

**ALTA VAL BREMBANA BETWEEN PAST AND
FUTURE.
UNDERUSED HOLIDAY HOUSES AND SLOW TOURISM
AS A POSSIBLE STRATEGY FOR REPOPULATION.**

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Abstract.

Through the analysis of a case study, the paper intends to understand what are the effects of demographic processes on settlement structures and housing in the territories of the Inner Areas of Lombardy. In particular, the example of Alta Val Brembana is significant because, despite the strong depopulation and a high percentage of not occupied dwellings, the built heritage is not totally abandoned, but underutilized, with repercussions also on the general perception of the built space. Nowadays rethink this important inheritance of the past as a resource for territorial policies becomes fundamental. In the recent debate on the enhancement of cultural heritage for tourism purposes, in the end the document intends to develop some reflections on a possible strategy of networking of unused private dwellings, underlining how the increase in this productivity can become the trigger for the creation of new jobs, encouraging repopulation.

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