The International Noise Awareness Day is an opportunity to raise awareness among children and young people on problems associated with exposure to excessive noise and to educate them in listening to sounds and soundscapes. In connection with schools around the world.

**edition 2010:** TRASFORMA IL RUMORE
(trasform the noise)

**edition 2011:** ACCHIAPPA IL RUMORE
(catch the noise)

**edition 2012:** CONOSCI IL RUMORE
(understand the noise)

**edition 2013:** RI-CONOSCI IL RUMORE
(know the noise)

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International Noise Awareness Day -Italy

April 24th 2013
PRESENTATION

The Center for Hearing and Communication founded International Noise Awareness Day (INAD) to promote awareness of the dangers of long-term exposure to noise. The Acoustics Society of Italy (AIA) is working to celebrate the event in Italian Schools on April 24, 2013.

AIA working group has defined the general objectives of “Noise Awareness Day – Italia”, the awareness program to be implemented in Italy, drafting the initiatives yearly organized in Italian schools, aiming to:
- inform and increase awareness of students and citizens on noise reduction by means of social media (leaflets, posters, social networks, etc.);
- measure and assess noise in schools (indoor and outdoor);
- design solutions for noise mitigation and improvement of acoustic climate;
- describe soundscapes in schools and school courtyards;
- write and/or draw an advertising campaign on noise;
- understand, define and observe a “quiet diet”;
- distribute and collect questionnaires and interviews about sound quality in schools and in living environments;
- invent new games and activities related to acoustic and noise;
- take a minute for hearing silence;
- create links between schools of different cities and countries to share the actions taken.

AIA and other members societies of EAA, the European Acoustics Association, organize INAD-ITALY 2013, a set of initiatives for schools and communities. Several Italian Secondary Schools in the cities of Benevento, Caserta, Firenze, Roma, Milano e Torino, will be involved. They will carry out educational projects on environmental acoustics, noise protection and pleasant enjoyment of music and soundscapes.

Teachers and students, in collaboration with AIA experts, will present materials, informing other students on results of their educational programs. Experts of AIA will show actions of prevention and protection from the risk of exposure to noise in the acoustic daylife (and nightlife) of young people, discussing some design solutions for noise exposure reduction.

Web-connections between different schools from Italy and the rest of the world will run along the INAD initiative, involving, Sociedad Espanola de Acoustics, Institute of Italian Culture in the Volga region, the Museum “A come Ambiente” in Turin and the Educational Center of Italy in Miniature with presentation of the Laboratory “A Suon di Rumori”.

THEME OF INAD ITALIA 2013

For the 18th edition of “International Noise Awareness Day” AIA organizes the event “RI-CONOSCI IL RUMORE” (know the noise!) that means “to know again”, deepening topics covered by the previous editions, and “to recognize”, distinguishing sounds and categorizing noise.

The project NOISE AWARENESS DAY ITALY - 2013 includes:
- dissemination campaign of the event through the distribution of leaflets, brochures, posters, educational and informative material;
- development of the theme “leisure noise” in schools, through the implementation of questionnaires and other tests for students, in order to discuss with them during the INAD day results and problems related to their “acoustic daylife “;
- distribution to involved school of information leaflets prepared in this and former edition of INAD;
- presentation of the “quiet diet” to illustrate what are the healthy habits to prevent the risks connected to noise exposure;
- web-connections with other schools around the world involved in the project.

SCHOOLS AND INSTITUTIONS INVOLVED

IN ITALY
- Secondary School “Giovanni Papini” - Firenze
- High school IPSSCT “Sassetti-Peruzzi” - Firenze
- High school Paritario “De La Salle” - Benevento
- Lyceum “Galileo Galilei” - Piedimonte Matese (CE)
- Technical High School IIS “Avogadro” – Torino
- IC “Frascati 1” –Frascati (RM)

AROUND THE WORLD
- IES “Isaac Newton”, Madrid
- Institute of Italian Culture - Togliattigrad
- Educational Center of Italy in Miniature – Rimini
- Museum “A come Ambiente” - Torino
- Spanish Association of Acoustic - Madrid