CROSSROADS OF EUROPECultural and religious routes

Programme of the fair $6^{th} - 10^{th}$ June 2012

Wednesday, June 6

3pm - 5pm - PAVIA

Arrival of conference participants and hotel check in

6pm - PAVIA, PIAZZA DELLA VITTORIA

Welcome and Official Opening of the event

Historical and Artistic Presentation of Pavia, crossroad of pilgrimage and cultural routes

8pm - 9.30pm - PAVIA, BROLETTO

Cold Buffet for the participants courtesy of the Town Council of Pavia

9.30pm - PAVIA, PIAZZA DELLA VITTORIA

Musical Harmonies around the World

A concert of songs in European languages performed by the Institute of Musical Studies "F. Vittadini"

Thursday, June 7

"Cultural and Religious Routes"

Theatre "G. Fraschini" - Pavia

Programme of the Conference (Draft)

8:30 - 9:30

Registration and welcome coffee

9:30 - 9:45

Opening session

Mr. Alessandro Cattaneo, Mayor of Pavia

09:45 - 11:00

Session I – Cultural and Religious tourism: what is the added value that makes it so attractive, on the demand and the offer side?

The focus will be on both the demand and offer side of cultural and religious tourism. The aim is to show where is the added value of investing in transnational thematic tourism products, what are the motivations behind the demand for this "niche" tourism model and what are the reasons driving the offer.

Keynote speeches

- "Cultural tourism and local development", Mr. Greg Richards, Tourism Research and Marketing
- "The Green Band and citizenship", Mr. Antoine Selosse, European Cultural Route of St. Martin of Tours
- "Landscape and the Casa Dei sites", Mr. Robert Flauraud, President of the Casa-Dei European Network
- "Historic Hotels: a new way to discover cultural routes", Mr. Jan Edshage, Chairman of the Historic Hotels of Europe
- "Danube Cultural Routes", Mr. Boris Camernik, General Secretary of the Danube Competence Centre (TBC)

11:00-11:30 Coffee break

11:30-12:30

Session II – Cultural tourism: Good practices, innovations and public-private partnerships opportunities

The aim is to showcase some example of successful public-private partnership or good innovative practices with a view to disseminate knowledge, raise awareness about the opportunities of collaborations and investments.

Keynote speeches

- "TripAdvisor and the Silk Road experience", Ms. Helena Egan, Trip Advisor
- "Youth hostels project", Ms. Luciana Ruffinelli, Regional Minister for Sport and Youths, Regione Lombardia
- "Sustainable tourism and public-private partnerships along the Via Francigena: the PerViam project", Mr. Massimo Tedeschi, President of European Association Vie Francigene
- "Odyssea: a platform for cultural routes", Mr. Philip Calamel, Project Director of Odyssea
- " Augmented Reality Windows, Clunypedia and Cultural Routes: the experience of Cluny", Mr. Christophe Voros, Director of the Federation of Cluniac Sites

1230-14.30 - Castle 'Visconteo'

Networking Lunch and Opening of the Exposition on cultural routes

14:30-15:30

Session III – Transnational thematic tourism and accessibility

The focus will be the work being done at International and European level, but also at project-level, on guaranteeing the accessibility of tourism products and services to all.

Keynote speeches

- "The index on accessibility of the Commission", Mr. Paolo Berro, Advisor to Vice President Tajani, European Commission
- "Tourism and accessibility", Ms. Antonella Correra, European Commission
- "Working to make tourism accessible to all", Ms. Annagrazia Laura, Member of the board of the European Network for Accessible Tourism (ENAT)- "Accessible Pilgrimage Route: The Way of Saint James in Catalonia", Catalunya Tourism (TBC)
- "Accessible greenways", Ms. Mercedes Muñoz, Director of European Greenways Association

15:30-16:00 Coffee break

16:00-17:30

Session IV – Transnational thematic tourism: a multi-level governance approach

The aim is to present the contribution of cultural tourism to regional development, businesses and job growth, innovation, but also to intercultural dialogue and heritage preservation and promotion. These aspects need to be understood in a multi-level governance approach analysing how different International, national and regional policies interact when it comes to transnational products.

Keynote speeches

- "The European Parliament's vision on cultural tourism", Mr. Carlo Fidanza, Member of European Parliament, Transport and Tourism Committee
- "The religious dimension of intercultural dialogue", Ms. Anne Brasseur, Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe
- "European Cultural Routes: much more than tourism", Ms. Penelope Denu, Director of the European Institute of Cultural Routes

- "The experience of the Italian Consulta degli itinerari storici, culturali e religiosi", Ms. Simonetta Bonito, Italian Ministry for Culture
- "The Masterplan of Regione Toscana", Ms. Cristina Scaletti, Regional Minister for Tourism, Culture and Tertiary Sector, Toscany Region (TBC)
- Gianmarco Centinaio, Deputy Mayor of Pavia

17:30-18. 00 Concluding session

Piero Gnudi, Italian Minister for Tourism Antonio Tajani, Vice President of the European Commission

Friday, June 8

WORKSHOPS / SEMINARS / "INFO SESSIONS" Programme (Draft)

9:30 - 11.00 - UNIVERSITY OF PAVIA

1. Cultural tourism, research and innovation

- "Joint Programming Initiative on Cultural Heritage and Global Change" Italian Ministry for Culture (TBC)
- "Tourism policies and service innovation", Allan Mayo, EPISIS
- "ICT and accessible tourism: The Satellite's Way", Enrique Varela Couceiro, President of the Fundacion Tecnologia Social
- Presentation of the project "CULT-WAyS Cultural tourism and mobile applications", Giovanna Sonda, Trentino Sviluppo
- "TechTour: innovative solutions for tourism", Brunella Santi, Unioncamere Veneto
- Presentation of the project "LIMES Innovative and Mobile European Services for Culture Tourism in Rural Areas", ", Mr. Manfred Schrenk, Managing Director CEIT ALANOVA

11:00 - 13:00 - UNIVERSITY OF PAVIA

2. "Info session" on Thematic-Tourism Routes

The idea is a session of awareness-raising where different thematic transnational routes can be presented. This session aims at stimulating the interest businesses and present stakeholders and arrange in the afternoon separate meetings among interested cultural routes and tourism industry stakeholders.

Presentation of the following Routes: Iter Vitis, Mozart Ways, Phoenician's Route, Prehistoric Rock Art Trail, Thermal heritage and thermal towns, Transromanica, the Route of Cistercian Abbeys, St. James Way, Saint Augustine

13:00- 14:30 - SPACE FOR CONTEMPORARY ARTS OF BROLETTO

Light lunch and official opening (from 14:00 on) of the Photography's Exhibition "On the Way" (Organised by Musei Civici di Pavia, in collaboration with GAI). The exhibition will stay open to the public Saturday and Sunday from 16 to 20.

15:00 - 17:00 - CASTLE "VISCONTEO"

BILATERAL MEETINGS between Cultural Routes and tourism industry stakeholders (at the stands in the castle "Visconteo" of Pavia)

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- 3. Cultural tourism: the importance of public-private partnerships in order to boost regional development. Lessons learned and the structural funds after 2014.
 - Regions and other key stakeholders (Chambers of Commerce, business associations, etc.) present their views on the next programming period of structural funds 2014-2020.
 - Question and Answers session with DG Agriculture /DG Enterprise and Industry (European Commission) officials

16:00 - 17:00 - UNIVERSITY OF PAVIA

4. "European Commission – Council of Europe: which results from their cooperation on European Cultural Routes?" (co-organised with the CoE)

The aim is to present the results of 2 years of cooperation between the 2 Institutions and present the next training program on Cultural Routes, the membership "Charter", etc.

Presentations by:

- Ms. Penelope Denu, Director of the European Institute of Cultural Routes
- Valentino Izzo, DG Enterprise and Industry of the European Commission

From Thursday 7th to Sunday 10th June

Daily - CASTLE "VISCONTEO" From 13:00 to 17:00 on Thursday from 09:30 to 17:00 on Friday and Saturday From 09:30 to 12:30 on Sunday

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ADDITIONAL MEETINGS

Thursday, 7th June 14:30 – 17:30 – UNIVERSITY OF PAVIA

Meeting of the Europe Enterprise Network (EEN) - Sector Group "Tourism and Cultural Heritage"

Friday, 8th June
TBD – UNIVERSITY OF PAVIA
Meeting of the NECSTouR Working Group on Cultural Routes (TBC)

17:00 – 18:00 – UNIVERSITY OF PAVIA Coordination meeting of European Networks active in the field of Tourism

Saturday 9th June

11:30

Presentation of the magazine: "Via Francigena and the pilgrimage ways", tasting of Parmigiano Reggiano and aperitif kindly offered by the European Association Vie Francigene and the Municipality of S. Martino Siccomario.

15:00– BROLETTO

Via Francigena General Assembly and official ceremony of signature of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Municipality of Pavia.

EXHIBITIONS AND FRINGE EVENTS

From Friday 8th to Sunday 17th June - PAVIA, SPAZIO PER LE ARTI CONTEMPORANEE DEL BROLETTO

"On the Way" - Video&Photo Contest

Photographic Exhibition, open daily from from 5 pm to 8 pm

Organised by Musei Civici di Pavia, in collaboration with GAI

Opening Ceremony Friday June, 8 at 13.00am

Saturday 9th June

10:30 - meeting place IAT - Pavia Tourism Office, PIAZZA DELLA VITTORIA **Guided tour** "From Pavia to San Martino Siccomario: Walking along the Via Francigena and Sancti Martini path" in collaboration with the Municipality of S. Martino Siccomario

Participation is FREE. BOOKING REQUIRED!

For information and reservations please contact Mr. Valentino Izzo and Ms. Cinzia De Marzo, European Commission: (valentino.izzo@ec.europa.eu; Cinzia.de-marzo@ec.europa.eu)

Sunday 10th June

8.30 - 17.30 - Meeting at PIAZZA CASTELLO

Guided tour "Alla scoperta dei luoghi della fede nel Lodigiano"

Tour in English and Italian along the Via Francigena and Santa Francesca Cabrini in the territory of the Province of Lodi, kindly offered by the Provincial Authority.

Participation is FREE. BOOKING REQUIRED!

For information and reservations:

Agenzia di Viaggio Laus Cultura e Turismo (Tel. 0371/544690; email: info@lausct.it)