

Some notes on the history of meteorological and seismic observations*

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Italy has an established tradition in the field of meteorological and seismic observations; one of the most ancient observation posts dates back to the second half of the 16th century.

The birth of the first observatories was often spontaneous and they were mostly privately or clerically owned.

An historical and topographic map was drawn of the development of this observation posts network. The nature and the role of these "observatories" are under examination, related also to the development of the meteorological and seismic observations in Italy.

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