

## - PERLOZ



### **Main characters:**

Commune situated in the middle mountain at the entrance of the Gressoney Valley. The steep slopes terraced for agricultural and pastoral activities characterise the landscape. In the low, the chestnut groves dominate: there are many secular trees they have very big dimensions. The mountain part is characterised by larch and red fir-tree woods. The presence of the *Peonia officinalis* with their outstanding bloom is considerable one of the natural beauty of the country. Once, the chestnut was the most important resource of this area and there are still some constructions with particular function to treat and to conserve the fruits.

There are many settlements of different range and the presence of important ancient buildings (two parish churches, one sanctuary, three castles, many fortress houses) testify the historical importance of the site. The chief town (660 m. a.s.l.) is a medieval village (borgo) and was the seat of the noble family Vallaise who dominate the south east part of the region.

Far from the tourist route they are undervalued, the settlements have maintained their architectural features, beauty and environment.

### **Local authorities involved:**

Municipality of Perloz

### **Starting from...**

cataloguing of the rural historic architecture in progress; presence of buildings made with stone they represent the ability of the constructors in the down side of the Lys Valley

### **Operational tools to be applied:**

- cataloguing in order to the historical architectonic minor heritage
- WP2 card
- SWOT analysis
- guidelines for the interpretation of the old building system and for the restoration