

# RIUSO E VALORIZZAZIONE DEL PATRIMONIO DELL'ELETTRICITÀ

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## ABSTRACT

In the late 19<sup>th</sup> century, the consolidation of electricity as a new form of energy led to – in a span of various decades – the creation of numerous industrial constructions destined to its production and supply.

Such heritage represents an interesting witness of the deep transformations affecting our territory, the landscape, our cities, the manufacturing and transportation sector, as well as society as a whole throughout the past century. Some of the architectural structures (mainly those involving the use of fossil fuels) have been demolished in full or in part. Others, vice versa, have undergone adaptive reuse operations that, though involving a mutation, have allowed continuation of their lives through new use.

This paper intends to focus on the analysis of certain recovery operations related to the production and supply of electrical energy recently performed in Italy and Spain. Denoted by a careful reuse of existing heritage, the operations aimed to promote reactivation and propose alternative functions.

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