

Regional Agency for Prevention, Environment and Energy of Emilia Romagna, Bologna (ARPAE), Environment and Health Regional Thematic Center (CTR-AS)



Since the first of January, 2016, ARPAE added the activity in the field of energy (the “E” in the new acronym) to the activity of environmental protection, therefore assuming the role of environmental authorization body, end-point of environmental procedures, and instrument of knowledge of the territory and its critical areas and opportunities.

ARPAE has many years of experience in the collection and processing of meteorological and environmental data. Special attention is given to monitoring and control of air quality, and to the assessment of the health effects of atmospheric pollutants; within its organization, the Environmental and Health Thematic Center (CTR-AS) has always dealt with issues related to environmental epidemiology and exposure of the population to environmental stressors.

The CTR-AS integrates skills in environmental toxicology and epidemiology, developing investigations and research aimed at assessing the risk to human health related to exposure to physical, chemical or viral agents present in environmental matrices.

Together with the Regional Collective Prevention and Public Health Service, the Regional Health and Social Agency of the Emilia-Romagna Region and the Epidemiology Service of the Reggio Emilia AUSL, the CTR-AS is a reference point for the environmental epidemiology of the Emilia Romagna region.