

The area to the immediate south of Milan has always been predominantly agricultural, tending to constitute a cutting edge in this sector since as long ago as the late Middle Ages. Agriculture has managed to keep its roots alive here, as well as an organic relationship – both social and economic – with the area and its population. This means that the specific nature and history of the Pieve Emanuele area give it all the potential and the right conditions to host an advanced university campus: the fallout of functions and activities of a rural society generated by the university are expected to benefit the local economy. The scenario is related to a proposal to strengthen the local urban and regional public transport network, with a special focus on the railway, with the SFR and SFS system.

The plan currently being studied provides for the establishment of a scientific and technological park, to house a variety of activities and centering around the creation of a university campus. The aim is not to build a mega-campus, but a center of excellence, including a congress center, biological, agricultural and environmental research laboratories, lecture theatres and facilities for research in the agro-alimentary area (contributing to really safeguarding the environment and landscape and to restoring the local historical architectural heritage), as well as such additional functions as residences for students, lecturers and visitors. The structures of the scientific and technological park will enable targeted coordinated projects to be developed between universities, research centers and local entrepreneurs, for the purpose of disseminating the innovations generated on campus, transferring technology, supporting the competitive edge of local businesses and trading in environmentally friendly products. The plan also envisages the possibility of a high-level hospitality network, connected to the agricultural tourism system to the south of Milan and in the Pavia area.

WORK CARRIED OUT
environment study

PROGRAM
functional unities linked to railway station and bus station: linear shaped building for commercial and administration use.

PROJECT
SD Partners

Environmentally sound development pieve e. 2004-2010

PROJECT SITE
Pieve Emanuele, Milan

CLIENT
SAI Agricola

COST
80.000.000,00 euros

GROSS FLOOR AREA
Pieve Emanuele

STATUS
built, 2004-2010

