

Skal Europe Congress 2021 Venice, 21st – 24th October 2021

Cultural & Social programme: Tour to discover the treasures of Venice

- 1. **The heart of Venice.** Walking tour from past to present visiting St. Mark's square, Scala del Bovolo, and Rialto area. An introduction of St. Mark's square and its monuments before going through narrow streets (calli) and small squares (campi). Visit the Scala Contarini del Bovolo, the external staircase of Palazzo Contarini del Bovolo, a hidden gem situated just a few minutes' walk from Rialto Bridge. This architectural masterpiece is renowned not only for its spiral shape, but also for the mix of Gothic, Byzantine and Renaissance styles. Then the famous La Fenice Theatre with its beautiful facade "Imperial" style. <u>Duration: 2</u> hours minimum 12 participants (morning or afternoon)
- 2. **Venetian Traditions: Gondola Ride.** Feel part of an ancient tradition and experience the city as Venetians did for more than a thousand year. Explore the maze of canals from your gondola while the gondolier steers the boat through the intricate and small waterways of Venice. A gondola tour does not have a fixed itinerary. The gondolier may change it depending on the tide and other factors that could affect the enjoyment of the gondola tour. <u>Duration: 30 minutes minimum 6 pax in one gondola (only in the afternoon)</u>
- 3. **Cannaregio and the Jewish Quarter**. A unique walk through the popular neighborhood of Cannaregio. This tour includes some monuments, palaces and churches in one of the ancient but richest area of the town: the famous Jewish ghetto. "ghetto" is a Venetian word meaning "foundry" because the Jewish quarter was built replacing a foundry. This name now means "Jewish District" all over the world. <u>Duration: 2 hours minimum 12 participants.</u> (morning or afternoon)
- 4. **Walking with Shylock**: An original walk with a venetian guide and ashakespearian actor. What would happen if you met Skylock in Venice and walked with him from Rialto to the Venetian Ancient Ghetto? Venice and the most famous scenes taken from "The Merchant of Venice" by William Shakespeare.Duration: 2 hours minimum 8 participants (only in the afternoon)
- 5. **Venice Native**: An historical walking tour to discover the origin of Venice in the area of San Nicolò Mendicoli Church, one of the oldest in Venice. The, the squero San Trovaso, one of the last shipyards where the beautiful *gondole* are built. And then along the fondamenta delle Zattere to enjoy the stunning view of the Canal facing the Giudecca island. <u>Duration: 2 hours minimum 8 participants (morning or afternoon)</u>.



- 6. **Discover Castello**: the district of Vivaldi and a homage to the Italian poet and writer, Dante Alighieri. The Church of Pietà and the institute of Pietà where the famous composer Antonio Vivaldi used to teach music. Furthermore, the campo Bragora and the heart of the Republic and the first industry of the world: the Arsenale: its shipyard. its construction, organization and importance mentioning also the great Italian poet Dante Alighieri. <u>Duration: 2 hours minimum 8 participants (morning or afternoon)</u>
- 7. **Hidden Venice**. A walk through the less known but still residential areas of the city. Walking guided tour through the typical Venetian atmospheres, along calli and little campo. In San Trovaso square there is an unusual wooden structure that is similar to the house of the local mountain area. This was an old dwelling for the workers of the squero, a small shipyard for making gondolas. It dates back to 17th century and since then it has always been in operation. The walk continues to Campo Santa Margherita, a picturesque campo surrounded by old 14th century palaces and the little church of Santa Margherita, which is today a University auditorium. Continue to San Rocco School located in the campo bearing the same name. It was founded in 1478 as a charitable institution. The present building was started in 1489 and finished in the 16th century It is famous for a series of paintings by Tintoretto that adorn the rooms. Duration: 2 hours minimum 12 participants (morning or afternoon)

Saturday 23rd October program for no-members and partners

Anniversary of the foundation of Venice - Walking tour.

Meeting point at 10.30 under the Blue Clock tower.

This year - 2021 - marks the 1600th anniversary of the foundation of Venice. In order to celebrate this important milestone, we have decided to kick start our walking tour telling you more about Venice's birthday and to discover the most important site of Serenissima. The tour will end in a typical trattoria very close St.Mark's Square . minimum 12 participants

or

Walking with Othello&Jago

The "one man show" divided in half: half Jago and half Othello. Walking tour that traces the Shakespeare's opera "Othello, the Moor of Venice". A special view of Venice, between different places and monologues and many emotions. Light lunch in a typical venetian osteria. minimum 8 participants



Cultural&Social Tours Rates

From proposal nr. 1 to nr. 7: euro 20,00 pr person The special tours for partners not attending to the General Assembly and nonmember on Saturday 23rd is euro 20,00 + Euro 20,00 including a light lunch in a typical Venetian Osteria.

We kindly ask you to indicate your first and a second choice tour, in case we cannot reach the minimum requested number of participants. Before your arrival in Venice w will inform you about your personalized Tour program.

Friday 22ndOctober		(Afternoon)
1° choice	Tour	
2° choice	Tour	
Saturday	23 rd October	(Morning) *** partners and non-members ***
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