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Wineries communication strategies. A text mining analysis

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Abstract. The digital literacy that has developed in recent decades has resulted in internet playing an important role in the communication of wineries. Business websites, initially used as an exhibitor of products, quickly became one of the most important tools to implement communication strategies used to successfully place the wine product in a competitive market. The purpose of this study is to analyse major Italian wineries websites through textual statistics and text mining methods to provide evidence on the storytelling device adopted by these companies to promote and brand themselves. The information contained in the websites of the selected businesses in Northern, Central and Southern Italy, has been analysed in three steps. The first consisted in investigating categories with which the contents were organized, and the second step involved examining the contents' word clouds which are useful for a qualitative analysis on similarities and differences found in the three different areas. Finally, different strategies were formalized, by reconstructing the structure of concepts underlying the communication models of the wineries of the three areas examined. The results demonstrate considerably different approaches adopted by the areas. While the wineries in Central Italy focus on communication concerning the company, in the North and South, more attention is given to production methods and territory respectively. Thanks to the analysis of word clouds it was also possible to expose the construct which is the basis of narratives used by wineries, followed by the typical communication strategy of the different Italian areas.

Keywords: winery, storytelling, promotion, website, text mining.

1. INTRODUCTION

The advent of the internet and related socio-cultural changes have made consumers increasingly digitally addicted, with significant repercussions on the supply of products, marketing, branding, on the communication which has moved online, on corporate websites and on social networks.

Internet has become the most affordable, most easily accessible, and widely available form of media communication also between wine producers and their stakeholders. For this reason, the quality of wine brand websites is now crucial and plays a strategic role in communication campaigns since it

represents a valid effort to build customer loyalty, develop a brand, increase presence in the tasting room, and to encourage direct purchasing [1–4].

The characteristics of the wine, make it particularly suitable to be linked to experiential components that involve consumers emotionally and cognitively, through the symbolic, hedonistic, and aesthetic nature of postmodern consumption [5,6]. This gives the wineries the opportunity to promote and commercialize its products using content that illustrates the history of the company, and its production techniques, linking the company brand name to the wine and the territory of origin through its website [7].

While stories are an effective way of communicating and involving people, the use of this kind of narration is therefore a valid means of differentiation in a very competitive market such as that of wine. This is particularly true in a country like Italy, which has achieved significant results in both qualitative and quantitative terms. As a matter of fact, Italy is the largest global producer with 17,83% of world total production, equal to over 49.1 million hectolitres, followed by France, with 16,92% and Spain with 14,78% [8], while wineries, which are characterized by a strong orientation to regional tradition, produce wines which are often positioned in premium segments.

The aim of this work consists in investigating communication strategies of the major Italian wine producers through the analysis of their websites and highlighting the differences in their use of storytelling. The analysis focused on two different levels, namely the sections of the main page which indicate a storytelling content and the contents of these sections. Using text mining methodologies, word clouds were formulated capable of summarizing the different topics that characterize the storytelling adopted by Italian wineries and analysing differences in concepts and semiotic approaches among the three different country areas.

This paper is structured as follows. Section 2 presents a literature review on selected keywords. Section 3 describes methods used for the analysis and materials. Section 4 presents results followed by the discussion in section 5 and conclusion in section 6.

2. LITERATURE BACKGROUND

In order to conduct a rigorous literature review with the aim of exploring text mining methodologies applied to business storytelling, five keywords have been defined taking into account the particularity of the wine sector and tools for business promotion. On the basis of

Table 1. Keywords interaction table. Performed using Scopus January 2021.

Keywords	Winery	Storytelling	Promotion	Website	Text mining
Winery	-				
Storytelling	4	-			
Promotion	44	28	-		
Website	47	25	612	-	
Text mining	1	2	33	118	-

these keywords, a search was carried out on the Scopus database, to consult papers, books, abstracts, and articles from both academic and professional publishers. Four subject areas have also been chosen: (i) Economics, Econometrics and Finance; (ii) Business, Management and Accounting; (iii) Agricultural and Biological Sciences; (iv) Environmental Science. The final list of keyword combinations used and the number of articles found is shown in Table 1.

The literature review contains some important evidence. The theme of promoting wineries is strongly addressed to regional wine tourism. For example, Alonso [9] investigated the reciprocal promotion of wineries involved in wine trails and tourism in US Southern states. Maumbe and Brown [10] underlined the role of promotion strategies and their interaction with the place of origin and relations with the local community, as a key element in the development of small wineries. Zamparini et al. [11] collected producers' communication materials and applied audit methods to determine the effectiveness of wineries collective promotion, while Festa et al. [12] identified the promotion of the region as one of the most important factors of cohesion for small wineries. Woods et al. [13] studied appropriate marketing strategies which can help local wineries in the Northern Appalachian states (US) to create increased awareness, differentiation, and value in a crowded wine market and Thach and Cogan-Marie [14] analysed winery websites to assess readiness for wine tourism.

The digital literacy that has developed in recent decades has resulted in internet playing an important role in the communication of wineries which, through a website, have the opportunity to make themselves known in a highly competitive market such as that of wine. If at first these websites were found to be "electronic brochures" of products rather than "dynamic relationship marketing tools" [15], in recent years these websites have become one of the principal business communication channels, providing information in the form of text, photos, digital contents, symbolic elements and emotional stimuli linked to the territory, and capable of

establishing a direct relationship with wine lovers and consumers [7,16-19].

The study of websites and their integration with the communication activities of wine businesses, has been dealt with by Kolb and Thach [20] who analysed the adoption of Web 2.0 and social media by German wineries to determine the impact of winery size on the use of social media, and by Sellitto [21] who investigated e-marketing adopted by a small and successful Australian winery. The quality and major features of wine company websites have been analysed in detail by Galati et al. [22] who compared e-commerce and e-marketing approaches. In addition, Treen et al. [23] researched emotions expressed by wine estate websites and whether the emotions conveyed are related to or can significantly predict the positive or negative sentiment expressed by these websites.

It is interesting to notice that there is a clear lack of research on the themes of wineries and the analysis of their storytelling through the use of text mining methodologies or textual statistics. The concept of storytelling is very broad and has been extensively researched and adapted across many disciplines including psychology [24,25], sociology [26,27], environmental sciences [28,29], education sciences [30,31] and management [32,33].

However, the major applications in the economic fields refer to marketing [34-36], advertising [37,38] and branding of companies [39,40].

According to Sole and Wilson [41] storytelling could be defined as the sharing of knowledge and experiences through narrative and anecdotes in order to communicate lessons, complex ideas, concepts, and causal connections. The main objective of this narrative technique is therefore to involve the recipient, to make concrete what is abstract, and to be remembered over time. In addition, another feature is the spontaneity of writing, which suggests a high degree of diversity in the elements that compose a story [42]. However, Bourion [43] argued that when comparing narratives which have the same aim, the words tend to focus on a short list of topics.

In the wine business context, Frost et al. [44] examined the role of storytelling in the cultural heritage related to wine tourism in Australia, and Parrish and Downing [45] examined wineries in Napa Valley (US) and Stellenbosch (ZA), finding a remarkable symmetry between the types of stories utilised and differences in terminology. Italian wineries were investigated by Kammerlander et al. [46] who analysed the impact of narratives on the family firm's level of innovation.

Although the role of text mining methodologies is widely used in analyses related to the promotion of

product and services [47–49], only two bibliographic results utilized this methodology to analyse a US winery website to identify how businesses communicate family brand identities [50], and to investigate the online narrative of the San Giovese grape variety by examining the characteristics of non-winery-owned online information which may shape wine consumers' behaviour [51].

3. MATERIALS AND METHODS

3.1 Textual statistics methods

Textual statistics consists in the analysis of texts using statistical methods. Such texts are intended as a set of distinct elements that have their own frequency and can be compared [52]. This method is largely used especially in linguistic research [53–55] and it has different approaches, ranging from a purely formal analysis, in which the texts are not subjected to any treatment before analysis, to cases in which linguistic information can be used to identify textual forms with specific meaning [56].

The first step of this study was to analyse the frequencies of the section titles extracted from a selected sample of winery websites to assess divergence in the narratives used in the different areas examined.

As suggested by Mora and Livat [42], there is a limited number of topics used in wineries corporate communication. For this reason the titles of the pages have been categorized into six different argumentative dimensions, which represent the most commonly used themes in the websites of the wineries in the selected sample (Table 2).

The first collects all the pages relating to the productive aspects of wine, and pages which explain processes, innovation and production technologies, as well as winemaking and organic certifications. The second category concerns the product and the qualities connected to it. Another important argumentative dimension has been identified in history in which all the titles of the pages concerning heritage, as well as some time references, have been inserted. The last two categories concern the territory and values. As regards the first, all the pages which refer to the land, the landscape, the roots, the resources have been inserted. The last dimension is the most consistent and includes all the pages that refer to values.

3.2 Text mining methodologies

The second step of the analysis through text mining methodologies, focused on the investigation of the

Table 2. Argumentative dimensions and related wineries website page titles.

Storytelling Argumentative Dimensions	Page titles (codes)			
Production	Production, Process, Research, Technology, Vinification, Winemaking, Innovation, Winegrowers, Facility, Work, Certification, Sustainability, Green, Vegan, Bio			
Wines	Wine, Brand, Product, Awards, Grapes, Vine, Vineyard, Cellar, Barrique, Quality			
Company	About us, Company, Estate, Group, Market, Marketing, Profile, Projects, Services, Shareholders, Winery			
History	History, Today, Tradition, Heritage, Story			
Territory	Territory, Terroir, Surroundings, Resources, Roots, Regional, Native, Land, Landscape, Locality, Nature			
Values	Values, Mission, Union, Vision, World, Thinking, Solidarity, People, Philosophy, Experience, Identity, Knowledge, Art, Determination, Excellence, Communication, Hospitality, Family, Eco- sustainability, Environment, Biodiversity			

elements which characterize the storytelling present on the websites of the major Italian wineries. The term text mining refers to the processes of exploring and analysing large amounts of data in form of texts in order to identify concepts, topics, models and other attributes. According to Feldman and Sanger [57], the use of text mining to probe extracted texts involved three distinct phases: (1) data collection, (2) pre-processing and cleaning, (3) analysis and evaluation of results. Data collection is the processes aimed at identifying a *corpus* of texts relating to the topic, which in our case is represented by the contents of the pages that have been previously identified and which converged into the sets of each area.

The pre-processing and cleaning phase is necessary because some information contained in a corpus may be irrelevant for the analysis and in these cases is removed from the corpus [58,59]. Thanks to the use of specific software, ATLAS.TI, it was possible to remove all the insignificant words that commonly appear in the language, such as prepositions, conjunctions, pronouns, and punctuation.

We decided to use the Word Clouds method to visualize the results. This type of representation is used in various contexts as a means of providing a clear overview of the words that appear most frequently in a given text. For example, Moro et al. [60] use this methodology to establish the breadth of the literature and define the concept of ethnic marketing, characterized by high

heterogeneity. Other applications are in the biomedical field and especially in the emerging field of Big Data and computer science. The method is defined as a useful summary for knowing the number and type of topics present in a body of text [61–63] and is typically obtained by positively correlating the font size of the represented tags, with the text words frequency [64].

After that, it was necessary to carry out a codification of the main concepts which could comprehensively describe the storytelling of the wineries. According to Bazeley [65], coding is a fundamental skill for qualitative analysis and a purposeful step to somewhere. In addition, it provides a means of access to evidence which can be useful to query data, for test assumptions and conclusions. At a descriptive level, naming a code provides a label that connects data to the idea, and from the idea to all the data pertaining to that idea [66].

In our case we decided to develop a codebook common to all three corpora and the choice fell on the text words contained in argumentative dimensions shown in Table 2.

3.3 Data collection

The analysis was based on the major Italian wineries selected using the AIDA database [67]. AIDA offers comprehensive information on the balance sheets of almost all the Italian companies operating in the private sector, enabling a search for individual companies, companies with similar profiles and facilitating detailed analyses. More specifically, dataset contains economic variables such as revenues, value-added, net profits but also additional information such as the address of the company's registered office, its website and a description of its main activity through ATECO 2007 classification¹.

Firstly, Italian companies operating in the beverages sector were selected and, subsequently, those with ATECO code 11.02.10 which identifies companies producing table wines and quality wines. In this way, it was possible to define three territorial contexts according to the legal headquarters of the companies (North, Center, South and Islands). A website availability criterion was subsequently added to the search eliminating those without website. The resulting companies were sorted in decreasing order of 2019 balance sheet revenues, considering successively the first 30 companies for each territorial context.

¹ This classification is the Italian version of the European nomenclature published in the Official Journal of 20 December 2006 (Regulation (EC) no 1893/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 December 2006).

	North				Center			South and Islands				
Type of company	No.	Avg. No. of employees	Revenues (€/ mil)		No.	Avg. No. of	Revenues (€/ mil)		No.		Revenues (€/mil)	
			min	max		employees -	min	max		employees -	min	max
Public Limited Company (Plc)	14	103	37,90	227,21	4	47	4,67	202,80	5	41	5,96	44,29
Private Limited Company (Ltd)	12	96	32,71	90,08	18	24	1,80	114,22	11	38	4,91	15,34
Cooperative	4	103	45,48	237,18	8	16	1,71	25,92	14	39	4,83	18,78
Total	30	100,66	32,71	237,18	30	29	1,71	114,22	30	39,33	4,83	44,29

Table 3. Descriptive statistics of the wineries selected by geographical area – AIDA database.

With increasing globalization, firms need to build a global marketing strategy to reach customers around the world, and the translation of website contents plays a crucial role in the effectiveness of communication strategies. The dominance of English as a *lingua franca* in international business exchanges is commonly accepted [68], and for this reason, the sample was built with the first thirty companies which had the English version of their website for each area.

Table 3 summarizes the main descriptive characteristics of the sample, from which it is possible to identify the differences among the selected companies in the various areas.

Data shows how in the North there is a clear predominance of more formalized public companies (Plc) with the highest level of revenues compared to those in the Central part of the country, where private companies (Ltd) prevail, and in the South, where cooperatives are predominant.

From a territorial point of view, the Veneto region holds more than 50% of the companies in the North, followed by Tuscany (14) and Marche (10) in the Central regions and in Southern Italy by Puglia (8). In four regions, Liguria, Trentino Alto Adige, Friuli Venezia-Giulia and Molise, no companies matched the selected search criteria (Figure 1).

Once the companies were selected, the websites of each of them was visited. A database was therefore created containing over 270 section titles which explained the narrative adopted by each individual company, and the related content.

4. RESULTS

This investigation allows us to highlight how wine production has a completely different pattern in the three areas considered. Northern Italy is characterized by medium and large enterprises, compared to the



Figure 1. Number of wineries selected by region – Performed in Microsoft Excel.

Center and the South, where less formalized enterprises prevail. This also reflects the reference market of the wineries examined. While those in the North are mostly internationalized with high levels of exports, in Central Italy and the South the reference market remains the national one [69].

The results demonstrate very different communication approaches among the areas. Thanks to the first analysis it was possible to identify the major argumentative dimensions which characterize the storytelling of Italian wineries (Figure 2).

While in the North more reference is made to history and production methods, in Central Italy the narrative focuses on the company and the quality of the wine. In the South however, the wineries mainly base

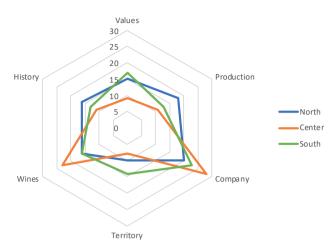


Figure 2. Frequency of wineries pages' title by argumentative dimensions.

their communication on the values and on the territory in which the wine is produced.

The examination of elements which characterize page contents made it possible to formulate three different word clouds referring to the three geographical areas examined. A set of stopwords [70,71] was developed to eliminate all insignificant words for the purpose of the investigation, such as pronouns, verbs, prepositions, conjunctions, spaces, punctuation, which were excluded from the analysis (Appendix A – Tab. A1).

In addition, to obtain meaningful word clouds, we decided to act on the width of the analysis by selecting minimum and a maximum threshold value. According to Xu et al. [72] and Bashri et al. [73] the determination of these values it is decided by the observer. In this case we decided to parameterize this value to the total number of words of each corpus. As regards the minimum value, 0.1% of the total number of words for each corpus has been chosen, while the maximum value was based on the maximum frequency reached by the first word not included in the stopword list. The result of this process is for the North a frequency between 37 and 18, for Central Italy between 34 and 228, and for South between 29 and 149. The word clouds are shown in Figures 3, 4 and 5. (More detailed information see Appendix A, tables A2-4)

As suggested by Sinclair and Cardew-Hall [74] and Viegas et al. [75], word clouds generated were the starting point for a more in-depth analysis focused on strategies adopted by wineries in the different areas considered.

The codification of the texts based on the words contained in the argumentative dimensions, allow us to extract all sentences which contained those words from the *corpus*.



Figure 3. Northern Italy wineries word cloud - Threshold values (min-max) 37-185 – Performed with ATLAS.TI software.



Figure 4. Center Italy wineries word cloud - Threshold values (minmax) 34-228 – Performed with ATLAS.TI software.



Figure 5. Southern Italy wineries word cloud - Threshold values (min-max) 29-149 – Performed with ATLAS.TI software.

Subsequently, the correspondences between the most commonly used words identified in the word clouds and the encoded sentences were analysed. This analysis was carried out in order to mine sample the most significant quotations in which all the codes that matched up to the

Table 4. Most significant quotation mined from corpus by area.

Area	Code	Quotations
North	"wine" AND "production" AND "quality"	Nero d'Avola organic wine 2017 is the first Italian organic wine whose production processes, thanks to Blockchain technology, have been fully tracked to guarantee quality, provenance and supply chain.
		The finest eastern Veneto production Bosco Viticultori is the reference key to place on foreign markets high quality bulk wine, produced directly in the nine wine cellars of the Group
		Active participation, independence, spirit of cooperation and experience are the values and the intrinsic characteristics of our members, thus guaranteeing the quality of the fruit and of the finished products, productivity and constant care for the consumer, that allow the cooperative to grow. To promote a healthy cooperation in order to achieve the best possible results with the grapes contributed by its members, passing the values and know-how of the wine growing on to the new generation while preserving the natural and environmental surroundings in the production areas.
Center	wine AIND production	Customer satisfaction is at the heart of our philosophy, and this is achieved through: - management and monitoring of the production chain in order to obtain high quality standards in all typologies of wine produced; - preservation of the typicality of all productions and exaltation of the local terroir in order to maintain its specific characteristics; - differentiation of characteristics of productions through constant research aimed at improving company processes.
		Complementing this is its system of total quality and hygiene supervision over every phase and place of production, assuring uncompromised wine stability and purity.
		For the first time in 26 generations, the winery inaugurated a new winery designed to welcome wine enthusiasts inviting them to come into direct contact with their production philosophy based on passion, patience and the continual pursuit of high quality.
		For many years, the most respected wine guides of Italy have been awarding the winery, praising the transparency and quality of its production.
South	"wine" AND "production AND "grapes"	The region boasts a great biodiversity from a viticultural point of view, producing both native and international grapes.
		Always focused on the production of quality wine products, over the years we have organized our traceability system: all stages of production are followed by our trusted employees, our farmers suppliers are followed in all stages of production of the vine and invited promptly to keep in order all the documentation concerning the treatment of the grapes, the appropriate production report and the correct declaration in the case of Igp - Dop grapes.
		With a capacity of 250,000 hectoliters in teel storage silos and reinforced concrete tanks, the company is one of the most important wineries in Southern Italy for the processing and wholesale of quality wine made from common grapes, PDO and IGP as well as concentrated musts certified for the production of very high quality vinegars.

most commonly used words for each area are present (Table 4).

These quotations were subsequently analysed to look for the correspondences with other codes. Figures 6, 7 and 8 show the results of the analyses in the top down graphs, in which it is possible to examine the differences in the storytelling that characterizes the communication of the wineries of the three areas considered.

5. DISCUSSION

The results of the analyses carried out demonstrate a very different approach in the communication strategies of the wineries of Northern, Central and Southern Italy. In general, communication strategies are based on different aspects, often neglecting the link existing between the quality of wines and the specific characteristics (nat-

ural, but also social and cultural) of their geographical area of origin, considered an essential element for the enhancement of wine productions [76–81].

Through textual analysis of each company's website, and in particular of titles pages, it emerged that, in all three areas, wineries "Company" webpage is a predominant characteristic of websites. Nevertheless the three areas differ from each other in terms of communication approaches (Figure 2). Northern Italy companies tend to focus on the production processes webpages, while Central Italy wineries give more attention to the description of wines quality. In the South wineries tend to describe values related to their productions.

The wordclouds allowed us to add an additional layer of analysis. If the terms Wine, Production, Quality and Grapes characterise the communication of wineries in the three areas, each of them has specific fea-

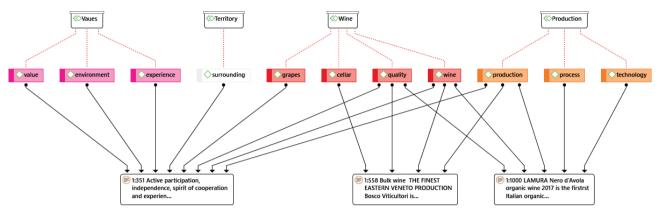


Figure 6. North Italy wineries communication strategy - Performed with ATLAS software.

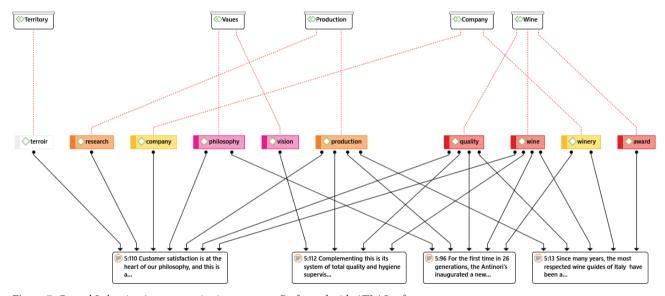


Figure 7. Central Italy wineries communication strategy - Performed with ATLAS software.

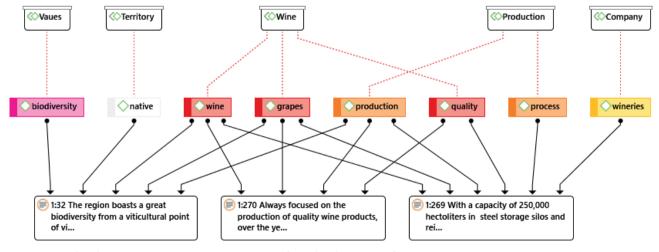


Figure 8. South Italy wineries communication strategy - Performed with ATLAS software.

tures. In the wineries of the North, the term Company stands out, associated with Group and Family (Fig. 3). This seems to be coherent with results shown in Table 3, which indicate a substantial equivalence, in this area, of Public Limited Companies (Plc) and Private Limited Companies (Ltd). In Central Italy, the presence of the term Family could be justified by the fact that here the wineries are mostly Ltd and family managed.

The value of Made in Italy emerges through the terms Italian and/or Italy in all areas considered, however with different modalities and levels of specification. If in the North there are no explicit references, in Central Italy there are more words linked to unequivocally Italian types of wine as Chianti, Sangiovese, Morellino, Verdicchio (Fig. 4), while in the South, also in this case, there is a constant reference to aspects linked to the territory (Land, Area, Territory) and the landscape element is leveraged (Fig. 5).

The world of wine is inextricably linked to the concept of time, which is expressed in various forms: the life cycle of the vine; the vegetative sub-cycle that leads to the ripening of the grapes; the production and aging phase in the cellar; and, for some wines, aging (Grainger and Tattersall, 2007). Not surprisingly, the term Years is a constant in all areas (Figures 3, 4, 5).

The Central and Southern word clouds also reveal a marked contrast between the present and the past, therefore between terms such as Today, and History, Tradition. In the North, on the other hand, there is an orientation towards the future, with terms like New and Innovation. This long-term vision is also accompanied by the communication of values related to sustainability (Environment, Sustainability) and internationalization (World, Market, International).

The use of argumentative dimensions, the mining of quotations and the identification of the most significant ones, allowed us to reconstruct a scheme of the communication strategies used in the three areas, systematising the differences characterising them. The strategies of Northern Italy (Fig. 6) appear less complex than those of Central and Southern Italy. In fact, in this area there are only 4 of the argumentative dimensions as identified in table 2, that is, values, territory, wine and production, while in the Center (Fig. 7) and in the South (Fig. 8), the "company" dimension is added to these.

However, the strategy of Northern Italy appears more detailed.

With regard to value argumentative dimension, it can be noted how in the North, aspects such as the environment and experience are given greater importance, while in the Center the values are declined in the philosophy and vision that characterise the production of wine. In the South, however, this aspect is declined only in the dimension of biodiversity.

The wine dimension, on the other hand, is communicated by focusing on different aspects, depending on the area considered. More attention is given to the types of grapes and cellars in the North and South, whereas in Central Italy more importance is paid to national and international awards won by wines.

From the point of view of production methods, in Northern and Southern Italy the aspects connected to production processes and technologies are predominant, whereas in Central Italy there is also evidence of research activities connected to the production.

Territory is the least important aspect in all three areas and it is declined differently. While in the North there is a clear reference to territory, in the Center the focus is on terroir. In the South, instead, the winery strategy heads towards the strong connection between wine and territory.

6. CONCLUSION

This work achieves the aim of adding the point of view of wineries in the broader context of wine communication. A detailed analysis of the major Italian wineries' communication strategies was carried out both from a formal and qualitative point of view, allowing us to have a clear picture of the elements which characterize the storytelling of wine companies. The application of text mining methodologies has allowed us to observe a substantial difference in strategies adopted by wineries in North, Central and Southern Italy, and such differences could be a starting point for future research on varying aspects, particularly those regarding the assessments on the effect that these strategies can have on the wine added value or on consumers' preferences [82].

In this regard, an aspect which needs to be examined further is undoubtedly the link with the different dimensions of sustainability, and in particular with the environment, which has been specifically mentioned only by the wineries of Northern Italy. For example, the use of organic farming techniques or the offer of products with low, or no, sulfite content are particularly relevant both for improving the quality of common goods (especially water and soil) at the level of specific territories, meeting the demand of consumers who are increasingly attentive to environmental and health protection [83–85], but who do not seem to be particularly present in the communication strategies of the sample of wineries considered.

Based on the result of this work, future studies could also analyse the evolution of these strategies in specific local contexts [86,87], or integrate the analysis through the application of text mining methodologies on additional wineries communication tools to evaluate characteristic elements in relation to tourism [88] or wine quality perceptions [89].

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APPENDIX A

 Table A1. Stopword list (extract).

Table A1. Stopword list (extract).							
a	doing	it's	that's	with			
about	don't	itself	the	won't			
above	down	i've	their	would			
actually	during	Largely	theirs	wouldn't			
after	each	let's	them	you			
again	effectively	more	themselves	you'd			
against	especially	moreover	then	you'll			
ahead	essentially	most	there	your			
all	estate	mustn't	Therefore	you're			
almost	extremely	my	there's	yours			
also	few	myself	these	yourself			
always	finally	no	they	yourselves			
am	for	nor	they'd	you've			
an	from	normally	they'll	punctuation			
and	further	not	they're	spaces			
any	generally	of	they've	numbers			
anyway	had	off	this				
are	hadn't	on	those				
aren't	has	once	through				
as	hasn't	only	to				
At	have	or	too				
be	haven't	other	under				
because	having	ought	until				
been	he	our	up				
before	he'd	ours	us				
being	he'll	ourselves	usually				
below	her	out	very				
Below	here	over	was				
between	here's	own	wasn't				
both	hers	primarily	we				
briefly	herself	profile	were				
but	he's	regularly	we're				
by	him	same	weren't				
can	himself	service	we've				
cannot	his	shan't	what				
can't	how	shareholder	what's				
carefully	however	she	when				
certainly	how's	she'd	when's				
clearly	i	she'll	where				
completely	i'd	she's	where's				
could	if	should	which				
couldn't	i'll	shouldn't	while				
currently	i'm	so	who				
did	in	some	whom				
didn't	into	Specially	who's				
Directly	is	Successfully	why				
do	isn't	such	why's				
does	it	than	Widely				
doesn't	its	that	wines				

Table A2. Northern Italy words frequencies.

Word	Frequency			
Stop words	> 185			
wine	185			
quality	144			
production	138			
company	92			
vineyards	72			
italian	60			
new	58			
family	55			
grapes	53			
world	53			
environmental	51			
area	50			
sustainability	49			
work	49			
international	48			
best	46			
years	45			
group	43			
land	42			
innovation	39			
market	39			
respect	38			
Stop words	< 37			

Table A3. Center Italy words frequencies.

Table A4. South Italy words frequencies.

Word	Frequency	Word	Frequency > 149	
Stop words	> 228	Stop words		
wine	228	wine	149	
production	115	production	110	
quality	111	grapes	89	
chianti	98	quality	68	
family	89	winery	65	
area	80	vineyards	61	
grapes	75	company	56	
years	68	area	55	
land	58	land	54	
scansano	54	territory	48	
vineyard	53	italy	44	
hectares	52	grape	40	
morellino	51	aglianico	39	
new	51	sea	39	
time	50	new	37	
history	49	today	37	
territory	48	vine	36	
today	47	tradition	35	
since	46	world	35	
world	41	years	35	
antinori	40	varieties	33	
cantina	40	vines	33	
classico	40	history	32	
sangiovese	37	us	32	
tradition	37	ancient	31	
ruffino	36	best	31	
located	35	cantina	31	
work	35	products	31	
year	35	time	30	
italy	34	unique	29	
verdicchio	34	Stop words	< 29	
Stop words	< 34			