Fig. 1: Pacsaggio

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## Press Release

Exhibition venues Uscita Pistoia - VIA MODENESE, 165 PISTOIA SpazioA - VIA AMATI 13, PISTOIA NextSpazioA - VIA AMATI 9, PISTOIA Mac,n - VILLA HENATICO MARTINI. VIA GRAGNANO, 349 MONBUMMANO (PT)

Talks venues MBC, n - VILLA RENATICO MARTINI. VIA GRAGNANO, 349 MONSUMMANO (FT) Villa La Magia, via vecchia figrentina i tronco, 63 guarrata (PT)

Fattoria di Celle - VIA MONTALESE, 7 - SANTOMATO (PT)

An autobiographical note of sorts, as a way of an introduction. We have been curating exhibitions together for almost four years, though never outside the programme developed for Nomas Foundation: the institution that we direct. This is the first show that we curate extra muros, so to to say.

Some of the ideas that started there, made their way in this project: the research on medium, on which we have been focusing for some time now, seems to have inevitably conducted us to reflect on art history's genres; the structure of a programming as opposed to the planning of an event, made us wish to think of this project as the first episode of a series; the habit to think of ourselves as one element of a large constellation of spaces, suggested us to disseminate the project involving different venues each contributing to give, with its own specificity, a new reading of the works as well as of the exhibition itself.

We thus start our new meditation - and journey - from landscape, since accepting to play within a set of given rules and limits, we can as well dare to begin from what might seem (in Tuscany, of all places), an obvious topos. Generes are seducing for the same reason for which artists in the Renaissance used a black mirror to judge a painting, thus to exclude the distraction that the colour would offer.

Landscape is a tool for reading, its a visual system, or in other words a linguistic code: when painting a landscape Poussin was not talking of a specific place, but of a theory of vision within art theory. Similarly, this exhibition Fig. 1: Paesaggio traces through the term landscape the way in which the work positions itself, as well as the positioning of the viewer in front of the work. Here, Landscape is therefore a topos focusing on how we see, when we see through art. Us, plural: the artist, in deploying the work, the public, receiving it.

Cecilia Canziani & Ilaria Gianni

## Programme of talks

March 21, 2013, 3.30 pm - Introduction to the project Fig. 1; Paesaggio with Cecilia Canziani & Ilaria Gianni Villa La Magia, Quarrata (PT)

March 22, 2013, 6.00 pm - Maria Morganti in conversation with Giacomo Bazzani Mac,n Museo d'arte contemporanea e del Novecento, Monsummano (PT)

March 23, 2013, 11.30 am - Performance by Chiara Camoni Fattoria di Celle, Santomato (PT) (reservation required, max 40 places - tel. +39.347.7936933)

We would like to thank for the collaboration the artists and the galleries BolteLang, Zürich, Gaudel de Stampa, Paris and Mary Mary, Glasgow.



