



# Valle del Ticino Italy

## Organization

Lipu – BirdLife Italy,  
Lombard Regional Park of the Ticino Valley

## Location

In the Po plain,  
North west of Italy, near Milan

## Description

- Mixed broadleaved forest of pedunculated oak, poplars, European hornbeam, alders, elderberry, elms, willows, maples, ash (hygrophilous, mesophilous, xerophilous woods)
- Intensively urbanised area (about 20 million people live in the Po plain)
- Close to Milan Malpensa airport



## Ecological values

- Key freshwater ecological corridor between Alps and Apennines
- The largest remaining fragments of forest in the Po plain
- Includes virtually all the biodiversity occurring in the Po plain
- more than 3250 animal species and 1000 plant species

## Threats

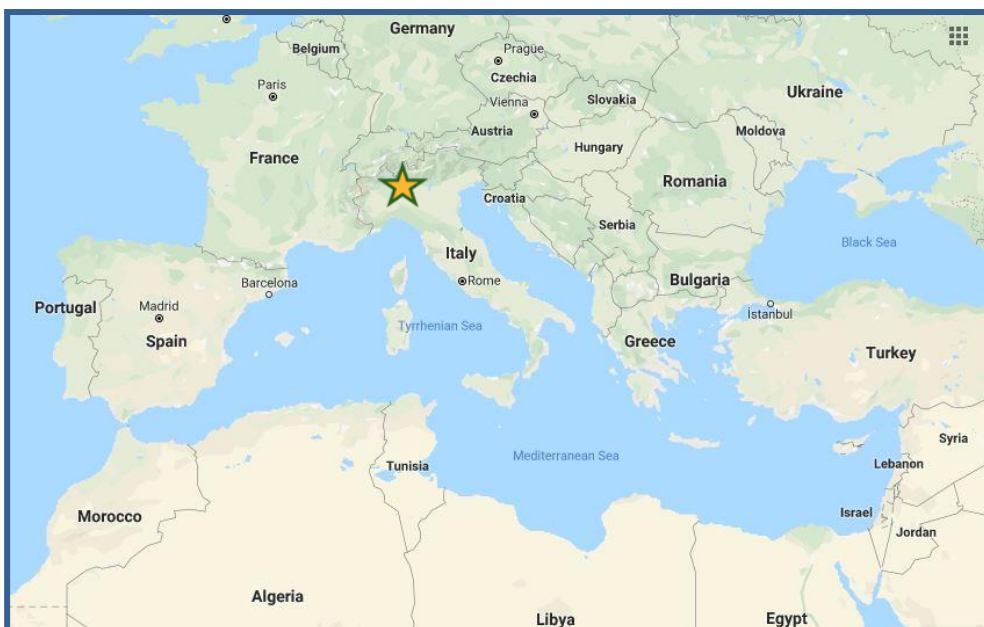
- Urbanisation/Infrastructures
- Alien species
- Air pollution
- Soil conversion

## Protection status & conservation actions

- Two regional parks (Lombardy, Piedmont).
- Nature park
- Man & Biosphere Reserve Ticino Valgrande Verbano
- 16 Natura 2000 sites

## Strengths of the site

- Good level of scientific knowledge and best practices
- Good example on re-establishing connectivity



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