

Abstract

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At a time when the term *agriculture* is in the process of taking on new, and at times original, meanings, both in theoretical debate and in *governance* policies, the book is an attempt to offer diverse cognitive paths for understanding the complex reality of the countryside, with particular reference to Abruzzo. The aim is to comprehend the possible transformation processes, some of which are already underway, by means of an approach stemming from the value attributable to agricultural production, experimental or consolidated practices and the policies which have affected the sector in various ways, so as to outline a new framework of knowledge; Abruzzo, with its wealth of experience, its contradictions and vastly differentiated historical and territorial situations is the region under observation.

The opportunities offered by the European Union are explored in the context of a public action aimed at the revival and possible growth of the various rural areas within the context of the Region as a whole, with the aim of understanding the main innovative instruments and the state of their enforcement.

Interpretations therefore emerge from the combination of agricultural production and the land, which refer to territorial and sectorial politics. This book aims to offer considerations on the strengths and active resources in relation to the *governance* and local and international experiences in progress.