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Architects: "Project of the Future – what cities and territories do we want to live in?" The CNAPPC Manifesto in a Ten-Point Charter

Presentation of the "Italy in Proximity: The Future of Urban and Territorial Planning" publication on October 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Chamber of Deputies – Sala della Regina

On October 22nd, from 10:15 AM to 1:00 PM, the "Italy in Proximity: The Future of Urban and Territorial Planning" publication will be officially presented in the Sala della Regina of the Italian Chamber of Deputies. The publication was developed by the Scientific Committee of the National Council of Architects, Planners, Landscapers and Conservationists (CNAPPC) under the scientific direction of Professor Carlos Moreno, the creator of the "15-Minute City" model.

The publication represents a reflection by the CNAPPC, long debated in a multidisciplinary way by its international scientific committee chaired by Carlos Moreno. It addresses the crucial and current issue of **urban proximity** as a lever for deep transformations aimed at improving quality of life in urban environments. Internationally, concepts of **polycentric proximity** have become key elements in the debate on how to integrate ecological, economic, and social challenges with quality of life, that stems from the quality of architecture itself.

Starting from the premise that cities are increasingly becoming the centre of human activity, of economics, innovation, and cultural exchange, the publication identifies **polycentric urban proximity** as a tool to **reconnect diverse urban contexts into a coherent whole**, overcoming the outdated model of "functional zoning." The goal is to ensure that all citizens have easy access to services and urban infrastructures, to enhance public transport and active mobility networks, to build communities resilient to climate change, and to promote well-being, social cohesion, and equity. Through concrete examples, the publication highlights **programs designed to create complex, compact, and connected urban environments**, capable of aligning the various policies that shape urban development, while simultaneously fostering **innovation and regeneration**.

The themes addressed in the publication are intended as a call to policymakers to **reform urban planning with an innovative and integrated approach,** overcoming the vision of urban regeneration that considers it as simple, albeit important, isolated actions, such as those aimed at facing land consumption, improving the energy efficiency of buildings and reusing brownfield sites."

During the October 22nd presentation, after institutional greetings from Hon. Sergio Costa-Vice President of the Chamber of Deputies -, Teresa Taboas - Vice President of the International Union of Architects (UIA) - and Massimo Crusi, President of the CNAPPC, a round table discussion will take place. The roundtable will be composed of Senators Maurizio Gasparri, Stefano Patuanelli, Etelwardo Sigismondi, and some members of the Parliament Roberto Morassut and Gianpiero Zinzi engaging in dialogue with Carlos Moreno.

The **CNAPPC's project and the** "Italy in Proximity: The Future of Urban and Territorial Planning" publication will be illustrated during the morning session by **Carlos Moreno**, following the opening presentation by **Giuseppe Cappochin**, Head of the CNAPPC Department for Urban Reform and Future of the City.