EuroVelo in Italy

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EV status in Italy

EuroVelo has not yet been included in any official national plan (nor has FIAB BicItalia network). FIAB is working at parliament level: bills from different parties concerning the national cycle network are pending. A few regional and some provincial authorities included stretches of EV cycleroutes in their bike network plans (or in plan projects). E.g. Friuli Venezia Giulia, Liguria, Lombardy, Puglia, Veneto.

3 FIAB recent achievements

1. First survey on Italian rail-trails, February 2011

2. Guidebooks of CicloPo (EV 8 Mediterranean Route), forthcoming in April

3. A website instrument for EuroVelo (and Bicitalia) routes mapping, online
1. First survey on Italian rail-trails, published by FIAB in February 2011

We found 775 km of cycleroutes realized thanks to rail-trails, 48% of which (370 km) are part of Bicitalia. We considered only rail-trails already open to touring bikes and longer than 5km. All Italian EV Routes (EV 5 Via Romea Francigena, EV 7 Sun Route and EV 8 Mediterranean Route) include a contribution from rail-trails in 7 cases for a total of 80 km.
2. New guidebooks

Two guidebooks of the river Po cycle route (EV 8 Mediterranean Route) by Claudio Pedroni, forthcoming in April 2011, Ediciclo (Portogruaro, VE)

2 guidebooks of EV 7 Sun Route from the Alps to Florence, both by Claudio Pedroni, have been published in 2006 and 2009
3. A website instrument for EuroVelo and Bicitalia routes mapping

EuroVelo and Bicitalia routes surveyors can enter the tracks (i.e. GPS generated files) along with information gathered on the field (road type, surface, disused infrastructures, and of course POI or Albergabici – that is bikehotels). The website will show the development of the national cycle network.
Thank you for your attention.

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