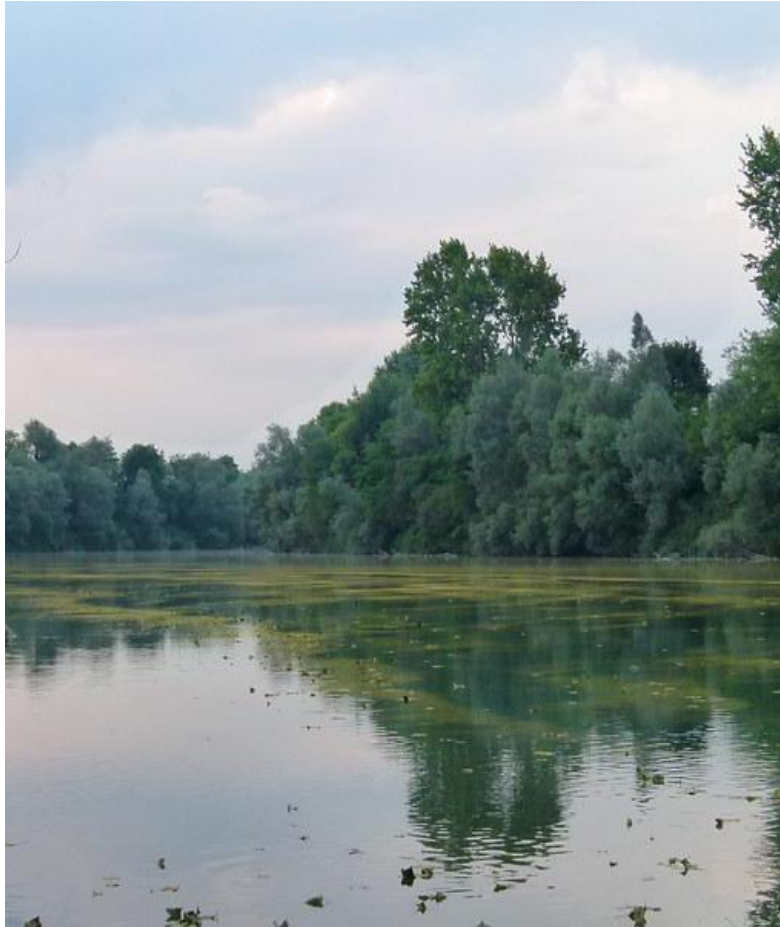
Climate Change Adaptation (we do not have a National Adaptation Plan approved and we don not a law on Climate change)



Infrastructures: (we need different kind of infrastructures based on specific territorial demands)

- Nature-Based Solutions (NBS)
 - Irrigation ponds (Piano Laghetti)
 - Reservoirs
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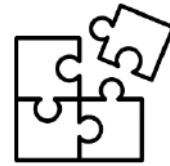
Hydraulic–morphological interventions:

- Reduction of the artificial riverbed, alongside the adjustment of navigation groynes and the decommissioning/ modification of defense works;
- Restoration and re-opening of oxbow lakes, abandoned branches and opening new fluvial branches

Environmental – naturalistic interventions:

- Requalification of oxbow lakes and of abandoned branches;
 - Reforestation;
 - Control of invasive alien species
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56 Project areas



Total amount by 2026: 357 000 000 €