

Augusto ZANELLA

Born in Tassullo (Trento – Italy) in 1957

Current position (since 2006): **Associate professor** by the University of Padua – Department TESAF (Territorio e Sistemi Agro-Forestali = Land and Agricultural-Forest Systems), Viale dell'Università 16 – 35020 Legnaro (Italy) - Email: [augusto.zanella@unipd.it](mailto:augusto.zanella@unipd.it) ; phone: +39 0498272755.

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Researcher by the same Department (1994-2006);



Current yearly teaching activity, with trainings and exams:

- in Italy, Dendrology and Forest botany, by the College of Agriculture of the University of Padua (120 hours ; 150 students);

- in France, Pedology, Soil ecology and General ecology, as Erasmus Teaching Staff or under contract, by the Universities of Paris VI, Paris XI and Paris XIII (120 hours, 180 students).

Number of scientific publications: 77. Subject area: Agricultural and Biological Sciences, Environmental Science. Complete list of publication (PDF): <http://intra.tesaf.unipd.it/people/zanella/humusica.html>; Scopus documents (2010-2014): 4; H-index: 3; leader of two research projects (50 000 and 400 000 euros);

#### EDUCATION

- Master's degree in "Scienze forestali", University of Padua (Italy) – 1983
- Military service in Italy - 1984
- Master's degree in "Langue et Civilisation françaises", Sorbonne University, Paris (France) – 1985
- Master's degree in "Ecologie Generale", University of Paris-Sud (France) – 1986
- Contract researcher by the University of Paris-Sud (1987-1994).  
Research topics: Forest typology, Forest phytosociology and Dendrology in Parisian region.  
Training: three years of by the International Centre of Phytosociology, Bailleul (France), with scholarships of the Reinhold-Tuxen Gesellschaften (Germany), Institut de Développement Forestier (France) and French Gouvernement. Performed works: Identification of the main ensembles of Atlantic coastal plant communities (as professor J. M. Géhu assistant); typology of the forests of the French Flanders region, in collaboration with the local Forest Services.
- PhD in "Ecologie Générale", University of Paris-Sud (France) - 1994

#### OTHER ACTIVITIES

Member of the Council of Ecology of the PhD School of Territory, Environment, Resources and Health (University of Padua, Italy; PhD thesis directed: 2;

Leader of two research projects (Humus forestali, 50 000 € and Dynamus, 400 000 €);

Member of the Training Commission of the department (more than 100 reports treated each year);

Member of the Scientific and Technical Council of the National Centre for the Forest Biodiversity Conservancy (Potenza, Italy);

Co-organizer of the Humus Cell of the International Union of Forest Research Organizations (IUFRO, Wien, Austria);

Member of the French Committee of Humus for the periodical review of the "Référentiel Pédologique Français";

Since 2015: Vice-chair of the Commission 4: Soil Classification, IUSS.

Since 2003, Entertainer of the Humus Group (more than 40 international members:

<http://intra.tesaf.unipd.it/people/zanella/hgroup.html> ).

Organizer of international workshop and meetings:

2015: Programmed Corso di Cultura in Ecologia in San Vito, June 3-5. Title: Ecologia del suolo e futuro,

mantenendo i piedi per terra; Soil ecology and future, keeping our feet on the ground:

<http://intra.tesaf.unipd.it/Sanvito/Corsocultura/corso2.asp> . Among the prestigious speakers: Maurizio Paoletti (Univ. of Padua) and Bjorn Berg (Univ. of Helsinki).

2009-2013. Five workshops of the commission Classification of the European Humus Group (AgroParisTech, Paris, France);

2008. Fifth meeting of the European Humus Group (Boku University, Wien, Austria);

2007. Fourth meeting of the European Humus Group (University of Cagliari, Italy);

2005. Third meeting of the European Humus Group (University of Padova, by the Laboratory of Ecology, San Vito di Cadore, Italy);

2004. Second meeting of the European Humus Group (BOKU, Wien, Austria);

2003. First meeting and origin of the European Humus Group (University of Padova, Center of Alpine Ecology, Trento, Italy);

1998. XXXV Corso di Cultura in Ecologia, Title: Forest typology, by the Laboratory of Ecology, San Vito di Cadore, Italy).

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#### Other activities in short

Member of the Council of Ecology of the PhD School of the University of Padua, Italy;

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Since 2003, Entertainer of the Humus Group (40 members).

Publications: 82 (Scopus 10); topics: soil functioning, humus forms classification, forest ecology