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### Society in Erto and Casso: oral history and new investigation methods

On the 9th of October 1963 the mount Toc landslide at Vajont lake killed 2000 people and totally destroyed Longarone and partially destroyed Erto and Casso. The construction of the Vajont dam, the biggest dam in the world in 1963, killed thousands of people in addition to devastating century-old traditions of the local society.

This paper analyzes the ertocassana society through the dynamic process of historic territorialisation, the de-territorialisation steps in which the local agricultural society became an industrial society, and the re-territorialisation when the new town of Erto was built. The target is to analyze the disappearance of the traditional society while highlighting how members of the local society attempted to bring back and interpret the traditions that were lost. Oral history was used to achieve this goal. This angle of research has brought to light the opinions of people who normally don't appear in history: the common folk who experienced the 1963 tragedy as well as new generations who want to resurrect spaces and traditions. All of this produces interesting cultural crossbreeding phenomena.