

# KEY TOPICS



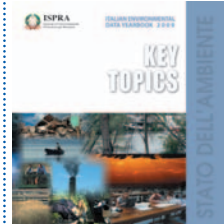
**ACRONYMS**

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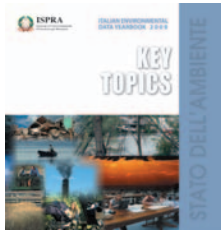


Listed below are the meanings of a number of the acronyms found in the publication.

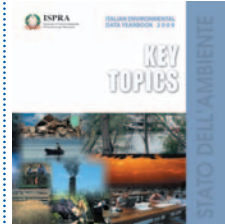
ACI	Italian Automobile Club
ACNP	Italian Union Catalogue of Serials
AE	Equivalent Inhabitants
AIA	Italian Association of Aerobiology
AISCAT	Italian Association of Motorway and Tunnel Concessionaire Companies
AM	Italian Air Force
AMP	Marine Protected Areas
ANCI	National Association of Italian Municipalities
ANPA	National Environmental Protection Agency
APAT	Environmental Protection and Technical Services Agency (now ISPRA)
APPA	Provincial Environmental Protection Agency (only autonomous provinces)
ARPA	Regional Environmental Protection Agency
ASI	Italian Space Agency
ASL	Local Healthcare Enterprise
AWB	<i>Artificial Water Body</i>
BAT	<i>Best Available Techniques</i>
BCAA	Good Agronomic and Environmental Conditions
BEN	National Energy Balance
BIA	Low Environmental Impact
CAP	<i>Common Agricultural Policy</i>
CARG	Geological Cartography
CBD	<i>Convention on Biological Diversity</i>
cCASHh	<i>Climate Change and Adaptation Strategies for Human Health</i>
CCM	National Centre for Diseases Prevention and Control
CCTA	Carabinieri Police Command for the Defence of the Environment
CEFOG	<i>Classification Of Function Of Government:</i>
CEHAP	<i>Children Environmental Health Action Plan</i>
CEM	Electromagnetic Fields
CFP	Common Fisheries Policy
CFS	State Forestry Corps



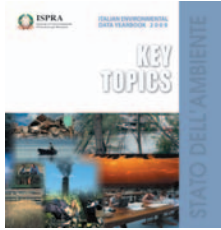
CGO	Statutory Management Requirements
CIA	Italian Farmers' Confederation
CIPE	Inter-Ministerial Committee for Economic Planning
CIRIAF	Interuniversity Centre for Research on Pollution from Physical Agents
CLC	<i>CORINE Land Cover</i>
CNCC	National Conference on Climate Change
CNLS	National Committee for the Fight against Drought and Desertification
CNR	National Research Council
CNT	National Transportation Report
CONACEM	National Co-ordination for Defence against Electro-magnetic Fields
CONECOFOR	Control of Forest Ecosystems
COP	<i>Conference of the Parties</i>
CORINAIR	<i>COoRdination InformatioN AIR</i>
COVNM	Non-methane Volatile Organic Compounds
CPUE	<i>Catch per Unit of Effort</i>
CRA-CMA	Agricultural Research and Testing Council - Agricultural Climatology and Meteorology Research Unit
CTN	National Topic Centre
CTN-TES	National Topic Centre – Soil and Land
DAISIE	<i>Delivering Alien Invasive Species Inventories for Europe</i>
DBMS	<i>Database Management System</i>
DEN	<i>Dengue</i>
DESS	International Decade of Education for Sustainable Development
DISMED	<i>Desertification Information System for the Mediterranean</i>
DPC	Civil Protection Agency
DPSIR	<i>Driving force – Pressures – Status – Impact – Responses</i>
EAP (EU)	<i>Environmental Action Plan (European Union)</i>
EC	<i>European Commission</i>
ECC	<i>European Economic Community</i>
ECOEHIS	<i>Development of Environment and Health Indicators for EU Countries</i>



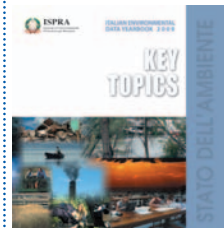
EEA	<i>European Environment Agency</i>
EI	<i>Ecological Evaluation Index</i>
EFF	<i>European Fisheries Fund</i>
EFSA	<i>European Food Safety Authority</i>
ELF	<i>Extremely Low Frequency</i>
ENAC	<i>Italian Civil Aviation Authority</i>
ENEA	<i>Agency for New Technologies, Energy and the Environment</i>
Eoi	<i>Exchange of Information</i>
EPER	<i>European Pollutant Emission Register</i>
EQB	<i>Biological Quality Elements</i>
EQR	<i>Environmental Quality Ratio</i>
EQV	<i>Ecological Quality Value</i>
ER	<i>Exposure Ratio</i>
ESAs	<i>Environmentally Sensitive Areas</i>
ETC	<i>European Topic Centres</i>
ETC-LUSI	<i>European Topic Centre-Land Use and Spatial Information</i>
ETS	<i>Emissions Trading System</i>
EU	<i>European Union</i>
EUAP	<i>Official List of Protected Areas</i>
EUCC	<i>European Union for Coastal Conservation</i>
EUROSTAT	<i>Statistical Office of the European Communities</i>
FAO	<i>Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations</i>
FSC	<i>Forest Stewardship Council</i>
GDF	<i>Italian Treasury Police</i>
GDP	<i>Gross Domestic Product</i>
GFS	<i>Sustainable Forestry Management</i>
GIG	<i>Geographic Intercalibration Group</i>
GIS	<i>Geographical Information System</i>
GIZC	<i>Integrated Coastal Areas Management</i>
GMM	<i>Genetically Modified Micro-organisms</i>
GMO	<i>Genetically Modified Organisms</i>
GMP	<i>Genetically Modified Plants</i>
GNDT	<i>National Earthquake Defence Group</i>
GPP	<i>Green Public Procurement</i>
GPS	<i>Global Positioning System</i>



GSE	Energy Services Managers
HABs	<i>Armful Algal Blooms</i>
HEV	<i>Hepatitis E Virus</i>
HMWB	<i>Heavily Modified Water Bodies</i>
IAEA	<i>International Atomic Energy Agency</i>
IARC	<i>International Agency for Research on Cancer</i>
IBE	Extended Biotic Index
ICDM	Sea Defence Service of the Ministry of the Environment
ICNIRP	<i>International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection</i>
ICRAM	Central Institute for Research on the Marine Environment (now ISPRA)
ICZM	<i>Integrated Coastal Zone Management</i>
IEA	<i>International Energy Agency</i>
IFFI	Inventory of Landslide Events in Italy
ILL	<i>Inter Library Loan</i>
INES	National Inventory of Emissions and their Sources
INFC	National Inventory of Forests and of Forest Reservoirs of Carbon
INFEA	Environmental Information, Training and Education
INFS	National Institute for Wildlife (now ISPRA)
INGV	National Institute of Geophysics and Volcanology
INSPIRE	<i>Infrastructure for Spatial Information In Europe</i>
IPCC	<i>International (or Intergovernmental) Panel on Climatic Change</i>
IPP	<i>Integrated Product Policy</i>
IPPC	<i>Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control</i>
IPR	Main Reference Institute
IQB	Index of Bacteriological Quality
IREPA	Institute of Economic Research for Fishing and Aquaculture
IRSA	Water Research Institute
ISAC – CNR	Institute of Atmospheric and Climate Sciences – National Research Council
ISPESL	National Institute for Occupational Safety and Prevention
ISS	Italian National Health Institute
ISSDS	Experimental Institute for the Study and Defence of the Soil



ISTAT	National Statistics Institute
ISTIL	Institute of Science and Technology of Luminous Pollution
ITHACA	<i>Italy Hazard from CApale faults</i>
IUCN	<i>International Union for Conservation of Nature</i>
JRC-IES	<i>Joint Research Centre-Institute for Environment and Sustainability</i>
LAN	Snow Level
LCA	<i>Life Cycle Assessment</i>
LDCs	<i>Least Developed Countries</i>
LIM	Level of Pollution from Macro-Descriptors
LPG	<i>Liquid Propane Gas</i>
LULUCF	<i>Land Use, Land Use Change and Forestry</i>
MAH	<i>Major Accident Hazard</i>
MAI	Italian MetaOPAC Azalai
MAP	Ministry of Production Activities
MATTM	Ministry of the Environment, Land and Sea
MAV	Venice Waters Magistrate
MED	<i>Minimum Erythemat Dose</i>
MEDALUS	<i>Mediterranean Desertification and Land Use</i>
MIPAAF	Ministry of Agricultural, Food and Forestry Policies
MSE	Ministry of Economic Development
MUD	Consolidated Environmental Declaration Form
NAP	<i>National Action Plan</i>
NAPA	<i>National Adaptation Programmes of Action</i>
NEHAP	<i>National Environment and Health Action Plan</i>
NFP	<i>National Focal Point</i>
NIR	<i>Non Ionising Radiation</i>
NVZ	<i>Nitrate Vulnerable Zones</i>
NOISE	<i>Noise Observation and Information Service for Europe</i>
NORM	<i>Naturally Occurring Radioactive Materials</i>
NRT	<i>Near Real Time</i>
NYMEX	<i>New York Mercantile Exchange</i>
ODP	<i>Ozone Depleting Potential</i>
OECD	<i>Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development</i>
OPAC	<i>On-line Public Access Catalogue</i>
OPR	Oasis for the Protection and Refuge of Fauna

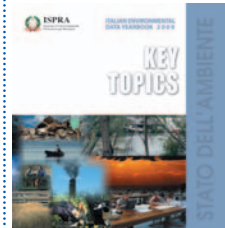


PAA	Environmental Action Program
PAI	Plan of Hydrogeological Array
PCAR	Plans of Noise Reduction and Abatement Measures
PEFC	<i>Programme for Endorsement of Forest Certification scheme</i>
PESERA	<i>Pan European Soil Erosion Risk Assessment</i>
PFR	Regional Focal Point
PIFFI	Landslide Event Identifying Point
PMP	Multizone Prevention Facilities
PN	National Park
PNA	National Allocation Plan
PNR	Regional Nature Park
POP	Multiyear Guidance Programs
PPAE	Provincial Mining Plan
PRAE	Regional Mining Plan
PSN	National Strategic Plan
PSR	<i>Pressure-Status-Responses</i>
PTA	Water Resources Protection Plan
PTS	Total Suspended Particulates
PYLL	<i>Pontential Years of Life Lost</i>
QUEST	<i>Quick Earthquake Survey Team</i>
R&D	<i>Research and Development</i>
RBS	<i>Radio base Stations</i>
REACH	<i>Registration, Evaluation and Authorisation of Chemicals</i>
ReNDIS	National List of Land Defence Interventions
RF	Radio Frequency
RFI	Italian Railway System
RIBES	Italian Network of Germplasm Banks for ex situ Conservation of Wild Plants
RICE	<i>Radium of Influence of Coastal Erosion</i>
RID	Italian Dikes Register
RNA	<i>RiboNucleic Acid</i>
RNR	Regional Nature Reserve
RNS	State Nature Reserve
ROD	<i>Reporting Obligation Databases</i>
RSA	Report on the State of the Environment
RTC	Risk Threshold Concentration



RTV	Radio and TV media
SAC	<i>Special Area of Conservation</i>
SAR	<i>Synthetic Aperture Radar</i>
SBN	National Library Service
SCALE	<i>Science, Children, Awareness, Legal Instruments, Evaluation</i>
SCAS	Chemical State of Ground Waters
SCI	<i>Sites of Community Importance</i>
SCIA	National System for collecting, processing and diffusing Climate Data of Environmental Interest
SCL	Sporadic Cutaneous Leishmaniasis
SCN	Nature Preservation Service
SEA	<i>Strategic Environmental Assessment</i>
SECA	Ecological Status of Waterways
SEIS	<i>Shared Environmental Information System</i>
SEL	Ecological Status of Lakes
SIAS	Development of Soil Environmental Indicators
SIMN	National Service for Study of Waters and Seas
SINA	National Information System on Environment
SINAB	National Information System on Biological Agriculture
SINAL	National Laboratory Accreditation System
SINAnet	Network of the National Information System on Environment
SITAP	Information System on the Territory, Environment and Landscape
SNAP97	<i>Selected Nomenclature Air Pollution</i>
SNI	Site of National Interest
SPA	<i>Special Protection Area</i>
SSN	<i>National Seismic Service</i>
ST	Total Surface Area
SWH	<i>Significative Wave Height</i>
TAF	Agrarian and Forestry Territory
TERM	<i>Transport and Environment Reporting Mechanism</i>
TOFP	<i>Tropospheric Ozone Forming Potential</i>
TVC	Threshold Value of Contamination
UAA	<i>Utilised Agricultural Area</i>
UCEA	Agricultural Climatology and Meteorology Research Unit





UMTS	<i>Universal Mobile Telecommunications System</i>
UN	<i>United Nations</i>
UNCCD	<i>United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification</i>
UNCDS	<i>United Nations Committee on Sustainable Development</i>
UNCED	<i>United Nations Conference on Environment and Development</i>
UNECE	<i>United Nation Economic Commission for Europe</i>
UNEP	<i>United Nations Environment Programme</i>
UNFCC	<i>United Nations Framework on Climatic Changes</i>
US-EPA	<i>United States - Environmental Protection Agency</i>
USLE	<i>Universal Soil Loss Equation</i>
UV	<i>Ultraviolets</i>
VVF	<i>Fire Fighters Corps</i>
WFD	<i>Water Framework Directive</i>
WHO	<i>World Health Organisation</i>
WISE	<i>Water Information System for Europe</i>
WMO	<i>World Meteorological Organization</i>
WWF	<i>World Wildlife Fund</i>
ZRC	<i>Zones for Repopulation and Capture of Wildlife</i>
ZVL	<i>Zoonotic Visceral Leishmaniasis</i>

