

# VILLARD : 27

**MATESE PAESAGGI D'ACQUA. Architetture, flussi e interazioni tra Castello del Matese e Letino**

## Call for applications to participate in the seminar

### about villard

From 1999, Villard is an **architectural traveling seminar** happening each year that sees, in collaboration with other cultural institutions, selected Italians and foreign schools of architecture: universities of Alghero, Ascoli Piceno, Cagliari, Genoa, Mantova, Milan, Naples, Palermo, Paris, Patras, Pescara, Reggio Calabria, Rome, Torino, Venice and the engineering school in of Ancona. By a selection for excellence, **10 students of each university** will be admitted. The aim of the seminar is to design in a specific area proposed by public administrations.

For this reason the seminar is strictly related to the complexity of each specific territory. The design area is presented at the beginning of the seminar. Participants can work on the design area during the year, developing their projects step by step through the seminar meeting. **Travel** is the most important activity of the seminar, a tool to understand cities. Professors of each university will organise for the seminar several activities related to the workshop, such as, lectures, conferences, guided tours and exhibitions. Every **seminar meeting** will last 3-4 days. Students should develop their project mainly during the workshop hours hosted in each university. The different location of the seminar allow the students to get involved with several cultural and physical realities, sharing **experiences and knowledge** coming from all the participating schools. The seminar ends with a final event: **an exhibition** of the students works and an awards ceremony, followed by a publication of a **catalogue** with students works alongside critical texts by participants.

**MATESE WATER LANDSCAPES** is the theme of Villard:27. The design experiment arrives in the depopulated inland areas to investigate issues related to living in villages and landscapes, starting from the multiple meanings of accessibility, community services, and adding value to the landscape, in dialogue with inhabitants, human as well as non-human. The field of the experimentation will be the two sides of the Matese Massif, in the Matese Regional Park, which is in the process of being converted into a national park, with a focus on the municipalities of Castello del Matese and Letino (CE), both of which are part of the SNAI Matese Pilot Project currently under implementation. The two villages are located on either side of the Campania slope of the Massif, featuring a network of partly underground waterways, natural and artificial water basins, and criss-crossed by historic footpaths. In their specific settlement historical features and in the changing scenarios of the present, the two areas express, as if in a metonymy, the essential characteristics of the "Matese Landscape": karstic nature, isolation, liminality, linked to a mythological dimension waiting to be rediscovered.

The work of Villard:27 is part of the broader framework of the PNRR Bando Borghi linea B project "Rigenerazione culturale e sociale dei borghi storici del Matese – Castello del Matese e Letino", in particular the Landscape Living Lab, conducted by a DiARC research group and aimed at identifying actions and projects useful for stemming the processes of marginalisation. The project hypothesis of the Seminar is to consider Castello del Matese and Letino as "gateways" to the "Matese Landscape" and hubs of a renewed network of services. The selected project areas border the historic centres of the two villages, identifying the premises for new accessibility systems and intercepting unprecedented "demands for urbanity" from permanent residents and temporary communities. The challenge for Villard:27 will be to use the project to reconstruct threads of meaning between the mythical past of Matese and contemporary ways of living, re-establishing an imaginary capable of producing visions of the future.

### how to apply

The selection process for Villard: 27 is open to students enrolled in the Corso di Laurea magistrale in Architectura and the Master's degree programme in Architecture, as well as those enrolled in the final year of Corso di laurea triennale in Architectura. A maximum of **10 students** will be selected. Participation in Villard is possible by an internal selection process at the university of affiliation. Any student interested in participating must submit a single document in PDF format by **1 p.m. on Friday 10 October 2025**, with numbered A3 landscape pages, containing in this order:

1. introduction stating: name, family name, serial number, email address, phone number, indication of the degree program in which you are currently enrolled, year of enrolment and for master degree students the degree obtained in the bachelor degree.
2. a design collection up to 10 pages; the names of the workshops or courses taken must be clearly stated particularly regarding design courses, as well as teacher's name and in the case of group work the names of colleagues.
3. CV (as in the web Spin) with the addition of an indication of the teachers and grades.
4. a brief motivational letter (max 1000 types) in which the reasons for participation must be explained.

\*the pdf must be sent only by mail to: **daniela.ruggeri@iuav.it** and **andrea.iorio@iuav.it**, indicating VILLARD:27 as the subject line of the email.

Participation in the seminar will earn 6 D credits.

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### Villard:27

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**27-29 novembre 2025 | Cagliari** a cura dell'Università degli Studi di Cagliari

**22-24 gennaio 2026 | Parigi** a cura dell'École Nationale Supérieure d'Architecture Paris-Malaquais  
**febbraio-marzo 2026 | Ascoli-Ancona** a cura dell'Università di Camerino e dell'Università Politecnica delle Marche

**7-9 maggio 2026 | Torino** a cura del Politecnico di Torino

**25-27 giugno 2026 | Napoli/Matese** a cura dell'Università degli Studi di Napoli Federico II

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