All over the world, people, schools, organizations, and institutions have celebrated the 24th Annual International Noise Awareness Day (INAD) on Wednesday, April 24, 2019.

In Italy it was the 10th edition, organized by the Italian Acoustics Association (AIA) supported by European Acoustics Association (EAA), several Italian Institutions (MATTM, INAIL, Ministry of Health) and with the collaboration of the University of Pavia.

The theme was "Searching for lost sounds", to rise awareness among children and pupils on acoustics, by searching and listening to forgotten sounds or sounds destined to disappear with environmental, social and work changes.

In totally 14 Italian Schools have participated at the initiative and some of these have participated at the competition "Searching for lost sounds", producing drawings and multimedia materials that are viewable at the following link: https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=oa.1975192822591029&type=3

All the classes, from April to May 2019, have been involved with lessons, workshops and laboratories held by experts on acoustics. During these events, two movies, produced by EAA, were shown to the students: “Noisella in the Sound Space” and “Sounds of my place”. The first one is a storytelling of Noisella in searching of sounds of “her place” in the sound galaxy and the second one is a film about the results of INAD in Europe experience in the edition of 2017.

“Sounds of my place” experience in the frame of the European edition of INAD 2017 has been presented during the 48th International Congress and Exhibition on Noise Control Engineering (Inter. Noise) in Madrid, on 16-19 June. During all days of the Congress, the film has been continuously screened at the SEA (Sociedad Espanola de Acustica) stand.